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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Maryland Elevator Mechanics Act

3 FOR the purpose of requiring certain individuals to be licensed as elevator mechanics

4 or apprentice elevator mechanics before performing certain elevator

5 installation, repair, or maintenance work; establishing the State Board of

6 Elevator Mechanics in the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation;

7 providing for the composition, appointment, terms, compensation, and removal

8 of Board members; providing for the election of officers and the quorum of the

9 Board; establishing certain powers and duties of the Board; establishing the

10 Elevator Mechanics Fund; requiring that the Elevator Mechanics Fund be used

only to pay for certain expenses of the Board; establishing certain licensing
 requirements; authorizing the Board to waive certain examination requirements

13 in certain circumstances; providing for the renewal of an elevator mechanic

14 license or an apprentice elevator mechanic license; establishing certain license

renewal requirements; requiring the Board to reinstate an elevator mechanic

16 license or an apprentice elevator mechanic license under certain circumstances;

17 authorizing the Board to deny a license to an applicant, refuse to renew a

18 license, reprimand a licensee, or suspend or revoke a license under certain

19 circumstances; establishing certain hearing and appeal procedures; requiring

20 that an elevator mechanic have certain insurance coverage when performing

21 elevator installation, repair, or maintenance work; prohibiting a building and

22 permits department of a county or municipal corporation from issuing a permit

23 for the installation, alteration, or repair of an elevator unless the permit

24 contains the license number of the elevator mechanic performing the work;

prohibiting an individual from performing certain activities unless the
 individual has a certain license; establishing certain penalties; defining certain

terms; providing for the termination of this Act; providing for the application of

this Act; providing for the delayed effective date of this Act; and generally

29 relating to the licensing of elevator mechanics.

30 BY adding to

- 31 Article Business Occupations and Professions
- 32 Section 21-101 through 21-702, inclusive, to be under the new title "Title 21.
- 33 Elevator Mechanics"
- 34 Annotated Code of Maryland

HOUSE BILL 1392 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement) SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 3 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: **Article - Business Occupations and Professions** TITLE 21. ELEVATOR MECHANICS. SUBTITLE 1. DEFINITIONS: GENERAL PROVISIONS. 7 21-101. (A) IN THIS TITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(B) 10 (C) "ELEVATOR" MEANS AN ELEVATOR, LIFT, DUMBWAITER, ESCALATOR, (1)

11 MOVING WALK, OR SIMILAR MACHINE THAT IS USED TO HOIST OR CONVEY 12 INDIVIDUALS OR MATERIALS.

"BOARD" MEANS THE STATE BOARD OF ELEVATOR MECHANICS.

"ELEVATOR" DOES NOT INCLUDE A TEMPORARY MACHINE USED FOR 13 (2)14 HOISTING MATERIALS IN CONNECTION WITH A CONSTRUCTION PROJECT.

"ELEVATOR INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE WORK" MEANS 15 (D) 16 THE CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, ALTERATION, MAINTENANCE, OR REPAIR OF 17 ELEVATORS.

"LICENSE" MEANS A LICENSE ISSUED BY THE BOARD TO AN (E) 18 (1)19 INDIVIDUAL TO PERFORM ELEVATOR INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE 20 WORK OR TO ASSIST IN PERFORMING ELEVATOR INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR 21 MAINTENANCE WORK.

22 "LICENSE" INCLUDES: (2)

23 (I) AN ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE; AND

24 (II) AN APPRENTICE ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE.

25 "LICENSED APPRENTICE" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS LICENSED BY (F) 26 THE BOARD TO ASSIST IN PERFORMING ELEVATOR INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR 27 MAINTENANCE WORK WHILE UNDER THE DIRECTION AND CONTROL OF A LICENSED 28 ELEVATOR MECHANIC.

"LICENSED ELEVATOR MECHANIC" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS 29 (G) 30 LICENSED BY THE BOARD TO PERFORM ELEVATOR INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR 31 MAINTENANCE WORK.

