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13	Amendment (with title amendment)
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17	and insert:
18	Section 2. Section 399.01, Florida Statutes, is
19	amended to read:
20	399.01 DefinitionsAs used in this chapter, the
21	term:
22	(1) "Alteration" means any change or addition to the
23	vertical conveyance other than maintenance, repair, or
24	replacement.
25	(2) "Certificate of competency" means a document
26	issued by the division which evidences the competency of a
27	person to construct, install, inspect, maintain, or repair any
28	vertical conveyance.
29	(2) (3) "Certificate of operation" means a document
30	issued by the department which indicates that the conveyance
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have been paid as provided in this chapter.

- $\underline{(3)(4)}$ "Conveyance" means an elevator, dumbwaiter, escalator, moving sidewalk, platform lift, $\underline{\text{or}}$ and stairway chairlift.
- $\underline{(4)(5)}$ "Department" means the Department of Business and Professional Regulation.
- $\underline{(5)(6)}$ "Division" means the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation.
- (6)(7) "Elevator" means one of the following
 mechanical devices:
- (a) A hoisting and lowering mechanism, equipped with a car and platform that moves in guide rails and serves two or more landings to transport material or passengers or both.
- (b) An escalator, which is a power-driven, inclined continuous stairway used for raising or lowering passengers.
- (c) A dumbwaiter, which is a hoisting and lowering mechanism equipped with a car of limited size which moves in guide rails and serves two or more landings.
- (d) A moving walk, which is a type of passenger-carrying device on which passengers stand or walk and in which the passenger-carrying surface remains parallel to its direction of motion and is uninterrupted.
- (e) An inclined stairway chairlift, which is a device used to transport physically handicapped persons over architectural barriers.
- (f) An inclined or vertical wheelchair lift, which is a device used to transport wheelchair handicapped persons over architectural barriers.
- (8) "Escalator" means an installation defined as an escalator in the Florida Building Code.

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 $\underline{(7)}$ "Existing installation" means an installation defined as an "installation, existing" in the Florida Building Code.

 $\underline{(8)(10)}$ "Elevator Safety Technical Advisory Committee" means the committee appointed by the secretary of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation.

(9)(11) "Private residence" means a separate dwelling or a separate apartment in a multiple dwelling which is occupied by members of a single-family unit.

(10)(12) "Service maintenance contract" means a contract that provides for routine examination, lubrication, cleaning, adjustment, replacement of parts, and performance of applicable code-required safety tests such as on a traction elevator and annual relief pressure test on a hydraulic elevator and any other service, repair, and maintenance sufficient to ensure the safe operation of the elevator. A service maintenance contract shall be made available upon request of the department for purposes of oversight and monitoring.

(11)(13) "Temporarily dormant conveyance" means a conveyance whose power supply has been disconnected by removing fuses and placing a padlock on the mainline disconnect switch in the "OFF" position. The car is parked, and the hoistway doors are in the closed and latched position. A wire seal is installed on the mainline disconnect switch by a certified certificate of competency elevator inspector. This conveyance installation may not be used again until it has been put in safe running order and is in condition for use. Annual inspections shall continue for the duration of the temporarily dormant status by a certified certificate of competency elevator inspector. The temporarily dormant status

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is renewable on an annual basis and may not exceed a 5-year period. The inspector shall file a report with the department chief elevator inspector describing the current conditions. The wire seal and padlock may not be removed for any purpose without permission from the department elevator inspector.

(12)(14) "Temporary operation inspection permit" means an inspection performed by a certified elevator inspector, the successful passage of a document issued by the department which permits the temporary use of a noncompliant vertical conveyance as provided by rule.

(13)(15) "Registered elevator company" means an entity registered with and authorized by the division employing persons to construct, install, inspect, maintain, or repair any vertical conveyance. Each registered elevator company must annually register with the division and maintain general liability insurance coverage in the minimum amounts set by rule the division.

