HOUSE BILL 798 EMERGENCY BILL

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By: Chairman, Economic Matters Committee (By Request - Departmental -Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

Introduced and read first time: February 7, 2003 Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Elevator Renovators and Refinishers

3 FOR the purpose of establishing certain elevator renovator licenses; establishing

- 4 certain fees for the elevator renovator licenses; requiring the Elevator Safety
- 5 Review Board to adopt certain regulations regarding elevator renovators;
- 6 requiring certain elevator renovators to hold a license by a certain date; defining
- 7 certain terms; providing for the effective date of certain provisions of this Act;
- 8 providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; making this Act
- 9 an emergency measure; and generally relating to elevator renovators and
- 10 refinishers.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

- 12 Article 89 Miscellaneous Business, Work, and Safety Provisions
- 13 Section 49C(a), (g)(3), (h), (i), (j), and (n)
- 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 15 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

- 17 Article 89 Miscellaneous Business, Work, and Safety Provisions
- 18 Section 49C(m)
- 19 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 20 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

21 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

- 22 Article Public Safety
- 23 Section 12-801(a), (b), (g), and (h) and 12-831
- 24 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 25 (As enacted by Chapter (S.B. 1) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003)
- 26 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 27 Article Public Safety
- 28 Section 12-801(i) through (n), inclusive, 12-824, 12-826, 12-827, 12-828, and

- 12-832
- 2 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 3 (As enacted by Chapter (S.B. 1) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003)
- 4 BY adding to
- 5 Article Public Safety
- 6 Section 12-801(i), (j), and (k)
- 7 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 8 (As enacted by Chapter _____ (S.B. 1) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 9 2003)

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

- 11 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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Article 89 - Miscellaneous Business, Work, and Safety Provisions

- 13 49C.
- 14 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.
- 15 (2) "Board" means the Elevator Safety Review Board.

16 (3) (i) "Elevator apprentice" means a person who works under the
17 direct supervision of a licensed elevator mechanic OR A LICENSED ELEVATOR
18 RENOVATOR MECHANIC.

19 (ii) "Elevator apprentice" includes a person commonly known as an 20 elevator helper while working under the direct supervision of a licensed elevator

21 mechanic OR A LICENSED ELEVATOR RENOVATOR MECHANIC.

- 22 (4) "Elevator contractor" means a person who is engaged in the business
- 23 of erecting, constructing, wiring, altering, replacing, maintaining, repairing,
- 24 dismantling, or servicing elevators, dumbwaiters, escalators, and moving walks.

(5) "ELEVATOR REFINISHER" MEANS A PERSON WHO IS ENGAGED IN
THE REFINISHING OF EXISTING METAL AND WOOD ELEMENTS IN ELEVATOR CABS,
INCLUDING THE STRIPPING OF OLD LACQUER ON WOOD AND BRONZE ITEMS,
STAINING WOOD TO MATCH EXISTING FINISHES, CLEANING, POLISHING, OXIDIZING,
PAINTING, LACQUERING, AND THE REMOVING OF SCRATCHES TO MAINTAIN
EXISTING FINISHES.

31 (6) "ELEVATOR RENOVATOR CONTRACTOR" MEANS A PERSON WHO IS
32 ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF PERFORMING WORK:

33 (I) ON THE INTERIOR OF AN ELEVATOR INVOLVING THE REMOVAL
34 OR INSTALLATION OF THE NONSTRUCTURAL SURFACE OF THE ELEVATOR'S WALL,
35 CEILING, FLOOR, RAIL, OR HANDLE; AND

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THAT DOES NOT AFFECT THE ELEVATOR'S MOVING

1 2 OPERATION.

3 (7) "ELEVATOR RENOVATOR MECHANIC" MEANS A PERSON WHO 4 PERFORMS WORK:

5 (I) ON THE INTERIOR OF AN ELEVATOR INVOLVING THE REMOVAL
6 OR INSTALLATION OF THE NONSTRUCTURAL SURFACE OF THE ELEVATOR'S WALL,
7 CEILING, FLOOR, RAIL, OR HANDLE; AND

8 (II) THAT DOES NOT AFFECT THE ELEVATOR'S MOVING 9 OPERATION.