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	REPAIR, AI	ND MAI	F THE STATE IS TO REGULATE INDIVIDUALS WHO INSTALL, ITAIN ELEVATORS, AND TO SAFEGUARD THE SAFETY, HEALTH, AND OF THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE WHO USE ELEVATORS.
5			SUBTITLE 2. STATE BOARD OF ELEVATOR MECHANICS.
6	21-201.		
7	THERE	IS A ST	ATE BOARD OF ELEVATOR MECHANICS IN THE DEPARTMENT.
8	21-202.		
9	(A)	(1)	THE BOARD SHALL CONSIST OF 5 MEMBERS.
10		(2)	OF THE 5 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:
11			(I) 3 SHALL BE LICENSED ELEVATOR MECHANICS; AND
12			(II) 2 SHALL BE CONSUMER MEMBERS.
13 14	OF THE SE	(3) ECRETA	THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT THE MEMBERS WITH THE ADVICE Y AND SUBJECT TO THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE.
15	(B)	EACH	IEMBER OF THE BOARD SHALL BE:
16		(1)	A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES; AND
17		(2)	A RESIDENT OF THE STATE.
18	(C)	EACH	LEVATOR MECHANIC MEMBER OF THE BOARD SHALL:
19		(1)	BE AN ACTIVE ELEVATOR MECHANIC;
20 21	THIS TITL	(2) E; AND	HOLD A CURRENT ACTIVE ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE UNDER
			HAVE PERFORMED THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF AN ELEVATOR OT LESS THAN 5 CONSECUTIVE YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO DINTMENT TO THE BOARD.
25	(D)	EACH	CONSUMER MEMBER OF THE BOARD:
26		(1)	SHALL BE A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC;
27 28		(2) ION BY	MAY NOT BE A LICENSEE OR OTHERWISE BE SUBJECT TO THE BOARD; AND

(3) MAY NOT, WITHIN 1 YEAR BEFORE APPOINTMENT, HAVE HAD A
 FINANCIAL INTEREST IN OR RECEIVED COMPENSATION FROM A PERSON
 REGULATED BY THE BOARD.

4 (E) WHILE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD, A CONSUMER MEMBER MAY NOT:

5 (1) HAVE A FINANCIAL INTEREST IN OR RECEIVE COMPENSATION FROM 6 A PERSON REGULATED BY THE BOARD; OR

7 (2) GRADE ANY EXAMINATION GIVEN BY OR FOR THE BOARD.

8 (F) BEFORE TAKING OFFICE, EACH APPOINTEE TO THE BOARD SHALL TAKE 9 THE OATH REQUIRED BY ARTICLE I, § 9 OF THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION.

10 (G) (1) THE TERM OF A MEMBER IS 3 YEARS AND BEGINS ON MAY 1.

11 (2) AT THE END OF A TERM, A MEMBER CONTINUES TO SERVE UNTIL A 12 SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.

(3) A MEMBER WHO IS APPOINTED AFTER A TERM HAS BEGUN SERVES
 ONLY FOR THE REST OF THE TERM AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND
 QUALIFIES.

16 (4) BOARD MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT, BUT MAY17 NOT SERVE MORE THAN TWO CONSECUTIVE TERMS.

18 (H) THE GOVERNOR MAY REMOVE A MEMBER FOR INCOMPETENCE,19 MISCONDUCT, NEGLECT OF DUTY, OR OTHER GOOD CAUSE.

20 21-203.

21 (A) (1) FROM AMONG THE BOARD MEMBERS, THE GOVERNOR SHALL 22 APPOINT A CHAIRMAN.

23 (2) THE CHAIRMAN SERVES AT THE PLEASURE OF THE GOVERNOR.

24 (B) THE BOARD MAY ELECT ANY OTHER OFFICER THAT THE BOARD 25 CONSIDERS NECESSARY.

26 (C) EXCEPT FOR THE CHAIRMAN, THE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE:

27 (1) THE MANNER OF ELECTION OF OFFICERS;

28 (2) THE TERM OF OFFICE OF EACH OFFICER; AND

29 (3) THE DUTIES OF EACH OFFICER.

30 21-204.

31 (A) A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS THEN SERVING ON THE BOARD IS A 32 QUORUM.

