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CHAPTER

### 1 AN ACT concerning

## 2 Elevator Safety - Licensing of Elevator Contractors and Mechanics

- 3 FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions authorizing the Commissioner of
- 4 Labor and Industry to designate special elevator inspectors under certain
- 5 circumstances; requiring all certain elevator inspections in the State to be done
- 6 by a State inspector; establishing the Elevator Safety Review Board in the
- 7 Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; providing that the Board
- 8 exercises its powers, duties, and functions subject to the authority of the
- 9 <u>Secretary:</u> providing for the composition, appointment, terms, and compensation
- of Board members; establishing certain powers and duties of the Board;
- requiring certain persons to be licensed by the Board as elevator mechanics or
- 12 elevator contractors before performing certain work on elevators and certain
- other conveyances in the State; establishing certain education and experience
- requirements for elevator mechanics and elevator contractors; establishing
- certain licensing and license renewal requirements for elevator mechanics and
- 16 elevator contractors; establishing certain examination requirements for elevator
- mechanics; authorizing the Board to waive certain examination requirements in
- 18 certain circumstances; authorizing the Board to issue emergency elevator
- mechanic licenses and temporary elevator mechanic licenses under certain
- 20 circumstances; authorizing the Board to deny a license to an applicant, refuse to
- 21 renew a license, reprimand a licensee, suspend or revoke a license, or impose
- 22 certain penalties under certain circumstances; establishing certain hearing and
- 23 appeal procedures for elevator mechanics and elevator contractors; requiring
- 24 that an elevator contractor have certain insurance coverage; prohibiting certain
- 25 individuals from performing certain installation work, repair and maintenance;
- 26 providing certain penalties for certain violations; authorizing the Board to
- 27 impose certain penalties; providing certain criminal penalties; defining certain

- terms; and generally relating to elevator safety and the licensing of elevator
- 2 contractors and elevator mechanics.
- 3 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 4 Article 89 Miscellaneous Business, Work, and Safety Provisions
- 5 Section 49B
- 6 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 7 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
- 8 BY adding to
- 9 Article 89 Miscellaneous Business, Work, and Safety Provisions
- 10 Section 49C
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
- 13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 15 Article 89 Miscellaneous Business, Work, and Safety Provisions
- 16 <u>49B.</u>
- 17 (a) An elevator, dumbwaiter, escalator or moving walk may not be operated in
- 18 any building, structure, or place of employment in the State unless a certificate of
- 19 registration and inspection for the operation thereof is issued by the Commissioner of
- 20 Labor and Industry, and unless the certificate remains in effect and is kept posted
- 21 conspicuously in or on the elevator, dumbwaiter, escalator or moving walk.
- 22 (b) For the purposes of this section AND § 49C OF THIS SUBTITLE:
- 23 (1) "Elevator" means a hoisting or lowering machine equipped with a car
- 24 or platform which moves in guides in a substantially vertical direction and serves two
- 25 or more floors of a building or structure, and the term includes dumbwaiters,
- 26 escalators, and moving walks.
- 27 (2) "Dumbwaiter" means a hoisting and lowering mechanism equipped
- 28 with a car of limited capacity and size which moves in guides in a substantially
- 29 vertical direction and is used exclusively for carrying material.
- 30 (3) "Escalator" means a power driven, inclined, continuous stairway used
- 31 for raising and lowering passengers.
- 32 (4) "Moving walk" means a type of passenger-carrying device on which
- 33 passengers stand or walk and in which the passenger-carrying surface remains
- 34 parallel to its direction of motion and is uninterrupted.

- 1 (5) "Certificate" means a certificate of registration and inspection issued
- 2 by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to operate an elevator, dumbwaiter,
- 3 escalator and moving walk.
- 4 (6) "Place of employment" means any place an employee or employees 5 are suffered or permitted to work.
- 6 (7) "New elevator" means any elevator not classified as an existing
- 7 elevator or any existing elevator moved to a new location subsequent to January 1,
- 8 1975
- 9 "Existing elevator" means an elevator in which all work or
- 10 installation was completed prior to January 1, 1975.
- 11 (9) "Alteration" means any change made to an existing elevator other
- 12 than the repair or replacement of damaged, worn or broken parts necessary for
- 13 normal operation.
- 14 (10) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Labor and Industry or
- 15 his authorized representative.
- 16 (11) "REPAIR" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN THE AMERICAN NATIONAL
- 17 STANDARD SAFETY CODE FOR ELEVATORS, DUMBWAITERS, ESCALATORS, AND
- 18 MOVING WALKS.
- 19 (c) Within 60 days after January 1, 1975, the owner or lessee of every existing
- 20 elevator shall register with the Commissioner each elevator, dumbwaiter, escalator
- 21 and moving walk that it owns or operates, giving type, rating load and speed, name of
- 22 manufacturer, its location and the purpose for which it is used and any other
- 23 information the Commissioner may require. Registration shall be made on a form to
- 24 be furnished by the Commissioner. Elevators, dumbwaiters, escalators and moving
- 25 walks whose erection is begun subsequent to January 1, 1975, shall be registered
- 26 within ten days after they are completed and before placed in service.
- 27 (d) All new and existing elevators, dumbwaiters, escalators, and moving walks
- 28 shall be inspected, tested and maintained in a safe operating condition in accordance
- 29 with the American National Standard Safety Code for elevators, dumbwaiters,
- 30 escalators, and moving walks, known as ANSI A17.1-1971, and all subsequent
- 31 amendments and revisions to it, as adopted by the Commissioner, and any rules and
- 32 regulations as may be adopted by the Commissioner. However, any elevator,
- 33 dumbwaiter, escalator, and moving walk installed before July 1, 1955 may be used
- 34 without being altered or rebuilt to comply with the requirements of the ANSI Code, as
- 35 adopted by the Commissioner. However, all elevators shall be equipped with standard
- 36 hoistway entrance protection, and all passenger elevators of more than 100 feet per
- 37 minute contract speed shall be provided with car doors or gates which meet the
- 38 requirements of the ANSI Code A17.1-1971 and all subsequent amendments and
- 39 revisions to it, as adopted by the Commissioner. Notwithstanding the aforegoing, all
- 40 elevators, dumbwaiters, escalators, and moving walks installed before July 1, 1955
- 41 shall be maintained in a safe operating condition so as not to create a substantial