10 [(5)] (8) "Elevator mechanic" means a person who is engaged in erecting, 11 constructing, wiring, altering, replacing, maintaining, repairing, dismantling, or

12 servicing elevators, dumbwaiters, escalators, and moving walks.

13 [(6)] (9) "License" includes:

(II)

14 (i) An elevator contractor license; [and]

15 (ii) An elevator mechanic license;

16 (III) AN ELEVATOR RENOVATOR CONTRACTOR LICENSE; AND

17 (IV) AN ELEVATOR RENOVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE.

18 (g) (3) (i) The Board shall establish fees for the application, issuance, and 19 renewal of licenses issued under this section.

20 (ii) The total amount of fees in subparagraph (i) of this paragraph

21 may not exceed \$100 per year for an elevator mechanic OR ELEVATOR RENOVATOR

22 MECHANIC and \$150 per year for an elevator contractor OR AN ELEVATOR

23 RENOVATOR CONTRACTOR which may be collected for the 2-year period of the 24 license.

25 (h) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person shall be

26 licensed by the Board as an elevator mechanic before the person erects, constructs,

27 wires, alters, replaces, maintains, repairs, dismantles, or services elevators,

28 dumbwaiters, escalators, and moving walks in the State.

29 (2) (i) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person shall be 30 licensed by the Board as an elevator contractor before the person engages in the

31 business of erecting, constructing, wiring, altering, replacing, maintaining, repairing,

32 dismantling, or servicing elevators, dumbwaiters, escalators, and moving walks in the

33 State.

34(ii)A licensed elevator contractor is not required for removing or35dismantling conveyances that are destroyed as a result of a complete demolition of a

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building or where the hoistway or wellway is demolished back to the basic support
 structure.

3 (3)**(I)** EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, A PERSON 4 SHALL BE LICENSED BY THE BOARD AS AN ELEVATOR RENOVATOR CONTRACTOR 5 BEFORE THE PERSON ENGAGES IN THE BUSINESS OF ELEVATOR RENOVATING. BY JUNE 1, 2004, A PERSON WHO ENGAGES IN THE BUSINESS OF 6 (II)7 ELEVATOR RENOVATING FOR A BUSINESS INCORPORATED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2002, 8 SHALL BE LICENSED BY THE BOARD AS AN ELEVATOR RENOVATOR CONTRACTOR 9 BEFORE THE PERSON ENGAGES IN THE BUSINESS OF ELEVATOR RENOVATING. 10 (4)EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION. A PERSON 11 SHALL BE LICENSED BY THE BOARD AS AN ELEVATOR RENOVATOR MECHANIC 12 BEFORE THE PERSON PERFORMS ELEVATOR RENOVATOR WORK. 13 [(3)] (5) A license is not required for an elevator apprentice. 14 A LICENSE IS NOT REQUIRED FOR AN ELEVATOR REFINISHER. (6)15 (i) An applicant for an elevator mechanic license shall: (1)Have an acceptable combination of documented experience and 16 (i) education credits, with at least 3 years of recent and active work experience in the 17 elevator industry, in construction, maintenance, and service/repair, as verified by 18 current and previous employers and satisfactorily complete a written examination 19 administered by the Board on the most recent referenced codes and standards; 20 21 Upon completion of 3 years of work experience as provided in (ii) 22 item (i) of this paragraph, have a certificate of completion of the mechanic 23 examination of a nationally recognized training program for the elevator industry 24 such as the National Elevator Industry Educational Program or its equivalent; or 25 Have a certificate of completion of an apprenticeship program (iii) 26 for elevator mechanics, with standards substantially equal to those of this section and registered with the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, U.S. Department of 27 28 Labor, or a State apprenticeship council. An applicant who provides the Board with acceptable proof that the 29 (2)30 applicant has worked as an elevator contractor or maintenance or repair person is 31 entitled to a license without examination if the applicant: 32 (i) Possesses sufficient ability and skill and a minimum of 3 years 33 of experience that is acceptable to the Board; and 34 (ii) Applies for the license on or before September 30, 2002. 35 (3) An applicant for an elevator contractor license shall have at least 5 36 years of work experience in the elevator industry in construction, maintenance,

37 service, or repair.