1 (B) (1) THE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE THE TIMES AND PLACES OF ITS 2 MEETINGS.

3 (2) SPECIAL MEETINGS OF THE BOARD MAY BE HELD AS THE BOARD 4 PROVIDES IN ITS REGULATIONS.

5 (C) THE BOARD MAY EMPLOY A STAFF IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE 6 BUDGET.

7 (D) EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD IS ENTITLED TO:

8 (1) COMPENSATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE BUDGET; AND

9 (2) REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE STANDARD STATE 10 TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

11 21-205.

12 (A) THE BOARD MAY INVESTIGATE ANY COMPLAINT THAT ALLEGES FACTS 13 THAT CONSTITUTE A VIOLATION OF THIS TITLE.

14 (B) ON COMPLETION OF AN INVESTIGATION MADE UNDER THIS SECTION, THE
15 BOARD PROMPTLY SHALL TAKE ACTION THAT IS APPROPRIATE UNDER THIS TITLE
16 TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THIS TITLE.

17 (C) (1) IF THE BOARD CONCLUDES THAT ANY CONDUCT ALLEGED TO BE IN
18 VIOLATION OF THIS TITLE WILL RESULT IN HARM TO AN INDIVIDUAL OR PROPERTY,
19 THE BOARD MAY SEEK A PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY INJUNCTION WITH RESPECT
20 TO THE CONDUCT FROM THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE
21 ALLEGED VIOLATION OCCURRED.

22 (2) IN SEEKING AN INJUNCTION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE BOARD 23 IS NOT REQUIRED TO:

24 (I) POST BOND;

25 (II) ALLEGE OR PROVE THAT AN ADEQUATE REMEDY AT LAW DOES 26 NOT EXIST; OR

27 (III) ALLEGE OR PROVE THAT SUBSTANTIAL OR IRREPARABLE
28 DAMAGE WOULD RESULT FROM THE CONTINUED VIOLATION OF THE PROVISION.

29 21-206.

- 30 (A) IN ADDITION TO ANY POWERS SET FORTH ELSEWHERE, THE BOARD MAY:
- 31 (1) ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS TITLE; AND
- 32 (2) ADOPT AN OFFICIAL SEAL.
- 33 (B) IN ADDITION TO ANY DUTIES SET FORTH ELSEWHERE, THE BOARD SHALL:

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1		(1)	KEEP A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD;			
2		(2)	KEEP A LIST OF ALL LICENSEES;			
3		(3)	ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE; AND			
4 5	ELEVATOR	(4) R INSTA	ADOPT AND ENFORCE A CODE THAT SETS MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR LLATION, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE WORK.			
6	21-207.					
	(A) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE BOARD SHALL SET 8 REASONABLE FEES FOR THE APPLICATION, ISSUANCE, AND RENEWAL OF LICENSES 9 AND OTHER SERVICES.					
10 11	0 (B) THE FEES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE SET 1 TO APPROXIMATE THE DIRECT AND INDIRECT EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE BOARD.					
13	 12 (C) THE BOARD SHALL PAY MONEY COLLECTED UNDER THIS TITLE TO THE 13 COMPTROLLER, WHO SHALL DISTRIBUTE THE MONEY TO THE ELEVATOR 14 MECHANICS FUND. 					
15	i		SUBTITLE 3. ELEVATOR MECHANICS FUND.			
16 21-301.						
17	7 THERE IS AN ELEVATOR MECHANICS FUND.					

18 21-302.

19 (A) THE ELEVATOR MECHANICS FUND IS A CONTINUING, NONLAPSING FUND
20 AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT
21 ARTICLE.

(B) ANY UNSPENT PORTION OF THE ELEVATOR MECHANICS FUND MAY NOT
REVERT OR BE TRANSFERRED TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE, BUT SHALL
REMAIN IN THE ELEVATOR MECHANICS FUND TO BE USED FOR THE PURPOSES
SPECIFIED IN THIS TITLE.

26 (C) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS TITLE, NO OTHER STATE MONEY SHALL BE 27 USED TO SUPPORT THE ELEVATOR MECHANICS FUND.