(14)(16) "Certified elevator inspector" is a natural person registered with and authorized by the division to construct, install, inspect, maintain, or repair any vertical conveyance, after having properly acquired the qualified elevator inspector credential as prescribed by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Each certified elevator inspector must annually register with the division and provide from the National Association of Elevator Safety Authorities. Such person shall remain so authorized by the division only upon providing annual proof of completion of 8 hours of continuing education, proof that and the qualified elevator inspector credential remains in good standing, and proof of with the National Association of Elevator Safety Authorities. A licensed mechanical engineer whose license is in good

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standing may be authorized as a certified elevator inspector annually register with the division and maintain general liability insurance coverage in the minimum amounts set by the division.

(15)(17) "Certified elevator technician" means a natural person authorized by the division to construct, install, maintain, or repair any vertical conveyance, after having been issued an elevator certificate of competency by the division. Each certified elevator technician must annually register with the division and be covered by maintain general liability insurance coverage in the minimum amounts set by the division.

(16)(18) "Elevator helper" means a natural person performing work under the direct supervision of <u>an elevator</u> certificate of competency holder a certified elevator inspector or an elevator technician to construct, install, maintain, or repair any vertical conveyance.

(17)(19) "Elevator certificate of competency" means a credential issued by the division to any individual natural person successfully completing an examination as prescribed by rule and paying a nonrefundable fee of \$50. Such credential shall be valid for and expire at the end of 1 year, and may be renewed by the division when the division receives proof of the elevator certificate of competency holder's completion of 8 hours of continuing education from a provider approved by the department and a nonrefundable renewal fee of \$50. The department shall adopt by rule criteria for providing approval and procedures for continuing education reporting.

- (a) An elevator certificate of competency may be issued only if the applicant meets the following requirements:
 - 1. Four years' work experience in the construction,

maintenance, service, and repair of conveyances covered by this chapter. This experience shall be verified by current or previously registered elevator companies as required by the division.

- 2. One of the following:
- a. Proof of completion and successful passage of a written examination administered by the division or a provider approved by the division under standards it adopted by rule.
- b. Proof of completion of an apprenticeship program for elevator mechanics which has standards substantially equivalent to those found in a national training program for elevator mechanics and is registered with the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training of the United States Department of Labor or a state apprenticeship authority.
- c. Proof of licensure or certification by a state or local jurisdiction in the United States having standards substantially equal to or more stringent than those of this chapter.
- (b) A licensed mechanical engineer whose license is in good standing may be granted an elevator certificate of competency.

All other building transportation terms are defined in the current Florida Building Code.

Section 3. Subsections (1) and (5) of section 399.02, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

399.02 General requirements.--

(1) The Elevator Safety Technical Advisory Committee shall develop and submit to the Director of Hotels and Restaurants <u>proposed</u> regarding revisions to the elevator safety code so that it is the same as or similar to the latest

 $\underline{\text{editions}}$ versions of ASME A17.1, ASME A17.3, and ASME A18.1.

(5)(a) The construction permitholder is responsible for the correction of violations and deficiencies until the elevator has been inspected and a certificate of operation has been issued by the department. The construction permitholder is responsible for all tests of new and altered equipment until the elevator has been inspected and a certificate of operation has been issued by the department.

- (b) The elevator owner is responsible for the safe operation, and proper maintenance, and inspection and correction of code deficiencies of the elevator after it has been inspected and a certificate of operation has been issued by the department. The responsibilities of the elevator owner may be assigned by lease.
- (c) The elevator owner shall report to the department 60 days before the expiration of the certificate of operation whether there exists a service maintenance contract, with whom the contract exists, and the details concerning the provisions and implementation of the contract which the department requires. The department shall keep the names of companies with whom the contract exists confidential pursuant to the public records exemption provided in s. 119.14(4)(b)3. This annual contract report must be made on forms supplied by the department. The elevator owner must report any material change in the service maintenance contract no fewer than 30 days before the effective date of the change. The department shall determine whether the provisions of the service maintenance contract and its implementation ensure the safe operation of the elevator.
- Section 4. Section 399.03, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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399.03 Design, installation, and alteration of conveyances.--