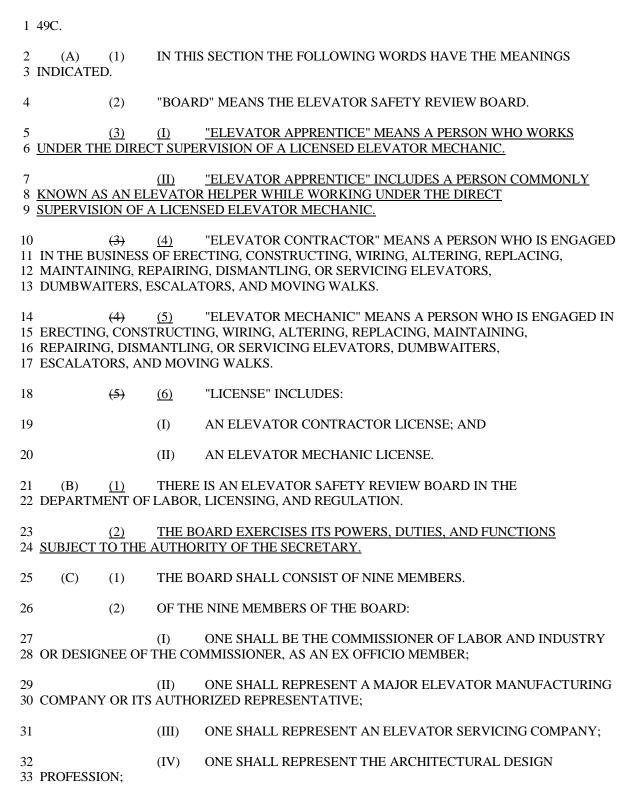
- 1 probability of serious physical harm or death and shall be subject to inspections and 2 tests as required.
- 3 All alterations and relocations of elevators, dumbwaiters, escalators, and
- 4 moving walks, installed subsequent to January 1, 1975, shall meet the requirements
- 5 of the ANSI Code A17.1-1971 and all subsequent amendments and revisions to it, as
- 6 adopted by the Commissioner.
- 7 (e) The Commissioner shall administer and enforce the provisions of this
- $8\,$  section and shall prescribe rules and regulations that conform generally to ANSI Code
- 9 A17.1-1971 and all subsequent amendments and revisions to it. If necessary to fulfill
- 10 the Commissioner's responsibilities under this section, the Commissioner shall adopt
- 11 regulations that amend standards set forth in ANSI Code A17.1-1971 and all
- 12 subsequent amendments and revisions to it, and prescribe other rules and
- 13 regulations. The rules and regulations shall be consistent with the requirements of
- 14 Article 83B, § 6-503 of the Code.
- 15 (f) When an inspection discloses that an elevator is in unsafe condition so that
- 16 its continued operation will violate any rule, regulation, standard or Code
- 17 promulgated and issued under this section, citation and penalties may be issued in
- 18 accordance with §§ 5-212 and 5-213 of the Labor and Employment Article.
- 19 (g) The Commissioner, upon written request, may grant exceptions from the
- 20 literal requirements or permit the use of other devices or methods than those
- 21 specified under ANSI Code A17.1-1971 and all subsequent amendments and
- 22 revisions to it, as adopted by the Commissioner, and rules and regulations adopted
- 23 where it is evident that action is necessary to prevent undue hardship or where
- 24 existing conditions prevent practical compliance and reasonable safety can in the
- 25 opinion of the Commissioner be secured.
- 26 (h) If after inspection or testing of any elevator, dumbwaiter, escalator or
- 27 moving walk the Commissioner or authorized representative of the Commissioner
- 28 determines that any elevator, dumbwaiter, escalator or moving walk is in violation of
- 29 any standard or safety code promulgated under this subtitle, and that there is a
- 30 substantial probability that death or serious physical harm could result from its
- 31 continued use, action shall be taken in accordance with § 5-210 of the Labor and
- 32 Employment Article.
- 33 (i) If an inspection discloses that an elevator, dumbwaiter, escalator, or
- 34 moving walk complies with the applicable safety code, as adopted by the
- 35 Commissioner, and the rules and regulations of the Commissioner, the Commissioner
- 36 shall issue to the owner or lessee thereof a certificate of registration and inspection.
- 37 The certificate shall be valid for not more than one year from date of issuance. The
- 38 certificate, when issued, shall be posted in or on the elevator, dumbwaiter, escalator,
- 39 or moving walk.
- 40 (j) The cost of administering this section is provided for under § 5-204 of the
- 41 Labor and Employment Article.