28 (D) (1) A DESIGNEE OF THE SECRETARY SHALL ADMINISTER THE ELEVATOR 29 MECHANICS FUND.

30(2)MONEY IN THE ELEVATOR MECHANICS FUND MAY BE EXPENDED31FOR ANY LAWFUL PURPOSE AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS TITLE.

1 21-303.

THE ELEVATOR MECHANICS FUND SHALL BE USED ONLY TO PAY FOR THE ACTUAL DOCUMENTED DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS OF FULFILLING THE STATUTORY AND REGULATORY DUTIES OF THE BOARD.

5 21-304.

6 THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR SHALL AUDIT THE ACCOUNTS AND TRANSACTIONS
7 OF THE ELEVATOR MECHANICS FUND AS PROVIDED IN § 2-1220 OF THE STATE
8 GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

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SUBTITLE 4. LICENSING.

10 21-401.

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS TITLE, AN INDIVIDUAL SHALL BE
 LICENSED BY THE BOARD BEFORE AN INDIVIDUAL PERFORMS OR ASSISTS IN
 PERFORMING ELEVATOR INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE WORK IN THE
 STATE.

15 21-402.

16 (A) TO QUALIFY FOR A LICENSE, AN APPLICANT SHALL MEET THE 17 REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.

18 (B) AN APPLICANT FOR AN ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE SHALL:

(1) HAVE BEEN REGULARLY AND PRINCIPALLY EMPLOYED AS A
 LICENSED APPRENTICE FOR NOT LESS THAN 3,500 HOURS IN THE 2 YEARS PRIOR TO
 APPLICATION; AND

22 (2) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE, PASS AN
23 EXAMINATION GIVEN BY THE BOARD UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

24 (C) AN APPLICANT FOR AN APPRENTICE ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE 25 SHALL:

26 (1) BE AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE; AND

27 (2) HOLD A HIGH SCHOOL DEGREE OR ITS EQUIVALENT.

28 21-403.

29 AN APPLICANT FOR A LICENSE SHALL:

30 (1) SUBMIT TO THE BOARD AN APPLICATION ON THE FORM THAT THE 31 BOARD PROVIDES;

32 (2) SUBMIT TO THE BOARD ANY PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY THAT THE 33 BOARD REQUIRES; AND

1(3)PAY TO THE BOARD OR THE BOARD'S DESIGNEE AN APPLICATION2FEE SET BY THE BOARD.

3 21-404.

4 (A) AN APPLICANT WHO OTHERWISE QUALIFIES FOR A LICENSE IS ENTITLED 5 TO BE EXAMINED AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.

6 (B) THE BOARD PERIODICALLY SHALL GIVE EXAMINATIONS TO APPLICANTS 7 AT TIMES AND PLACES THAT THE BOARD DETERMINES.

8 (C) THE BOARD SHALL GIVE EACH QUALIFIED APPLICANT NOTICE OF THE 9 TIME AND PLACE OF EXAMINATION.

10 (D) THE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE THE CONTENT, SCOPE, AND PASSING 11 SCORE FOR EXAMINATIONS GIVEN UNDER THIS SECTION.

12 (E) (1) THE BOARD MAY USE A TESTING SERVICE TO ADMINISTER THE 13 EXAMINATIONS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION.

14 (2) IF THE BOARD USES A TESTING SERVICE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, 15 THE TESTING SERVICE, SUBJECT TO REQUIREMENTS SET BY THE BOARD, MAY:

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(I) SET THE TIMES AND PLACES OF THE EXAMINATIONS;

17 (II) PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TIMES AND PLACES OF 18 EXAMINATIONS TO THE APPLICANTS; AND

19(III)PROVIDE ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT THE BOARD MAY20REQUIRE THE TESTING SERVICE TO PROVIDE.

21 (F) THE BOARD OR A DESIGNEE OF THE BOARD SHALL PROVIDE TO THE 22 APPLICANT NOTICE OF THE APPLICANT'S EXAMINATION RESULT.

23 21-405.

