NITIJELA OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS

22ND CONSTITUTIONAL REGULAR SESSION, 2001

BILL NO. 61

An Act

To amend the Land Surveyors Registration Act, to reconstitute the Board of Land Surveyor Examiners, and streamline the qualifications and procedures for registration as a land surveyor in the Republic, and for connected purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NITIJELA OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS:

Section 1. Short Title.

This Act may be cited as Land Surveyors Registration (Amendment) Act, 2001

Section 2. Amendments.

(A) Section 309 of the Land Surveyors Registration Act, 19 MIRC, Chapter 3, as amended ("the principal Act"), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Section 309. Establishment and composition of the Board.

(1) There is hereby established a Board of Land Surveyor Examiners ("the Board") which shall consist of five (5) members appointed by the Cabinet. The Cabinet shall designate one of the members as Chairperson of the Board.

(2) Each member of the Board shall serve for a term of two (2) years, subject to renewal to such further term as the Cabinet may determine.

(3) Four of the members of the Board shall be qualified and experienced professionals in civil engineering, land surveying, architecture, or related fields, such as geology or geography. At least one of the members of the Board shall be a registered land surveyor in the Republic."
(4) In the absence or unavailability of a registered land surveyor who is a citizen of the Republic and ordinarily resident in the Republic, or a non-citizen who is domiciled or ordinarily resident in the Republic, to serve on the Board, the Cabinet may appoint a registered land surveyor from another country to serve on the Board for such term as the Cabinet may determine”.

(B) Section 320 of the principal Act is amended to read as follows:

"320. Qualifications for registration as a land surveyor.

The following shall be considered as minimum evidence that the applicant is qualified for registration as a land surveyor:

(a) graduation from a two-year land surveying course from a university, college, institute or school approved by the Board as of satisfactory standing, and an additional one year of experience under the direct supervision of a registered land surveyor.

The one year of experience shall be clearly demonstrated to satisfy the Board that the applicant is professionally qualified and competent. The applicant must also pass any examination prescribed by the Board.

(b) Graduation from a four-year civil engineering or physical science course from a university, college, institute, or school approved by the Board as of satisfactory standing, and an additional two years of experience in land surveying under the direct supervision of a registered land surveyor. The two years of experience shall be clearly demonstrated to satisfy the Board that the applicant is professionally qualified and competent.

The applicant must also pass any examination prescribed by the Board."
(c) Six years of experience in land surveying under the direct supervision of a registered land surveyor. The six (6) years of experience shall be clearly demonstrated to the Board to satisfy the Board that the applicant is professionally qualified and competent. The applicant must also pass any examination prescribed by the Board."

Certificate

I hereby certify:

(1) that the Nitijela Bill No. 61 has been passed by the Nitijela of the Marshall Islands on the 14th day of October, 2001; and

(2) that I am satisfied that Nitijela Bill No. 61 has been passed in accordance with the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Rules of the Nitijela.

I hereby place my signature before the Clerk of the Nitijela this 15th day of October, 2001.

Attest:

Litokwa Tomeing, Speaker
Nitijela of the Marshall Islands

Joe E. Riklon, Clerk
Nitijela of the Marshall Islands