37 building.

**HOUSE BILL 1094** 1 (k) In addition to provisions enumerated in subsections (f) and (j) of this 2 section, §§ 5-205(j), 5-207, 5-214, 5-215, and 5-216 and Title 5, Subtitle 8 of the 3 Labor and Employment Article are applicable to this section. 4 The Commissioner may assign duties and functions imposed by this 5 section to the chief elevator inspector. 6 On request of an authorized insurer for elevators in the State, the (m) [(1)]7 Commissioner may designate, as a special elevator inspector, an employee of the 8 insurer who is qualified to inspect elevators. A special elevator inspector is not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses from the State. 10 (2) The Commissioner shall define, by regulation: 11 (i) The authority of a special elevator inspector; and 12 (ii) Procedures to report about an inspection to the Commissioner.] 13 ALL ELEVATOR INSPECTIONS IN THE STATE REQUIRED BY THIS SUBTITLE 14 SHALL BE DONE BY A STATE INSPECTOR. Notwithstanding any provisions of this section, the Commissioner shall 15 16 accept certificates of inspection from any political subdivision or municipal 17 corporation in lieu of certificates of registration and inspection as required by this 18 section. 19 (o) Nothing in this section may be construed to apply to any existing or new 20 elevator, escalator, moving walk or dumbwaiter installed in a privately owned 21 single-family residential dwelling. 22 Every passenger elevator in a permanent installation used by the public 23 shall have a sign reading "Warning - Elevators shall not be used in event of fire - Use 24 marked exit stairways" posted at the entrance to the elevator shaft on every floor. The 25 sign shall be posted directly above the call button. A similar sign shall be posted 26 within the elevator cabin. The tops of these signs shall not be more than 6 feet above the floor and the lettering in the word "warning" shall be at least three-eighths inch and the rest of the lettering shall be at least one-fourth inch. 29 Any new building constructed after July 1, 1985, in which at least (q) 30 one elevator is planned, shall have a passenger elevator that can accommodate a 31 horizontally carried and positioned 6 foot 8 inch rescue litter. 32 This subsection does not apply to one or two family dwellings or to 33 buildings under 3 stories. 34

For purposes of the subsection, repair, renovation, modification,

35 reconstruction, change of occupancy, and addition to an existing building as defined in 36 Article 83B, Title 6, Subtitle 5 of the Code may not be considered to constitute a new



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3			(VI)	ONE SHALL REPRESENT A BUILDING OWNER OR MANAGER;
4 5	INSTALLAT	TION, M.	(VII) AINTEN	ONE SHALL REPRESENT LABOR INVOLVED IN THE ANCE, AND REPAIR OF ELEVATORS; AND
6			(VIII)	TWO SHALL BE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC.
9		HE MEM	IBERS C	T FOR THE EX OFFICIO MEMBER, THE GOVERNOR SHALL OF THE BOARD WITH THE ADVICE OF THE SECRETARY OF REGULATION AND WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE
11 12	MEMBER I	(4) S 3 YEA	(I) RS.	EXCEPT FOR THE EX OFFICIO MEMBER, THE TERM OF A
13 14	UNTIL A SI	UCCESS	(II) OR IS A	AT THE END OF A TERM, A MEMBER CONTINUES TO SERVE PPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.
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18 19	(D) APPOINT A			AMONG THE BOARD MEMBERS, THE GOVERNOR SHALL
20 21	TIE VOTE.	(2)	THE CH	HAIRMAN SHALL BE THE DECIDING VOTE IN THE EVENT OF A
22	(E)	(1)	THE BO	OARD SHALL MEET:
23			<del>(I)</del>	REGULARLY QUARTERLY; AND
	LEAST ONG BOARD DE			AT OTHER TIMES AS NECESSARY THE BOARD SHALL MEET AT NDAR QUARTER, AT THE TIMES AND PLACES THAT THE
27 28	PROVIDES	(2) IN ITS F		L MEETINGS OF THE BOARD MAY BE HELD AS THE BOARD TIONS.
29		<del>(3)</del>	THE BO	OARD SHALL DETERMINE THE PLACES OF ITS MEETINGS.
30	(F)	A MEM	BER OF	THE BOARD:
31		(1)	MAY N	OT RECEIVE COMPENSATION; BUT
32 33	STANDARI	(-)		ITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE EL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