(A) SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATIONS OF THIS SECTION, THE BOARD MAY WAIVE
THE EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBTITLE FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS
LICENSED TO PERFORM ELEVATOR INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE WORK
IN ANOTHER STATE OR A SUBDIVISION OF ANOTHER STATE.

28 (B) THE BOARD MAY GRANT A WAIVER UNDER THIS SECTION ONLY IF THE 29 APPLICANT:

30(1)PAYS TO THE BOARD THE APPROPRIATE APPLICATION FEE31REQUIRED BY § 21-403 OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

32 (2) PROVIDES ADEQUATE EVIDENCE THAT THE APPLICANT:

33 (I) MEETS THE QUALIFICATIONS OTHERWISE REQUIRED BY THIS34 SUBTITLE;

1 (II) HOLDS AN ACTIVE LICENSE IN GOOD STANDING IN THE OTHER 2 STATE OR SUBDIVISION THAT IS EQUIVALENT TO AN ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE 3 IN THIS STATE; AND

4 (III) BECAME LICENSED IN THE OTHER STATE OR SUBDIVISION
5 AFTER PASSING AN EXAMINATION THAT IS SIMILAR TO THE EXAMINATION FOR
6 WHICH THE APPLICANT IS SEEKING THE WAIVER.

7 (C) THE BOARD MAY GRANT A WAIVER ONLY IF THE STATE OR SUBDIVISION
8 IN WHICH THE APPLICANT IS LICENSED WAIVES THE EXAMINATION OF LICENSEES
9 OF THIS STATE TO A SIMILAR EXTENT AS THIS STATE WAIVES THE EXAMINATION
10 REQUIREMENTS FOR INDIVIDUALS LICENSED IN THAT STATE OR SUBDIVISION.

11 21-406.

12 THE BOARD SHALL ISSUE WITHOUT EXAMINATION AN ELEVATOR MECHANIC 13 LICENSE TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO:

14 (1) HAS 5,250 WORKING HOURS OF EXPERIENCE PERFORMING
15 ELEVATOR INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE WORK OR EQUIVALENT
16 EXPERIENCE SATISFACTORY TO THE BOARD;

17 (2) FILES AN APPLICATION FOR THE LICENSE ON OR BEFORE 18 DECEMBER 31, 2001; AND

19(3)SUBMITS WITH THE APPLICATION THE REQUIRED FEE AND ANY20PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY REQUIRED BY THE BOARD.

21 21-407.

(A) IF AN APPLICANT QUALIFIES FOR A LICENSE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, THEBOARD SHALL SEND THE APPLICANT A NOTICE THAT STATES:

24 (1) THE APPLICANT HAS QUALIFIED FOR A LICENSE; AND

25 (2) ON RECEIPT OF A LICENSE FEE SET BY THE BOARD, THE BOARD
26 SHALL ISSUE A LICENSE TO THE APPLICANT.

27 (B) ON PAYMENT OF THE LICENSE FEE, THE BOARD SHALL ISSUE A LICENSE
28 TO EACH APPLICANT WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

29 21-408.

30 (A) WHILE AN ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE IS IN EFFECT, IT AUTHORIZES
31 THE LICENSEE TO PERFORM ELEVATOR INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE
32 WORK.

(B) WHILE AN APPRENTICE ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE IS IN EFFECT, IT
AUTHORIZES THE LICENSEE TO ASSIST IN PERFORMING ELEVATOR INSTALLATION,
REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE WORK ONLY UNDER THE DIRECTION AND CONTROL OF A
LICENSED ELEVATOR MECHANIC.

1 21-409.

2 (A) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE LICENSE IS
3 RENEWED FOR A 2-YEAR TERM AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, A LICENSE EXPIRES
4 ON THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF ITS EFFECTIVE DATE.

5 (B) THE SECRETARY MAY DETERMINE THAT LICENSES ISSUED UNDER THIS 6 SUBTITLE SHALL EXPIRE ON A STAGGERED BASIS.