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1	(4)	THE BC	OARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS GOVERNING:			
	RENOVATOR CON RENOVATOR MEC		THE QUALIFICATION OF AN APPLICANT FOR AN ELEVATOR OR LICENSE AND AN APPLICANT FOR AN ELEVATOR LICENSE; AND			
5 6	RENOVATOR CON	(II) FRACTC	THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF A LICENSED ELEVATOR OR AND A LICENSED ELEVATOR RENOVATOR MECHANIC.			
7	(j) (1)	An appli	icant for a license shall:			
8 9	provides;	(i)	Submit to the Board an application on the form that the Board			
10 11	and	(ii)	Submit to the Board any proof of eligibility the Board requires;			
12 13	2 (iii) Pay to the Board or a designee of the Board, a nonrefundable 3 application fee set by the Board.					
14	(2)	Each app	plication shall contain the following information:			
15 16	the applicant;	(i)	If an individual, the name, residence, and business address of			
17 18	each partner;	(ii)	If a partnership, the name, residence, and business address of			
21 22	9 (iii) If a domestic corporation, the name and business address of the 0 corporation and the name and residence address of the principal officer of the 1 corporation and if a corporation other than a domestic corporation, the name and 2 address of an agent located locally who shall be authorized to accept service of 3 process;					
24 25		(iv) repairing	The number of years the applicant has engaged in the business g, RENOVATING, or servicing elevators;			
28	6 (v) The approximate number of individuals, if any, to be employed 7 by the elevator contractor OR ELEVATOR RENOVATOR CONTRACTOR applicant, and if 8 applicable, satisfactory evidence that the employees are or will be covered by workers' 9 compensation insurance;					
30 31		(vi) onal inju	Satisfactory evidence that the applicant is or will be covered by ry, and property damage insurance; and			
32		(vii)	Any other information that the Board requires.			
33 34	(m) (1) If an applicant qualifies for a license under this section, the Board shall send the applicant a notice that states:					
35		(i)	The applicant has qualified for a license; and			

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1 2	(ii) On receipt of a license fee set by the Board, the Board shall issue a license to the applicant.						
3 4	(2) On payment of the license fee, the Board shall issue a license to each applicant who meets the requirements of this section.						
7	(n) (1) While an elevator mechanic license is in effect, it authorizes the licensee to erect, construct, wire, alter, replace, maintain, repair, dismantle, or service elevators, dumbwaiters, escalators, and moving walks under the direct supervision of a licensed elevator contractor.						
11	9 (2) While an elevator contractor license is in effect, it authorizes the 10 licensee to engage in the business of erecting, constructing, wiring, altering, 11 replacing, maintaining, repairing, dismantling, or servicing elevators, dumbwaiters, 12 escalators, and moving walks.						
14	 (3) WHILE AN ELEVATOR RENOVATOR CONTRACTOR LICENSE IS IN EFFECT, IT AUTHORIZES THE LICENSEE TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF PERFORMING WORK: 						
17	16 (I) ON THE INTERIOR OF AN ELEVATOR INVOLVING THE REMOVAL 17 OR INSTALLATION OF THE NONSTRUCTURAL SURFACE OF THE ELEVATOR'S WALL, 18 CEILING, FLOOR, RAIL, OR HANDLE; AND						
19 20	(II) THAT DOES NOT AFFECT THE ELEVATOR'S MOVING OPERATION.						
21 22	(4) WHILE AN ELEVATOR RENOVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE IS IN EFFECT, IT AUTHORIZES THE LICENSEE TO PERFORM WORK:						
	(I) ON THE INTERIOR OF AN ELEVATOR INVOLVING THE REMOVAL OR INSTALLATION OF THE NONSTRUCTURAL SURFACE OF THE ELEVATOR'S WALL, CEILING, FLOOR, RAIL, OR HANDLE; AND						
26 27	(II) THAT DOES NOT AFFECT THE ELEVATOR'S MOVING OPERATION.						
	28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland 29 read as follows:						
30 Article - Public Safety							
31	12-801.						
32	(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.						
33	(b) "Board" means the Elevator Safety Review Board.						

