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BOARD OF EXAMINERS UPDATE
Rules Review Update

Goals
• Unclear
• Takes too long
• Too complex
• Complicated processes
• Better aligned with NCEES Model Rules/Law

Why?

Typical Process
• Board determines proposed changes
• Stakeholder review/comment
• Public hearing
• ARRC review
• Changes take effect

Results To-Date
Rules - 34 changes: Iowa Code -1 change
• Computer-based testing
• FE exam exemption – 25 to 10 yr. experience
• Practical experience – surveying
• Surveying definitions
• Ethics (2 hr.) - continuing education
• Peer review committee
• Comity and exam application process
Next Rule Change Considerations
(Surveying)

- Definitions: field experience, basis of bearing, NOA reference, acquiescence
- 24 hour education requirement
- State-specific exam
- Note: national task force recommendations

Next Rule Change Considerations
(Not Prioritized)

- Align building matrix
- Experience credit for advanced degrees
- Reciprocity for continuing education
- Leverage Model Law professional status
- Look at international accords

Next Rule Change Considerations
(Not Prioritized)

- Consider developing FAQs
- Technology degree pathways
- Decoupling
- Improving mobility among regional boards