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1 (G) THE BOARD MAY CONSULT WITH ENGINEERING AUTHORITIES AND (1) 2 ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNED WITH STANDARD SAFETY CODES, CODES REGARDING: RULES, AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE OPERATION, 4 MAINTENANCE, SERVICING, CONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION, INSTALLATION, AND 5 INSPECTION OF ELEVATORS, DUMBWAITERS, ESCALATORS, AND MOVING WALKS, 6 WALKS; AND THE 7 QUALIFICATIONS THAT ARE ADEQUATE, REASONABLE, AND (II)8 NECESSARY FOR THE ELEVATOR MECHANIC AND ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR. THE BOARD MAY RECOMMEND THE AMENDMENTS OF APPLICABLE (2) 10 LEGISLATION, WHEN APPROPRIATE. 11 (I) THE BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH FEES FOR THE APPLICATION, 12 ISSUANCE, AND RENEWAL OF LICENSES ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION. THE FEES SHALL REFLECT THE ACTUAL COSTS AND EXPENSES 13 14 TO CONDUCT THE DUTIES OF THE BOARD AS DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION THE 15 TOTAL AMOUNT OF FEES IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH MAY NOT 16 EXCEED \$100 PER YEAR FOR AN ELEVATOR MECHANIC AND \$150 PER YEAR FOR AN 17 ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR, WHICH MAY BE COLLECTED FOR THE 2-YEAR PERIOD OF 18 THE LICENSE. 19 (4) THE BOARD MAY ADOPT ANY BYLAW FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE 20 PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD, AND ANY REGULATION TO CARRY OUT THIS 21 SUBTITLE. 22 EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, A PERSON (H) 23 SHALL BE LICENSED BY THE BOARD AS AN ELEVATOR MECHANIC BEFORE THE 24 PERSON ERECTS, CONSTRUCTS, WIRES, ALTERS, REPLACES, MAINTAINS, REPAIRS, 25 DISMANTLES, OR SERVICES ELEVATORS, DUMBWAITERS, ESCALATORS, AND MOVING 26 WALKS IN THE STATE. 27 EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, A PERSON (I) 28 SHALL BE LICENSED BY THE BOARD AS AN ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR BEFORE THE 29 PERSON ENGAGES IN THE BUSINESS OF ERECTING, CONSTRUCTING, WIRING, 30 ALTERING, REPLACING, MAINTAINING, REPAIRING, DISMANTLING, OR SERVICING 31 ELEVATORS, DUMBWAITERS, ESCALATORS, AND MOVING WALKS IN THE STATE. A LICENSED ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR IS NOT REQUIRED FOR 32 (II)33 REMOVING OR DISMANTLING CONVEYANCES THAT ARE DESTROYED AS A RESULT OF 34 A COMPLETE DEMOLITION OF A BUILDING OR WHERE THE HOISTWAY OR WELLWAY 35 IS DEMOLISHED BACK TO THE BASIS BASIC SUPPORT STRUCTURE. A LICENSE IS NOT REQUIRED FOR AN ELEVATOR APPRENTICE. 36 (3)

AN APPLICANT FOR AN ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE SHALL:

HAVE AN ACCEPTABLE COMBINATION OF DOCUMENTED 1 (I)2 EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION CREDITS, WITH AT LEAST 3 YEARS OF RECENT AND 3 ACTIVE WORK EXPERIENCE IN THE ELEVATOR INDUSTRY, IN CONSTRUCTION, 4 MAINTENANCE, AND SERVICE/REPAIR, AS VERIFIED BY CURRENT AND PREVIOUS 5 EMPLOYERS <del>LICENSED TO DO BUSINESS IN THE STATE</del> AND SATISFACTORILY 6 COMPLETE A WRITTEN EXAMINATION ADMINISTERED BY THE BOARD ON THE MOST 7 RECENT REFERENCED CODES AND STANDARDS; 8 UPON COMPLETION OF 3 YEARS OF WORK (II)9 EXPERIENCE AS PROVIDED IN ITEM (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, HAVE A CERTIFICATE OF 10 COMPLETION OF THE MECHANIC EXAMINATION OF A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED 11 TRAINING PROGRAM FOR THE ELEVATOR INDUSTRY SUCH AS THE NATIONAL 12 ELEVATOR INDUSTRY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM OR ITS EQUIVALENT; OR 13 (III)HAVE A CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION OF AN 14 APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM FOR ELEVATOR MECHANICS, WITH STANDARDS 15 SUBSTANTIALLY EQUAL TO THOSE OF THIS SECTION AND REGISTERED WITH THE 16 BUREAU OF APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, OR A 17 STATE APPRENTICESHIP COUNCIL; AND EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, 18 19 SATISFACTORILY COMPLETE A WRITTEN EXAMINATION ADMINISTERED BY THE 20 BOARD ON THE MOST RECENT REFERENCED CODES AND STANDARDS. 21 (2) AN APPLICANT WHO PROVIDES THE BOARD WITH ACCEPTABLE 22 PROOF THAT THE APPLICANT HAS WORKED AS AN ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR, OR 23 MAINTENANCE OR REPAIR PERSON IS ENTITLED TO A LICENSE WITHOUT 24 EXAMINATION IF THE APPLICANT: 25 (I) HAS WORKED WITHOUT DIRECT AND IMMEDIATE SUPERVISION 26 FOR A LICENSED ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR FOR AT LEAST 3 YEARS IMMEDIATELY 27 BEFORE APPLYING FOR THE LICENSE POSSESSES SUFFICIENT ABILITY AND SKILL 28 AND A MINIMUM OF 3 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE THAT IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE BOARD; 29 AND 30 APPLIES FOR THE LICENSE WITHIN 1 YEAR OF THE EFFECTIVE (II)31 DATE OF THIS SECTION ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30, 2002. AN APPLICANT FOR AN ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR LICENSE SHALL 32 (3)33 HAVE AT LEAST 5 YEARS OF WORK EXPERIENCE IN THE ELEVATOR INDUSTRY IN 34 CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, SERVICE, OR REPAIR. 35 **(J)** (1) AN APPLICANT FOR A AN ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR LICENSE SHALL: 36 (I) SUBMIT TO THE BOARD AN APPLICATION ON THE FORM THAT 37 THE BOARD PROVIDES; 38 (II)SUBMIT TO THE BOARD:

