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- B. Encourages the establishment of uniform laws as being in the public interest;
- C. Recommends that there be a minimum of restrictions of a legal nature in the functioning of qualified engineers;
- D. Offers advice and assistance to Boards of Engineering Examiners and similar agencies;
- E. Recommends that, upon request, committees of IEEE members cooperate with appropriate agencies in the development of sound registration examinations which will adequately protect the public interest.

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