- (1) A conveyance covered by this chapter may not be erected, constructed, installed, or altered within buildings or structures until unless a permit has been obtained from the department before the work is commenced. Permits must be applied for by a registered elevator company and may only be granted upon receipt and approval of an application to be made on a form prescribed by the department, accompanied by proper fees and a sworn statement by an agent of the registered elevator company that the plans meet all applicable elevator safety and building codes. Permits may be granted only to registered elevator companies in good standing. When any material alteration is made, the alteration device must conform to applicable requirements of the Florida Building Code and the provisions of this chapter for the alteration. A permit required hereunder may not be issued except to a person, firm, or corporation holding a current elevator contractor's license issued under this chapter. A copy of the permit and plans must be kept at the construction site at all times while the work is in progress and until a certificate of operation is issued.
- (2) The department shall provide by rule for permit application requirements and permit fees.
 - (3) Permits may be revoked for the following reasons:
- (a) There are any false statements or misrepresentations as to the material facts in the application, plans, or specifications on which the permit was based.
- (b) The permit was issued in error and not in accordance with the code or rules.

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- The work detailed under the permit is not being performed in accordance with the provisions of the application, plans, or specifications or with the code or conditions of the permit.
- (d) The construction permitholder to whom the permit was issued fails or refuses to comply with a stop-work order.
 - (4) A permit expires if:
- (a) The work authorized by the permit is not commenced within 6 months after the date of issuance, or within a shorter period of time as the department may specify at the time the permit is issued.
- (b) The work is suspended or abandoned for a period of 60 days, or such shorter period of time as the department may specify at the time the permit is issued, after the work has been started. For good cause, the department may allow a discretionary extension for the foregoing period.
- (5) All new conveyance installations must be performed by a registered elevator company person to whom a license to install or service a conveyance has been issued. Subsequent to installation, the licensed person, firm, or company must certify compliance with the applicable sections of this chapter and the Florida Building Code. Before any vertical conveyance is used, except those in a private residence, it must be inspected by a certified elevator licensed inspector not employed, or associated, or having a conflict of interest with the elevator construction permitholder or elevator owner and certified as meeting the safety provisions of the Florida Building Code, including the performance of all required safety tests. The certified elevator inspector shall provide the original copy of the inspection report to the department within 5 days after the inspection. A certificate of operation

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may not be issued until the permitholder provides an affidavit signed by the construction supervisor attesting that the supervisor directly supervised the construction or installation of the elevator. Upon successful inspection, the owner or lessee must apply to the department for a certificate of operation from the department. A fee as prescribed in this chapter must be paid for the certificate of operation. It is the responsibility of the licensed elevator construction permitholder to complete and submit a first-time registration for a new installation. Vertical conveyances, including stairway chairlifts, and inclined or vertical wheelchair lifts located in private residences are not required to obtain a certificate of operation under this chapter.

(6) A certificate of operation expires July 31 of each year and must be renewed prior to continued use of the conveyance. A certificate of operation must be clearly displayed on or in each conveyance or in the machine room for use by and for the benefit of inspectors and code enforcement personnel. Certificates of operation may only be renewed for vertical conveyances having a current satisfactory inspection.

(6)(7) At the department's request, and to facilitate oversight and monitoring, the permitholder shall notify the department of the scheduled final inspection date and time for purposes of acquiring a certificate of inspection, in writing, at least 7 days before completion of the work and shall, in the presence of a licensed elevator inspector not associated with or employed by the installing company or contractor, subject the newly installed, relocated, or altered portions of the elevator to tests required to show that the elevator meets the applicable provisions of the Florida Building Code.

(7) Each elevator shall comply with the edition of

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the Florida Building Code or Elevator Safety Code that was in effect at the time of receipt of application for the construction permit for the elevator.

(8) (8) (9) Each alteration to, or relocation of, an elevator shall comply with the edition of the Florida Building Code or Elevator Safety Code that was in effect at the time of receipt of the application for the construction permit for the alteration or relocation.

(9)(10) When any change is made in the classification of an elevator, the elevator shall comply with all of the requirements of the version of the Florida Building Code or Elevator Safety Code that were in effect at the time of receipt of the application for the construction permit for the change in classification.