7 (C) AT LEAST 1 MONTH BEFORE A LICENSE EXPIRES, THE BOARD SHALL MAIL 8 TO THE LICENSEE, AT THE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS OF THE LICENSEE:

9 (1) A RENEWAL APPLICATION FORM; AND

10 (2) A NOTICE THAT STATES:

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NOTICE THAT STATES:

(I) THE DATE ON WHICH THE CURRENT LICENSE EXPIRES;

(II) THE DATE BY WHICH THE BOARD MUST RECEIVE THE
 RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR THE RENEWAL TO BE ISSUED AND MAILED BEFORE THE
 LICENSE EXPIRES; AND

15 (III) THE AMOUNT OF THE RENEWAL FEE.

16(D)BEFORE THE LICENSE EXPIRES, THE LICENSEE PERIODICALLY MAY17RENEW THE LICENSE FOR AN ADDITIONAL 2-YEAR TERM IF THE LICENSEE:

18 (1) OTHERWISE IS ENTITLED TO BE LICENSED;

19 (2) PAYS TO THE BOARD A RENEWAL FEE SET BY THE BOARD; AND

20 (3) SUBMITS TO THE BOARD A RENEWAL APPLICATION ON THE FORM 21 THAT THE BOARD PROVIDES.

(E) THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO REQUIRE A DEMONSTRATION
OF CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCY FOR A LICENSEE AS A CONDITION OF
RENEWAL OF A LICENSE UNDER THIS SECTION.

(F) THE BOARD SHALL RENEW THE LICENSE OF AND ISSUE A RENEWAL
CERTIFICATE TO EACH LICENSEE WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS
SECTION.

28 21-410.

29 THE BOARD SHALL REINSTATE THE LICENSE OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS30 FAILED TO RENEW THE LICENSE FOR ANY REASON IF THE INDIVIDUAL:

31 (1) APPLIES TO THE BOARD FOR REINSTATEMENT WITHIN 2 YEARS
 32 AFTER THE LICENSE EXPIRES;

1(2)MEETS THE RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS OF § 21-409 OF THIS2SUBTITLE; AND

3 (3) PAYS TO THE BOARD A REINSTATEMENT FEE SET BY THE BOARD.

4 21-411.

5 (A) SUBJECT TO THE HEARING PROVISIONS OF § 21-412 OF THIS SUBTITLE,
6 THE BOARD MAY DENY A LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT, REFUSE TO RENEW A LICENSE,
7 REPRIMAND A LICENSEE, OR SUSPEND OR REVOKE A LICENSE IF THE BOARD FINDS
8 THAT THE APPLICANT OR LICENSEE:

9 (1) FRAUDULENTLY OR DECEPTIVELY OBTAINS OR ATTEMPTS TO 10 OBTAIN A LICENSE;

11 (2) TRANSFERS THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY THE LICENSE TO 12 ANOTHER PERSON;

13 (3) INSTALLS, REPAIRS, OR MAINTAINS AN ELEVATOR OR ASSISTS IN
14 THE INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE OF AN ELEVATOR IN A NEGLIGENT
15 OR CARELESS MANNER;

16 (4) IF THE LICENSEE IS A LICENSED APPRENTICE, INSTALLS, REPAIRS,
17 OR MAINTAINS AN ELEVATOR WITHOUT PROPER SUPERVISION FROM A LICENSED
18 ELEVATOR MECHANIC;

(5) WILLFULLY OR DELIBERATELY DISREGARDS AND VIOLATES
 BUILDING CODES, ELECTRICAL CODES, OR CONSTRUCTION LAWS OF THE STATE OR
 OF ANY COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE;

(6) UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY STATE, PLEADSGUILTY OR NOLO CONTENDERE TO OR IS CONVICTED OF:

24 (I) A FELONY; OR

(II) A MISDEMEANOR THAT IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE FITNESS
AND QUALIFICATION OF THE LICENSEE OR APPLICANT TO PERFORM ELEVATOR
INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE WORK;

28 (7) VIOLATES A PROVISION OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT ADOPTED BY 29 THE BOARD; OR

30 (8) FAILS IN ANY MATERIAL RESPECT TO COMPLY WITH THE 31 PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE.