- 10 **HOUSE BILL 1094** 1 DOCUMENTATION OF AT LEAST 5 YEARS OF WORK 2 EXPERIENCE IN THE ELEVATOR INDUSTRY IN CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, 3 SERVICE, OR REPAIR; AND ANY OTHER PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY THE BOARD <u>2.</u> 5 REQUIRES; AND PAY TO THE BOARD OR A DESIGNEE OF THE BOARD, A (III)6 7 NONREFUNDABLE AN APPLICATION FEE SET BY THE BOARD. EACH APPLICATION SHALL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING (2) 9 INFORMATION: 10 (I) IF AN INDIVIDUAL, THE NAME, RESIDENCE, AND BUSINESS 11 ADDRESS OF THE APPLICANT: 12 (II)IF A PARTNERSHIP, THE NAME, RESIDENCE, AND BUSINESS 13 ADDRESS OF EACH PARTNER; 14 (III) IF A DOMESTIC CORPORATION, THE NAME AND BUSINESS 15 ADDRESS OF THE CORPORATION AND THE NAME AND RESIDENCE ADDRESS OF THE 16 PRINCIPAL OFFICER OF THE CORPORATION AND IF A CORPORATION OTHER THAN A 17 DOMESTIC CORPORATION, THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF AN AGENT LOCATED 18 LOCALLY WHO SHALL BE AUTHORIZED TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS; 19 (IV) THE NUMBER OF YEARS THE APPLICANT HAS ENGAGED IN THE 20 BUSINESS OF INSTALLING, ALTERING, REPAIRING, OR SERVICING ELEVATORS; 21 THE APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS, IF ANY, TO BE 22 EMPLOYED BY THE ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR APPLICANT, AND IF APPLICABLE, 23 SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE THAT THE EMPLOYEES ARE OR WILL BE COVERED BY 24 WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE; 25 SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE THAT THE APPLICANT IS OR WILL BE (VI) 26 COVERED BY GENERAL LIABILITY, PERSONAL INJURY, AND PROPERTY DAMAGE 27 INSURANCE; AND (VII) CRIMINAL RECORD OF CONVICTIONS, IF ANY, AS VERIFIED BY 29 THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE; AND 30 (VIII) ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT THE BOARD REQUIRES. 31 (K) AN APPLICANT WHO OTHERWISE QUALIFIES FOR A AN ELEVATOR
- 32 MECHANIC LICENSE IS ENTITLED TO BE EXAMINED AS PROVIDED IN THIS
- 33 SUBSECTION UPON PAYMENT OF AN EXAMINATION FEE TO THE BOARD OR BOARD'S
- 34 DESIGNEE.
- 35 THE BOARD PERIODICALLY SHALL GIVE EXAMINATIONS TO
- 36 APPLICANTS AT THE TIMES AND PLACES THAT THE BOARD DETERMINES.