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1 (g) "Elevator contractor" means a person who is engaged in the business of 2 erecting, constructing, wiring, altering, replacing, maintaining, repairing, 3 dismantling, or servicing elevator units.

4 (h) "Elevator mechanic" means a person who is engaged in erecting, 5 constructing, wiring, altering, replacing, maintaining, repairing, dismantling, or 6 servicing elevator units.

7 (I) "ELEVATOR REFINISHER" MEANS A PERSON WHO IS ENGAGED IN THE
8 REFINISHING OF EXISTING METAL AND WOOD ELEMENTS IN ELEVATOR CABS,
9 INCLUDING THE STRIPPING OF OLD LACQUER ON WOOD AND BRONZE ITEMS,
10 STAINING WOOD TO MATCH EXISTING FINISHES, CLEANING, POLISHING, OXIDIZING,
11 PAINTING, LACQUERING, AND THE REMOVING OF SCRATCHES TO MAINTAIN
12 EXISTING FINISHES.

13 (J) "ELEVATOR RENOVATOR CONTRACTOR" MEANS A PERSON WHO IS 14 ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF PERFORMING WORK:

15 (1) ON THE INTERIOR OF AN ELEVATOR INVOLVING THE REMOVAL OR
16 INSTALLATION OF THE NONSTRUCTURAL SURFACE OF THE ELEVATOR'S WALL,
17 CEILING, FLOOR, RAIL, OR HANDLE; AND

18 (2) THAT DOES NOT AFFECT THE ELEVATOR'S MOVING OPERATION.

19 (K) "ELEVATOR RENOVATOR MECHANIC" MEANS A PERSON WHO PERFORMS 20 WORK:

(1) ON THE INTERIOR OF AN ELEVATOR INVOLVING THE REMOVAL OR
 INSTALLATION OF THE NONSTRUCTURAL SURFACE OF THE ELEVATOR'S WALL,
 CEILING, FLOOR, RAIL, OR HANDLE; AND

24 (2) THAT DOES NOT AFFECT THE ELEVATOR'S MOVING OPERATION.

25 [(i)] (L) "Elevator unit" includes an elevator, escalator, dumbwaiter, and 26 moving walk.

27 [(j)] (M) "Escalator" means a power driven, inclined, continuous stairway used 28 for raising and lowering passengers.

29 [(k)] (N) "License" includes:

30 (1) an elevator contractor license; [and]

31 (2) an elevator mechanic license;

32 (3) AN ELEVATOR RENOVATOR CONTRACTOR LICENSE; AND

33 (4) AN ELEVATOR RENOVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE.

1 [(l)] (O) "Moving walk" means a type of passenger-carrying device on which 2 passengers stand or walk and in which the passenger-carrying surface remains

3 parallel to its direction of motion and is uninterrupted.

4 [(m)] (P) "Safety Code" means the American National Standard/American 5 Society of Mechanical Engineers Safety Code for elevators, dumbwaiters, escalators, 6 and moving walks, known as ANSI A17.1-1971, and all subsequent amendments and 7 revisions to it, as adopted by the Commissioner.

8 [(n)] (Q) "Secretary" means the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation. 9 12-824.

10 (a) The Board shall establish fees for the application, issuance, and renewal of 11 licenses issued under Part III of this subtitle.

12 (b) The total amount of fees established under subsection (a) of this section 13 may not exceed, for the 2-year term of the license:

14(1)\$100 per year for an elevator mechanic OR ELEVATOR RENOVATOR15 MECHANIC; and

16(2)\$150 per year for an elevator contractor OR ELEVATOR RENOVATOR17 CONTRACTOR.