(B) BEFORE DECIDING WHETHER TO DENY A LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT,
REFUSE TO RENEW A LICENSE, REPRIMAND A LICENSEE, OR SUSPEND OR REVOKE
THE LICENSE OF A LICENSEE WHO PLEADS GUILTY OR NOLO CONTENDERE TO OR IS
CONVICTED OF A FELONY OR MISDEMEANOR DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A)(6) OF
THIS SECTION, THE BOARD SHALL CONSIDER:

1 (1) THE NATURE OF THE CRIME;

2 (2) THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE CRIME TO THE ACTIVITIES AUTHORIZED 3 BY THE LICENSE;

4 (3) WITH RESPECT TO A FELONY, THE RELEVANCE OF THE PLEA OR
5 CONVICTION TO THE FITNESS AND QUALIFICATION OF THE APPLICANT OR
6 LICENSEE TO ACT AS AN ELEVATOR MECHANIC;

7 (4) THE LENGTH OF TIME SINCE THE PLEA OR CONVICTION; AND

8 (5) THE BEHAVIOR AND ACTIVITIES OF THE APPLICANT OR LICENSEE9 BEFORE AND AFTER THE PLEA OR CONVICTION.

10 21-412.

(A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE STATE
GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, BEFORE THE BOARD TAKES ANY FINAL ACTION UNDER §
21-411 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE BOARD SHALL GIVE THE INDIVIDUAL AGAINST WHOM
THE ACTION IS CONTEMPLATED AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING BEFORE THE
BOARD.

16 (B) THE BOARD SHALL GIVE NOTICE AND HOLD THE HEARING IN17 ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

18 (C) THE BOARD MAY ADMINISTER OATHS IN CONNECTION WITH ANY19 PROCEEDING UNDER THIS SECTION.

20 (D) (1) THE BOARD MAY ISSUE SUBPOENAS FOR THE ATTENDANCE OF 21 WITNESSES TO TESTIFY OR THE PRODUCTION OF EVIDENCE IN CONNECTION WITH 22 ANY PROCEEDING UNDER THIS SECTION.

(2) IF A PERSON FAILS TO COMPLY WITH A SUBPOENA ISSUED UNDER
THIS SUBSECTION, ON PETITION OF THE BOARD, A CIRCUIT COURT MAY COMPEL
COMPLIANCE WITH THE SUBPOENA.

26 (E) IF, AFTER DUE NOTICE, THE INDIVIDUAL AGAINST WHOM THE ACTION IS
27 CONTEMPLATED FAILS OR REFUSES TO APPEAR, NEVERTHELESS THE BOARD MAY
28 HEAR AND DETERMINE THE MATTER.

29 21-413.

ANY PERSON AGGRIEVED BY A FINAL DECISION OF THE BOARD IN A
CONTESTED CASE, AS DEFINED IN § 10-202 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE,
MAY TAKE AN APPEAL AS ALLOWED IN §§ 10-222 AND 10-223 OF THE STATE
GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

SUBTITLE 5. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

2 21-501.

3 (A) AN ELEVATOR MECHANIC MAY NOT PERFORM ELEVATOR INSTALLATION, 4 REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE WORK UNLESS THE WORK OF THE ELEVATOR MECHANIC, 5 INCLUDING COMPLETED OPERATIONS, IS COVERED BY:

6 (1) GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF AT LEAST 7 \$1,000,000; AND

8 (2) PROPERTY DAMAGE INSURANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF AT LEAST 9 \$300,000.

10 (B) THE INSURANCE REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION MAY BE BOUGHT:

11 (1) BY THE LICENSED ELEVATOR MECHANIC; OR

12 (2) BY THE EMPLOYER OF THE LICENSED ELEVATOR MECHANIC.

13 (C) A LICENSED APPRENTICE WHO IS EMPLOYED BY A LICENSED ELEVATOR
14 MECHANIC NEED NOT OBTAIN SEPARATE INSURANCE WHILE ASSISTING IN
15 PERFORMING ELEVATOR INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE WORK WHILE
16 UNDER THE CONTROL AND SUPERVISION OF THE LICENSED ELEVATOR MECHANIC.