- 11 **HOUSE BILL 1094** 1 THE BOARD SHALL GIVE EACH QUALIFIED APPLICANT NOTICE OF (3) 2 THE TIME AND PLACE OF EXAMINATION. THE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE THE CONTENT, FEE, SCOPE, AND 4 PASSING SCORE FOR EXAMINATIONS GIVEN UNDER THIS SUBSECTION. THE BOARD MAY USE A TESTING SERVICE TO ADMINISTER THE (I) 6 EXAMINATIONS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION. IF THE BOARD USES A TESTING SERVICE UNDER THIS 7 8 SUBSECTION, THE TESTING SERVICE, SUBJECT TO REQUIREMENTS SET BY THE 9 BOARD, MAY: 10 1. SET THE TIMES AND PLACES OF THE EXAMINATIONS; 11 2. PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TIMES AND PLACES OF 12 EXAMINATIONS TO THE APPLICANTS; AND PROVIDE ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT THE BOARD 13 3. 14 MAY REQUIRE THE TESTING SERVICE TO PROVIDE. THE BOARD OR A DESIGNEE OF THE BOARD SHALL PROVIDE TO THE 15 16 APPLICANT NOTICE OF THE APPLICANT'S EXAMINATION RESULT. SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE BOARD 17 (L) (1) 18 MAY WAIVE THE EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION FOR AN 19 INDIVIDUAL WHO IS LICENSED TO PERFORM ELEVATOR INSTALLATION, 20 ALTERATION, REPAIR, OR SERVICE WORK IN ANOTHER STATE OR A SUBDIVISION OF 21 ANOTHER STATE. 22 (2) THE BOARD MAY GRANT A WAIVER UNDER THIS SUBSECTION ONLY 23 IF THE APPLICANT: PAYS TO THE BOARD THE APPROPRIATE APPLICATION FEE 24 (I) 25 REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION; AND PROVIDES ADEQUATE EVIDENCE THAT THE APPLICANT: 26 (II)MEETS THE QUALIFICATIONS OTHERWISE REQUIRED BY 27 1. 28 THIS SECTION; 29 HOLDS AN ACTIVE LICENSE IN GOOD STANDING IN THE 2. 30 OTHER STATE OR SUBDIVISION THAT IS EQUIVALENT TO A LICENSE IN THIS STATE; 31 AND 32 BECAME LICENSED IN THE OTHER STATE OR 33 SUBDIVISION AFTER PASSING AN EXAMINATION THAT IS SIMILAR TO THE
- 34 EXAMINATION FOR WHICH THE APPLICANT IS SEEKING THE WAIVER.
- THE BOARD MAY GRANT A WAIVER ONLY IF THE STATE OR 35 36 SUBDIVISION IN WHICH THE APPLICANT IS LICENSED WAIVES THE EXAMINATION OF

- **12 HOUSE BILL 1094** 1 LICENSEES OF THIS STATE TO A SIMILAR EXTENT AS THIS STATE WAIVES THE 2 EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS FOR INDIVIDUALS LICENSED IN THAT STATE OR 3 SUBDIVISION. (M) IF AN APPLICANT QUALIFIES FOR A LICENSE UNDER THIS SECTION, (1) 5 THE BOARD SHALL SEND THE APPLICANT A NOTICE THAT STATES: THE APPLICANT HAS QUALIFIED FOR A LICENSE; AND 6 (I) ON RECEIPT OF A LICENSE FEE SET BY THE BOARD. THE BOARD 7 (II)8 SHALL ISSUE A LICENSE TO THE APPLICANT. ON PAYMENT OF THE LICENSE FEE. THE BOARD SHALL ISSUE A 10 LICENSE TO EACH APPLICANT WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION. WHILE AN ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE IS IN EFFECT, IT 12 AUTHORIZES THE LICENSEE TO ERECT, CONSTRUCT, WIRE, ALTER, REPLACE, 13 MAINTAIN, REPAIR, DISMANTLE, OR SERVICE ELEVATORS, DUMBWAITERS, 14 ESCALATORS, AND MOVING WALKS UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A 15 LICENSED ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR. WHILE AN ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR LICENSE IS IN EFFECT. IT 16 17 AUTHORIZES THE LICENSEE TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF ERECTING, 18 CONSTRUCTING, WIRING, ALTERING, REPLACING, MAINTAINING, REPAIRING, 19 DISMANTLING, OR SERVICING ELEVATORS, DUMBWAITERS, ESCALATORS, AND 20 MOVING WALKS. (O) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, UNLESS THE 21 22 LICENSE IS RENEWED FOR A 2-YEAR TERM AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, A 23 LICENSE EXPIRES ON THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF ITS EFFECTIVE DATE. 24 THE SECRETARY OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION MAY
- 25 DETERMINE THAT LICENSES ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL EXPIRE ON A
- 26 STAGGERED BASIS.
- 27 AT LEAST 1 MONTH BEFORE A LICENSE EXPIRES, THE BOARD SHALL (3) 28 MAIL TO THE LICENSEE, AT THE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS OF THE LICENSEE:
- A RENEWAL APPLICATION FORM; AND 29 (I)
- 30 (II)A NOTICE THAT STATES:
- 31 1. THE DATE ON WHICH THE CURRENT LICENSE EXPIRES;
- 32 2. THE DATE BY WHICH THE BOARD MUST RECEIVE THE
- 33 RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR THE RENEWAL TO BE ISSUED AND MAILED BEFORE THE
- 34 LICENSE EXPIRES; AND
- THE AMOUNT OF THE RENEWAL FEE. 35 3.

