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To: Senate Committee of Reference Members

RE: Arizona Board of Technical Registration (BTR) Sunset Review

In the interest of public safety, APLS strongly urges the Senate Committee of Reference consider an exemption for the professions of Land Surveying, Engineering, Geology, Architecture, and Landscape Architecture from the Arizona Board of Technical Registration Sunset Review recommendation to relax licensing restrictions.

While we fully support multiple paths to licensure, it is critical to ensure the competence of highly complex and technical professions like land surveying, engineering, geology, and architecture. Diluting licensure requirements for these technical fields poses a significant risk to the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

It's essential to recognize the critical distinction between ordinary occupations and technical professions that are responsible for maintaining the integrity of our infrastructure, public spaces, and property rights. Therefore, to safeguard life, health, and property rights, as well as to ensure public welfare, we strongly urge you to uphold the current high-quality licensing practices implemented by the Arizona Board of Technical Registration for the professions of land surveying, engineering, geology, architecture, and landscape architecture.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read 'John A. Luckow'. The signature is fluid and cursive.

John Luckow, RLS
APLS President