(10)(a) The temporary use of an elevator during installation or alteration is authorized for a period of 30 days after the completion of a satisfactory temporary operation inspection. An additional 30-day period of temporary use is authorized from the date of completion of each additional satisfactory temporary operation inspection. A satisfactory temporary operation inspection must satisfy the following criteria: the elevator is tested under contract load; the hoistway is fully enclosed; the hoistway doors and interlocks are installed; the car is completely enclosed, including door or gate and top; all electrical safety devices are installed and properly functioning; and terminal stopping equipment is in place for a safe runby and proper clearance. When a car is provided with a temporary enclosure, the operating means must be by constant pressure push-button or lever-type switch. The car may not exceed the minimum safe operating speed of the elevator, and the governor tripping

speed must be set in accordance with the operating speed of the elevator.

(b) Temporary use is authorized only when a satisfactory temporary operation inspection report, completed within the last 30 days by a certified elevator inspector, and a notice prescribed by the department, bearing a statement that the elevator has not been finally approved by a certified elevator inspector, are conspicuously posted in the elevator.

Section 5. Section 399.049, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

399.049 <u>Disciplinary action</u> Certificate of competency.--

- OF COMPETENCY. The department may suspend or revoke an elevator inspector certification, an elevator company registration, an elevator a license or certificate of competency, or an elevator certificate of operation issued under this chapter or impose an administrative penalty of up to \$1,000 per violation upon any registered elevator company licensee or certificateholder who commits any one or more of the following violations:
- (a) Any false statement as to a material matter in \underline{an} the application for registration, certification, or any permit or certificate issued under this chapter.
- (b) Fraud, misrepresentation, or bribery in the practice of the profession securing a license or certificate of competency.
- (c) Failure by a certified elevator inspector to provide notify the department and the certificate of operation holder with a copy of the inspection report within 5 days after the date of any inspection performed after the initial

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certificate of operation is issued of a conveyance covered by this chapter that is not in compliance with the provisions of the elevator safety code incorporated into the Florida Building Code.

- (d) Violation of any provision of this chapter.
- (2) DISCIPLINARY ACTION. Any disciplinary action taken under this chapter must comply with chapter 120 and any rules adopted thereunder.

Section 6. Section 399.061, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

399.061 Inspections; <u>service maintenance contracts;</u> correction of deficiencies.--

- (1)(a) All elevators or other conveyances subject to this chapter must be annually inspected by a certified elevator inspector through a third-party inspection service, or by a municipality or county under contract with the division-pursuant to s. 399.13. If the elevator or other conveyance is maintained pursuant to a service maintenance contract continuously in force, it shall be inspected at least once every 2 years by a certified elevator inspector who is not employed by or otherwise associated with the maintenance company; however, if the elevator is not an escalator or a dumbwaiter, serves only two adjacent floors, and is covered by a service maintenance contract, an inspection is not required so long as the service contract remains in effect. A statement verifying the existence, performance, and cancellation of each service maintenance contract must be filed annually with the division as prescribed by rule.
- (b) A statement verifying the existence and performance of each service maintenance contract must be filed at least annually with the division and as prescribed by rule.

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Cancellation of a service maintenance contract must be reported to the division as prescribed by rule. The division may inspect an elevator whenever necessary to ensure its safe operation or when a third-party inspection service is not available for a routine inspection.

- inspect an elevator whenever necessary to ensure its safe operation. The division may also employ state elevator inspectors to conduct any the inspections as required by this chapter subsection (1) and may charge a an inspection fee for each inspection in an amount sufficient to cover the costs of that inspection, as provided by rule, when a private certified elevator inspector is not available. Each state elevator inspector shall be properly qualified as a certified elevator inspector hold a certificate of competency issued by the division.
- (3) Whenever the division determines from the results of any inspection that, in the interest of the public safety, an elevator is in an unsafe condition, the division may seal the elevator or order the discontinuance of the use of the elevator until the division determines by inspection that such elevator has been satisfactorily repaired or replaced so that the elevator may be operated in a safe manner.
- (4) When the division determines that an elevator is in violation of this chapter or the Florida Building Code, the division may issue an order to the elevator owner requiring correction of the violation and reinspection of the elevator evidencing the correction.

Section 7. Section 399.07, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

399.07 Certificates of operation; temporary operation

permits; fees.--

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(1)(a) A certificate of operation may not be issued until the elevator company supervisor signs an affidavit stating that the elevator company supervisor directly supervised construction or installation of the elevator.