1 (4) BEFORE THE LICENSE EXPIRES, THE LICENSEE PERIODICALLY MAY 2 RENEW THE LICENSE FOR AN ADDITIONAL 2-YEAR TERM IF THE LICENSEE: 3 (I) OTHERWISE IS ENTITLED TO BE LICENSED; 4 (II)PAYS TO THE BOARD A RENEWAL FEE SET BY THE BOARD; AND SUBMITS TO THE BOARD A RENEWAL APPLICATION ON THE 5 (III)6 FORM THAT THE BOARD PROVIDES. 7 (5) THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS: (I)TO REQUIRE A DEMONSTRATION OF CONTINUING 9 PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCY FOR A LICENSEE AS A CONDITION OF RENEWAL OF A 10 LICENSE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION; 11 (II)TO ESTABLISH CRITERIA FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION 12 PROVIDERS; (III) TO PROVIDE FOR A TEMPORARY WAIVER OF CONTINUING 13 14 EDUCATION UNDER SPECIFIED CIRCUMSTANCES; AND 15 (IV) TO SET RECORD KEEPING CRITERIA FOR APPROVED TRAINING 16 PROVIDERS. 17 THE BOARD SHALL RENEW THE LICENSE OF AND ISSUE A RENEWAL 18 CERTIFICATE TO EACH LICENSEE WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS 19 SUBSECTION. WHENEVER AN EMERGENCY EXISTS IN THE STATE DUE TO 20 (P) (1) 21 DISASTER, ACT OF GOD, OR WORK STOPPAGE AND THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS IN 22 THE STATE HOLDING LICENSES ISSUED BY THE BOARD IS INSUFFICIENT TO COPE 23 WITH THE EMERGENCY, THE LICENSED ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR SHALL RESPOND AS 24 NECESSARY TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF THE PUBLIC. ANY INDIVIDUAL CERTIFIED BY A LICENSED ELEVATOR 25 (2) 26 CONTRACTOR TO HAVE AN ACCEPTABLE COMBINATION OF DOCUMENTED 27 EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION TO PERFORM ELEVATOR WORK WITHOUT DIRECT AND 28 IMMEDIATE SUPERVISION SHALL SEEK AN EMERGENCY ELEVATOR MECHANIC 29 LICENSE FROM THE BOARD WITHIN 5 BUSINESS DAYS AFTER BEGINNING WORK 30 REQUIRING A LICENSE. 31 (3) THE BOARD SHALL ISSUE EMERGENCY ELEVATOR MECHANIC 32 LICENSES. 33 THE LICENSED ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE PROOF OF 34 COMPETENCY AS THE BOARD MAY REQUIRE.

EACH EMERGENCY ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE IS VALID FOR A

36 PERIOD OF 30 DAYS FOR PARTICULAR ELEVATORS OR GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS AS THE

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35 § 49B OF THIS SUBTITLE; OR

32 OBTAIN A LICENSE;

37 SUBTITLE;

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14 **HOUSE BILL 1094** 1 BOARD DESIGNATES AND ENTITLES THE LICENSEE TO THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES 2 OF AN ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION. THE BOARD SHALL RENEW AN EMERGENCY ELEVATOR MECHANIC 4 LICENSE DURING THE EXISTENCE OF AN EMERGENCY. THE BOARD MAY NOT CHARGE A FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OR 6 RENEWAL OF AN EMERGENCY ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE. A LICENSED ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY THE BOARD 7 (O) 8 WHEN THERE ARE NO LICENSED PERSONNEL AVAILABLE TO PERFORM ELEVATOR 9 WORK. 10 (2) THE LICENSED ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR MAY REQUEST THE BOARD 11 TO ISSUE TEMPORARY ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSES TO INDIVIDUALS CERTIFIED 12 BY THE LICENSED ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR TO HAVE AN ACCEPTABLE 13 COMBINATION OF DOCUMENTED EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION TO PERFORM 14 ELEVATOR WORK WITHOUT DIRECT AND IMMEDIATE SUPERVISION. 15 ANY INDIVIDUAL CERTIFIED BY A LICENSED ELEVATOR (3) 16 CONTRACTOR TO HAVE AN ACCEPTABLE COMBINATION OF DOCUMENTED 17 EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION TO PERFORM ELEVATOR WORK WITHOUT DIRECT AND 18 IMMEDIATE SUPERVISION SHALL IMMEDIATELY SEEK A TEMPORARY ELEVATOR 19 MECHANIC LICENSE FROM THE BOARD AND SHALL PAY THE FEE THAT THE BOARD 20 DETERMINES. EACH TEMPORARY ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE IS VALID FOR A 22 PERIOD OF 30 DAYS WHILE THE LICENSEE IS EMPLOYED BY THE LICENSED 23 ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR THAT CERTIFIED THE LICENSEE AS QUALIFIED. 24 A TEMPORARY ELEVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE MAY BE RENEWED AS 25 LONG AS THE SHORTAGE OF LICENSE HOLDERS CONTINUES. SUBJECT TO THE HEARING PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (S) OF THIS 26 (R) (1) 27 SECTION, THE BOARD MAY DENY A LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT, REFUSE TO RENEW A 28 LICENSE, REPRIMAND A LICENSEE, SUSPEND OR REVOKE A LICENSE, OR IMPOSE A 29 CIVIL PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000 IF THE BOARD FINDS THAT THE APPLICANT 30 OR LICENSEE:

