

TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

Policy Statement

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Title: *Policy Advisory Opinion Review*

Subject: *PAO Review Policy*

Replaces: *none*

Policy Determination:

Within 180 days of the end of every Regular Session of the Texas Legislature, the Board staff shall review all Board Policy Advisory Opinions to ensure such PAOs are current, necessary, and adhere to existing statute and rules. The results of that review will be presented to Policy Advisory Opinion Committee and/or the Board at the next available date.

Background and reason(s) for policy interpretation:

Beginning on September 1, 2003, the Legislature, by Board statute, authorized the agency to create Policy Advisory Opinions (PAOs). These PAOs were intended to describe or answer, and provide specific written response to, interpretations of the Board Rules or a scenario related to the practice of engineering. Since that date, a number of PAOs have been generated and approved by the Board; but, only in a few instances have the approved PAOs been revisited for accuracy and validity.

Review of Policy Advisories should occur on a regular basis similar to the 4-year review of existing rules.

Applicable Rules:

Board Rules: Subchapter G; §131.101 - §131.111

Statutory Authority:

Subchapter M.; §1001.601, §1001.602, §1001.603, and §1001.604.

Other References:

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