(1)(b) The certificate of operation is valid for a period not to exceed 2 years and shall expire at the end of the period of 1 year unless sooner suspended or revoked. The department may adopt rules establishing a procedure for certificate renewal. Certificates of operation may be renewed only for vertical conveyances having a current satisfactory inspection. The owner of an elevator operating with an expired certificate of operation is in violation of this chapter. Certificate of operation renewal applications received by the department after the date of expiration of the last current certificate must be accompanied by a late fee of \$50 in addition to the annual renewal fee and any other fees required by law. The department shall adopt by rule a fee schedule for the renewal of certificates of operation. The fees must be deposited into the Hotel and Restaurant Trust Fund. The department shall by rule adopt a fee schedule for the renewal of certificates of operation. The renewal period commences August 1 of each year.

 $\underline{(2)}$ (c) The certificate of operation must be posted in a conspicuous location on the elevator and must be framed with a transparent cover.

(d) The department shall charge an annual fee for issuance of a certificate of operation in an amount to be set by rule. However, a renewal application for a certificate of operation filed with the department after expiration date of the certificate must be accompanied by a delinquency fee of

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in addition to the annual renewal fee and any other fees required by law. The fees must be deposited into the Hotel and Restaurant Trust Fund.

(2)(a) The department may issue a temporary operation permit authorizing the temporary use of an elevator during installation or alteration to an elevator company or general contractor acting as a general agent of an elevator company. A temporary operation permit may not be issued until the elevator has been inspected by a state elevator inspector and tested under contract load; the hoistway is fully enclosed; the hoistway doors and interlocks are installed; the car is completely enclosed, including door or gate and top; all electrical safety devices are installed and properly functioning; and terminal stopping equipment is in place for a safe runby and proper clearance. When a car is provided with a temporary enclosure, the operating means must be by constant pressure push-button or lever-type switch. The car may not exceed the minimum safe operating speed of the elevator, and the governor tripping speed must be set in accordance with the operating speed of the elevator.

- (b) A temporary operation permit must be issued for a period not to exceed 30 days. The permit may be renewed at the discretion of the department.
- (c) When a temporary operation permit is issued, the permit, together with a notice bearing a statement that the elevator has not been finally approved by a state elevator inspector, must be conspicuously posted in the elevator.
- (d) The department shall charge a fee, set by rule in an amount not greater than \$100, for each temporary operation permit. The fee must be deposited in the Hotel and Restaurant Trust Fund.

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elevator in the plain view of the public.

operation has been issued.

amended to read:

(3) The certificate of operation shall contain the

(4) In addition to subsection (3), the designation "NO

text of s. 823.12, relating to the prohibition against smoking

SMOKING" along with the international symbol for no smoking

shall be conspicuously displayed within the interior of the

(5) Except for as authorized by a temporary use

authorized by this chapter operation permit, the operation or

use of any newly installed, relocated, or altered elevator is

(6) The department may suspend any certificate of

operation if it finds that the elevator is not in compliance

with this chapter or of rules adopted under this chapter. The

satisfactory results of an inspection performed by a certified elevator inspection indicating determines, by inspection, that

Section 8. Section 399.105, Florida Statutes, is

requirements of this chapter s. 399.02 or with the reasonable requests of the department to determine whether the provisions

administrative fine not greater than \$1,000 in addition to any

of a service maintenance contract and its implementation

(2) Any person who commences the operation,

ensure assure safe elevator operation is subject to an

(1) Any person who fails to comply with the reporting

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the elevator has been brought into compliance.

399.105 Administrative fines.--

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installation, relocation, or alteration of any elevator for which a permit or certificate is required by this chapter without having obtained from the department the permit or certificate is subject to an administrative fine not greater than \$1,000 in addition to any other penalty provided by law. No fine may be imposed under this subsection for commencing installation without a construction permit if such permit is issued within 60 days after the actual commencement of installation.

