

By: Representative Read

To: Oil, Gas and Other  
Minerals

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1369

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 73-63-37, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO REVISE THE RE-REGISTRATION FEES FOR REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL  
3 GEOLOGISTS; TO AMEND SECTION 73-63-57, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
4 TO EXTEND THE REPEAL DATE OF TITLE 73, CHAPTER 63, MISSISSIPPI  
5 CODE OF 1972, FOR AN ADDITIONAL TEN YEARS; AND FOR RELATED  
6 PURPOSES.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

8 **SECTION 1.** Section 73-63-37, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
9 amended as follows:

10 73-63-37. (1) The board shall establish, by rule,  
11 application fees which shall not exceed One Hundred Dollars  
12 (\$100.00) for application for registration and Fifty Dollars  
13 (\$50.00) for application for enrollment.

14 (2) In addition to the application fee required under  
15 subsection (1) of this section, an applicant shall pay an  
16 examination fee before taking the applicable examination. The  
17 board shall set a reasonable examination fee for each examination  
18 administered by the board to defer the actual cost of the  
19 examination.

20 (3) The board shall establish, by rule, registration fees  
21 which shall not exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) annually for  
22 registration as a registered professional geologist and One  
23 Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) biennially for enrollment as a  
24 geologist-in-training.

25 (4) The board shall establish, by rule, fees for the renewal  
26 and reissuance of a certificate of registration or certificate of  
27 enrollment.

28 **SECTION 2.** Section 73-63-57, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
29 amended as follows:

30           73-63-57. Sections 73-63-1 through 73-63-55, which create  
31 the Board of Registered Professional Geologists and prescribe its  
32 powers and duties, shall stand repealed on December 31, 2017.

33           **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
34 and after July 1, 2006.