18 12-826.

19 (a) Except as otherwise provided in Part III of this subtitle, a person shall be

20 licensed by the Board as an elevator mechanic before the person erects, constructs,

21 wires, alters, replaces, maintains, repairs, dismantles, or services elevator units in

22 the State.

23 (b) Except as otherwise provided in Part III of this subtitle, a person shall be

24 licensed by the Board as an elevator contractor before the person engages in the

25 business of erecting, constructing, wiring, altering, replacing, maintaining, repairing,

26 dismantling, or servicing elevator units in the State.

27 (C) (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN PART III OF THIS SUBTITLE, A
28 PERSON SHALL BE LICENSED BY THE BOARD AS AN ELEVATOR RENOVATOR
29 CONTRACTOR BEFORE THE PERSON ENGAGES IN THE BUSINESS OF ELEVATOR
30 RENOVATING.

(2) BY JUNE 1, 2004, A PERSON WHO ENGAGES IN THE BUSINESS OF
 ELEVATOR RENOVATING FOR A BUSINESS INCORPORATED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2002,
 SHALL BE LICENSED BY THE BOARD AS AN ELEVATOR RENOVATOR CONTRACTOR
 BEFORE THE PERSON ENGAGES IN THE BUSINESS OF ELEVATOR RENOVATING.

(D) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN PART III OF THIS SUBTITLE, A
PERSON SHALL BE LICENSED BY THE BOARD AS AN ELEVATOR RENOVATOR
MECHANIC BEFORE THE PERSON PERFORMS ELEVATOR RENOVATOR WORK.

1 A licensed elevator contractor is not required for removing or [(c)](E) (1)2 dismantling an elevator unit if: 3 (i) the elevator unit is destroyed as a result of a complete 4 demolition of a building; or a hoistway or wellway is demolished back to the basic support 5 (ii) 6 structure. 7 (2)(i) An individual who works as an elevator apprentice under the 8 direct supervision of a licensed elevator mechanic OR LICENSED ELEVATOR RENOVATOR MECHANIC need not obtain a license. 9 10 (ii) An individual commonly known as an elevator helper who 11 works under the direct supervision of a licensed elevator mechanic OR A LICENSED 12 ELEVATOR RENOVATOR MECHANIC need not obtain a license. 13 (3)AN ELEVATOR REFINISHER NEED NOT OBTAIN A LICENSE. 14 12-827. An applicant for an elevator mechanic license shall: 15 (a) 16 (1)(i) have an acceptable combination of documented experience and 17 education credits, with at least 3 years of recent and active work experience in the 18 elevator industry, in construction, maintenance, and service or repair, as verified by 19 current and previous employers; and 20 pass a written examination administered by the Board on the (ii) 21 Safety Code; 22 (2)have completed at least 3 years of recent and active work (i) 23 experience in the elevator industry, in construction, maintenance, and service or 24 repair, as verified by current and previous employers; and 25 have a certificate of completion of the mechanic examination of (ii) 26 a nationally recognized training program for the elevator industry such as the 27 National Elevator Industry Educational Program or its equivalent; or have a certificate of completion of an apprenticeship program for 28 (3) 29 elevator mechanics that has standards substantially equivalent to those of Part III of 30 this subtitle and is registered with the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training of the 31 U.S. Department of Labor or a state apprenticeship council. 32 (b) An applicant for an elevator contractor license shall have at least 5 years of 33 work experience in the elevator industry in construction, maintenance, service, or 34 repair.

35 (C) THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS GOVERNING:

(1) THE QUALIFICATIONS OF AN APPLICANT FOR AN ELEVATOR 2 RENOVATOR CONTRACTOR LICENSE AND AN APPLICANT FOR AN ELEVATOR 3 RENOVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE; AND

4 (2) THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF A LICENSED ELEVATOR RENOVATOR 5 CONTRACTOR AND A LICENSED ELEVATOR RENOVATOR MECHANIC.