- (3) An elevator owner who continues to operate an elevator after notice to discontinue its use or after it has been sealed by the department is subject to an administrative fine not greater than \$1,000 for each day the elevator has been operated after the service of the notice or sealing by the department, in addition to any other penalty provided by law.
- (4) An elevator owner who fails to comply with an order to correct issued under s. 399.061(4) within 30 60 days after its issuance is subject, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, to an administrative fine set by the department in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.
- (5) All administrative fines collected shall be deposited into the Hotel and Restaurant Trust Fund.
- Section 9. Subsection (2) of section 399.106, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 399.106 Elevator Safety Technical Advisory Committee.--
- (2) The committee members shall serve staggered terms of 4 years to be set by rule without salary, but may receive from the state expenses for per diem and travel. The <u>committee</u> commission shall appoint one of the members to serve as chair.

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Section 10. Section 399.125, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

399.125 Reporting of elevator accidents or incidents; penalties.—Within 5 working days after any accident or incident occurring in or upon any elevator, the certificate of operation holder shall report the accident or incident to the division on a form prescribed by the division. Failure to timely file this report is a violation of this chapter and will subject the certificate of operation holder to an administrative fine, to be imposed by the division, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.

Section 11. Section 399.13, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

399.13 Delegation of authority to municipalities or counties.--

(1) The department may enter into contracts with municipalities or counties under which such municipalities or counties will issue construction permits, temporary operation permits, and certificates of operation; will provide for inspection of elevators, including temporary operation inspections; and will enforce the applicable provisions of the Florida Building Code, as required by this chapter. The municipality or county may choose to require inspections to be performed by its own inspectors or by private certified elevator inspectors. Each such agreement shall include a provision that the municipality or county shall maintain for inspection by the department copies of all applications for permits issued, a copy of each inspection report issued, and proper records showing the number of certificates of operation issued; shall include a provision that each required inspection be conducted by a certified elevator inspector the

holder of a certificate of competency issued by the department; and may include such other provisions as the department deems necessary.

(2) The department may make inspections of elevators in such municipality or county for the purpose of determining that the provisions of this chapter are being met and may cancel the contract with any municipality or county which the department finds has failed to comply with such contract or the provisions of this chapter. The amendments to chapter 399 by this act shall apply only to the installation, relocation, or alteration of an elevator for which a permit has been issued after October 1, 1990.

Section 12. Section 553.509, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

553.509 Vertical accessibility.--Nothing in sections 553.501-553.513 or the guidelines, except 28 C.F.R. s. 36.403, shall be construed to relieve the owner of any building, structure, or facility governed by those sections from the duty to provide vertical accessibility to all levels above and below the occupiable grade level, regardless of whether the guidelines require an elevator to be installed in such building, structure, or facility, except for:

- (1) Elevator pits, elevator penthouses, mechanical rooms, piping or equipment catwalks, and automobile lubrication and maintenance pits and platforms;
- (2) Unoccupiable spaces, such as rooms, enclosed spaces, and storage spaces that are not designed for human occupancy, for public accommodations, or for work areas; and
- (3) Occupiable spaces and rooms that are not open to the public and that house no more than five persons,
- including, but not limited to, equipment control rooms and

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However, buildings, structures, and facilities must, as a minimum, comply with the requirements in the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines.

Section 13. Effective May 1, 2003, paragraphs (c) and (h) of subsection (1) of section 553.74, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

553.74 Florida Building Commission.--

- (1) The Florida Building Commission is created and shall be located within the Department of Community Affairs for administrative purposes. Members shall be appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation by the Senate. The commission shall be composed of 23 members, consisting of the following:
- (c) One <u>air-conditioning contractor or one</u> mechanical contractor certified to do business in this state and actively engaged in the profession.
- (h) One roofing <u>or</u>, sheet metal, <u>or air-conditioning</u> contractor certified to do business in this state and actively engaged in the profession.

Section 14. Section 604.50, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

604.50 Nonresidential farm buildings.--Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, any nonresidential farm building located on a farm is exempt from the Florida Building Code and any county or municipal building code. For purposes of this section, the term "nonresidential farm building" means any building or support structure that is used for agricultural purposes, located on a farm that is not used as a residential dwelling, and that is located on land that is an integral part of a farm operation or is classified as