17 (D) (1) AN APPLICANT FOR A LICENSE UNDER THIS TITLE SHALL SUBMIT
18 PROOF OF THE INSURANCE REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION TO THE BOARD WITH
19 THE LICENSE APPLICATION.

20 (2) UNLESS THE APPLICANT SUBMITS PROOF OF INSURANCE, THE
21 BOARD MAY NOT ISSUE ANY LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT TO WHOM THE INSURANCE
22 REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION APPLY.

(E) UNLESS A LICENSEE MEETS THE INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS
SECTION, THE BOARD MAY NOT RENEW THE LICENSE OF A LICENSEE TO WHOM THE
INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION APPLY.

26 (F) A LICENSED ELEVATOR MECHANIC SHALL GIVE THE BOARD NOTICE OF
27 THE CANCELLATION OF INSURANCE AT LEAST 10 DAYS BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE
28 DATE OF THE CANCELLATION.

29 21-502.

THE BUILDING AND PERMITS DEPARTMENT OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL
CORPORATION MAY NOT ISSUE A PERMIT FOR THE INSTALLATION, ALTERATION, OR
REPAIR OF AN ELEVATOR UNLESS THE PERMIT CONTAINS THE LICENSE NUMBER OF
THE ELEVATOR MECHANIC PERFORMING THE WORK.

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SUBTITLE 6. PROHIBITED ACTS; PENALTIES.

2 21-601.

3 (A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS TITLE, AN INDIVIDUAL MAY
4 NOT PERFORM, ATTEMPT TO PERFORM, OR OFFER TO PERFORM ELEVATOR
5 INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE WORK IN THE STATE UNLESS LICENSED
6 BY THE BOARD.

7 (B) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS TITLE, AN INDIVIDUAL MAY
8 NOT ASSIST, ATTEMPT TO ASSIST, OR OFFER TO ASSIST IN PERFORMING ELEVATOR
9 INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE WORK IN THE STATE UNLESS LICENSED
10 BY THE BOARD.

(C) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION (A) OR (B) OF THIS SECTION IS
 GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT
 EXCEEDING \$100 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 6 MONTHS OR BOTH FOR EACH
 DAY OR PART OF EACH DAY THAT THE VIOLATION CONTINUES.

15 (D) (1) IN ADDITION TO THE PENALTY SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (C) OF
16 THIS SECTION, THE BOARD MAY IMPOSE ON A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION
17 (A) OR (B) OF THIS SECTION A CIVIL PENALTY NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 FOR EACH
18 VIOLATION.

19(2)IN DETERMINING THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF A PENALTY20IMPOSED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE BOARD SHALL21CONSIDER:

22 (I) THE GRAVITY OF THE VIOLATION;

23 (II) THE GOOD FAITH OF THE VIOLATOR;

24 (III) THE QUANTITY AND GRAVITY OF PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS BY 25 THE SAME VIOLATOR;

26 (IV) THE HARM CAUSED TO THE COMPLAINANT, THE PUBLIC, AND 27 THE ELEVATOR MECHANIC PROFESSION;

28 (V) THE ASSETS OF THE VIOLATOR; AND

29(VI)ANY OTHER FACTORS THAT THE BOARD CONSIDERS RELEVANT.30 21-602.

31 ANY PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF

32 § 21-501 OF THIS TITLE IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND ON CONVICTION IS

33 SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 6

34 MONTHS OR BOTH.

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SUBTITLE 7. SHORT TITLE; TERMINATION OF TITLE.

2 21-701.

3 THIS TITLE MAY BE CITED AS THE "MARYLAND ELEVATOR MECHANICS ACT".

4 21-702.

SUBJECT TO THE EVALUATION AND REESTABLISHMENT PROVISIONS OF THE 5 6 MARYLAND PROGRAM EVALUATION ACT. THIS TITLE AND ALL REGULATIONS 7 ADOPTED UNDER THIS TITLE SHALL TERMINATE AND BE OF NO EFFECT AFTER JULY 8 1, 2011.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall supersede 10 any existing laws of any county or municipal corporation in the State of Maryland or 11 of the City of Baltimore regarding licensing of elevator mechanics.

12 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 13 June 1, 2001.