6 12-828.

7	(a)	(1)	An app	licant for a license shall:			
8 9	provides;		(i)	submit to the Board an application on the form that the Board			
10 11	requires; an	nd	(ii)	submit to the Board any proof of eligibility that the Board			
12 13	by the Boar	rd.	(iii)	pay to the Board or designee of the Board an application fee set			
14		(2)	The app	plication fee is nonrefundable.			
15	(b)	Each ap	Each application shall contain the following information:				
16 17	6 (1) if the applicant is an individual, the name, residence, and business 7 address of the applicant;						
18 19	18 (2) if the applicant is a partnership, the name, residence, and business 19 address of each general partner;						
	20 (3) if the applicant is a domestic corporation, the name and business 21 address of the corporation and the name and residence address of the principal officer 22 of the corporation;						
23 24	 (4) if the applicant is a corporation other than a domestic corporation, the name and address of the resident agent; 						
25 26	installing, a	(5) altering, r		ber of years the applicant has engaged in the business of RENOVATING, or servicing elevators;			
 (6) the approximate number of individuals, if any, to be employed by an applicant that is an elevator contractor OR ELEVATOR RENOVATOR CONTRACTOR and, if applicable, evidence satisfactory to the Board that the employees are or will be covered by workers' compensation insurance; 							
31 32	covered by	(7) general l		e satisfactory to the Board that the applicant is or will be bersonal injury, and property damage insurance; and			
33		(8)	any oth	er information that the Board requires.			

1 12-831.

2 (a) If an applicant qualifies for a license under Part III of this subtitle, the 3 Board shall send the applicant a notice that states:

4 (1) the applicant has qualified for a license; and

5 (2) on receipt of a license fee set by the Board, the Board shall issue a 6 license to the applicant.

7 (b) On payment of the license fee, the Board shall issue a license to each 8 applicant who meets the requirements of Part III of this subtitle.

9 12-832.

10 (a) While an elevator mechanic license is in effect, it authorizes the licensee to 11 erect, construct, wire, alter, replace, maintain, repair, dismantle, or service elevator 12 units under the direct supervision of a licensed elevator contractor.

(b) While an elevator contractor license is in effect, it authorizes the licensee
to engage in the business of erecting, constructing, wiring, altering, replacing,
maintaining, repairing, dismantling, or servicing elevator units.

16 (C) WHILE AN ELEVATOR RENOVATOR CONTRACTOR LICENSE IS IN EFFECT,
17 IT AUTHORIZES THE LICENSEE TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF PERFORMING
18 WORK:

(1) ON THE INTERIOR OF AN ELEVATOR INVOLVING THE REMOVAL OR
 INSTALLATION OF THE NONSTRUCTURAL SURFACE OF THE ELEVATOR'S WALL,
 CEILING, FLOOR, RAIL, OR HANDLE; AND

22 (2) THAT DOES NOT AFFECT THE ELEVATOR'S MOVING OPERATION.

23 (D) WHILE AN ELEVATOR RENOVATOR MECHANIC LICENSE IS IN EFFECT, IT 24 AUTHORIZES THE LICENSEE TO PERFORM WORK:

(1) ON THE INTERIOR OF AN ELEVATOR INVOLVING THE REMOVAL OR
INSTALLATION OF THE NONSTRUCTURAL SURFACE OF THE ELEVATOR'S WALL,
CEILING, FLOOR, RAIL, OR HANDLE; AND

28 (2) THAT DOES NOT AFFECT THE ELEVATOR'S MOVING OPERATION.

29 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall

30 take effect on the taking effect of Chapter ____ (S.B. 1) of the Acts of the General

31 Assembly of 2003. If Section 2 of this Act takes effect, Section 1 of this Act shall be

32 abrogated and of no further force and effect.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency
 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety,
 has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members

- elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and, except as provided in
 Section 3 of this Act, shall take effect from the date it is enacted.