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           Section 15. Subsection (1) of section 627.0629,
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    Florida Statutes, as amended by chapter 2001-372, Laws of
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           627.0629 Residential property insurance; rate
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    include, but not be limited to, fixtures or construction
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    techniques which enhance roof strength, roof covering
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   performance, roof-to-wall strength,
   wall-to-floor-to-foundation strength, opening protection, and
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   window, door, and skylight strength. Credits, discounts, or
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    other rate differentials for fixtures and construction
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    techniques which meet the minimum requirements of the Florida
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    Building Code must be included in the rate filing. All
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    insurance companies must make a rate filing which includes the
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    credits, discounts, or other rate differentials by February
    28, 2003.
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           Section 16. (1) The Legislature directs the Florida
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    Building Commission to develop building code provisions that
    may be added to the Florida Building Code to facilitate the
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    rehabilitation and use of existing structures. The commission
    shall select from available national or international model
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    codes or the codes or code provisions adopted by another state
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to form the foundation for the code provisions required by
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    this section.
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              The commission shall seek consensus with fire
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   safety professionals, advocates for persons with disabilities,
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   representatives of the construction industry, land-use
   planners, building officials, and others identified by the
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   commission as having an interest in building code provisions.
   The commission may modify the selected model codes and
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   standards as needed to accommodate the specific needs of this
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   state.
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          (3) In conjunction with its code development
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   activities, the commission shall identify legislative changes
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   required to implement the code provisions developed pursuant
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   to subsections (1) and (2).
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              The commission shall report the activities
   undertaken in response to the requirements of this act to the
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   Legislature on or before January 1, 2003, as a part of the
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   annual report required by s. 553.77(1)(b), Florida Statutes.
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   Recommended code provisions and the legislative changes
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   required for implementation shall be attached as appendices to
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   the annual report.
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           Section 17. Except as otherwise provided herein, this
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   act shall take effect upon becoming a law.
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   And the title is amended as follows:
          On page 1, line 29,
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   remove: providing an effective date.
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and insert:

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amending s. 399.01, F.S.; revising and removing 1 2 definitions; requiring that elevator service 3 maintenance contracts be made available to the 4 Department of Business and Professional 5 Regulation upon request for oversight purposes; revising qualifications for an elevator 6 7 certificate of competency; amending s. 399.02, F.S.; providing that each elevator owner is 8 responsible for inspections and correction of 9 10 code deficiencies; eliminating a requirement that the department review service maintenance 11 12 contracts and determine whether they ensure safe operation; amending s. 399.03, F.S.; 13 14 revising requirements relating to the design, 15 installation, and alteration of conveyances; providing additional requirements for issuance 16 17 of elevator permits; revising reporting requirements; providing requirements for 18 temporary operation inspections; amending s. 19 20 399.049, F.S.; revising grounds for suspension or revocation of certification or registration; 21 amending s. 399.061, F.S.; eliminating the 22 requirement that annual inspections be 23 24 conducted through third-party inspection 25 services; revising reporting requirements relating to service maintenance contracts; 26 27 revising requirements relating to the correction of violations; amending s. 399.07, 28 F.S.; extending the period of validity of 29 30 certificates of operation from 1 to 2 years; 31 revising fee provisions to conform; amending s.

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399.105, F.S.; providing administrative fines 1 2 for violations relating to reporting, operating 3 a sealed elevator, and complying with 4 correction orders; eliminating a restriction on 5 the issuance of an administrative fine relating to commencing installation without a construction permit; amending s. 399.106, F.S.; 8 correcting a reference; amending s. 399.125, F.S.; eliminating the requirement to report 10 elevator incidents; amending s. 399.13, F.S.; allowing municipalities or counties that assume 11 12 elevator inspection duties to hire private 13 inspectors to conduct inspections; amending s. 553.509, F.S.; providing a federal exception to 14 15 vertical accessibility guidelines; amending s. 553.74, F.S.; revising the membership of the 16 17 Florida Building Commission; amending s. 604.50, F.S.; revising an exemption from the 18 Florida Building Code for nonresidential farm 19 buildings; amending s. 627.0629, F.S.; revising 20 timeframe for rate filing for residential 21 property insurance; requiring the Florida 22 Building Commission to develop building code 23 24 provisions to facilitate the rehabilitation and 25 use of existing structures; requiring the commission to identify legislative changes 26 27 required to implement such code provisions; requiring a report to the Legislature; 28 providing effective dates. 29 30