34 ELEVATOR OR RELATED MECHANISM OF ANY CONDITION NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH

FRAUDULENTLY OR DECEPTIVELY OBTAINS OR ATTEMPTS TO

FAILS TO NOTIFY THE BOARD OR THE OWNER OR LESSEE OF AN

VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF THIS SECTION OR § 49B OF THIS

1 2	ANOTHER PERSON	<u>(IV)</u> [ <u>;</u>	TRANSFERS THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY THE LICENSE TO
	IN THE INSTALLAT		INSTALLS, REPAIRS, OR MAINTAINS AN ELEVATOR OR ASSISTS EPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE OF AN ELEVATOR IN A B MANNER; OR
	•		WILLFULLY OR DELIBERATELY DISREGARDS AND VIOLATES RICAL CODES, OR CONSTRUCTION LAWS OF THE STATE OR ICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE.
9 10	(2) UNDER PARAGRA		ERMINING THE APPROPRIATE PENALTY TO BE IMPOSED F THIS SUBSECTION, THE BOARD SHALL CONSIDER:
11		<u>(I)</u>	THE GRAVITY OF THE VIOLATION;
12		<u>(II)</u>	THE GOOD FAITH OF THE VIOLATOR;
13 14	THE SAME VIOLA	(III) ΓΟR;	THE QUANTITY AND GRAVITY OF PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS BY
15 16	THE ELEVATOR M	<u>(IV)</u> ECHAN	THE HARM CAUSED TO THE COMPLAINANT, THE PUBLIC, AND IC PROFESSION:
17		<u>(V)</u>	THE ASSETS OF THE VIOLATOR; AND
18		<u>(VI)</u>	ANY OTHER FACTORS THAT THE BOARD CONSIDERS RELEVANT.
21 22	STATE GOVERNM UNDER THIS SECT	ENT AR'	T AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE TICLE, BEFORE THE BOARD TAKES ANY FINAL ACTION IE BOARD SHALL GIVE THE INDIVIDUAL AGAINST WHOM PLATED AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING BEFORE THE
24 25			OARD SHALL GIVE NOTICE AND HOLD THE HEARING IN LE 10, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.
28	CONTESTED CASE	E, AS DE PEAL A	AGGRIEVED BY A FINAL DECISION OF THE BOARD IN A FINED IN § 10-202 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, S ALLOWED IN §§ 10-222 AND 10-223 OF THE STATE
	ELEVATOR INSTA	LLATIO	EVATOR CONTRACTOR MAY NOT ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF N, ALTERATION, REPAIR, OR SERVICE WORK UNLESS THE R CONTRACTOR IS COVERED BY:
33 34	\$1,000,000; AND	(I)	GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF AT LEAST
35 36	\$500,000.	(II)	PROPERTY DAMAGE INSURANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF AT LEAST

- 1 (2) AN APPLICANT FOR AN ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR LICENSE SHALL
- 2 SUBMIT PROOF OF THE INSURANCE REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION TO THE
- 3 BOARD WITH THE LICENSE APPLICATION.
- 4 (3) UNLESS A LICENSEE MEETS THE INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS OF
- 5 THIS SECTION, THE BOARD MAY NOT RENEW THE LICENSE OF A LICENSEE TO WHOM
- 6 THE INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBSECTION APPLY.
- 7 (4) A LICENSED ELEVATOR CONTRACTOR SHALL GIVE THE BOARD
- 8 NOTICE OF THE CANCELLATION OF INSURANCE AT LEAST 10 DAYS BEFORE THE
- 9 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE CANCELLATION.
- 10 (V) (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE, AN
- 11 INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT PERFORM, ATTEMPT TO PERFORM, OR OFFER TO PERFORM
- 12 ELEVATOR INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE WORK IN THE STATE UNLESS
- 13 LICENSED BY THE BOARD.
- 14 (2) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE, AN
- 15 INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT ASSIST, ATTEMPT TO ASSIST, OR OFFER TO ASSIST IN
- 16 PERFORMING ELEVATOR INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE WORK IN THE
- 17 STATE UNLESS LICENSED BY THE BOARD.
- 18 (3) A CONTRACTOR MAY NOT EMPLOY AN ELEVATOR MECHANIC UNLESS
- 19 THE MECHANIC IS LICENSED BY THE BOARD.
- 20 (W) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A
- 21 PERSON WHO VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A
- 22 MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT TO EXCEED \$100
- 23 FOR EACH DAY THAT THE VIOLATION CONTINUES OR IMPRISONMENT NOT TO
- 24 EXCEED 6 MONTHS OR BOTH.
- 25 (2) ANY PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY VIOLATES ANY
- 26 PROVISION OF THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND ON CONVICTION IS
- 27 SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT TO EXCEED 6
- 28 MONTHS OR BOTH.
- 29 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 30 October 1, 2001.