

By Senator Jones

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to elevator safety; amending s. 553.509,
3 F.S.; extending deadlines for owners of certain
4 residential multifamily buildings to provide verification
5 of alternative sources of power for elevators in such
6 buildings; providing an effective date.

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8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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10 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section
11 553.509, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

12 553.509 Vertical accessibility.--

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14 (b)1. At a minimum, the elevator must be appropriately
15 rewired and prepared to accept an alternate power source and
16 must have a connection on the line side of the main disconnect,
17 pursuant to National Electric Code Handbook, Article 700. In
18 addition to the required power source for the elevator and
19 connected fire alarm system in the building, the alternate power
20 supply must be sufficient to provide emergency lighting to the
21 interior lobbies, hallways, and other portions of the building
22 used by the public. Residential multifamily dwellings must have
23 an available generator and fuel source on the property or have
24 proof of a current contract posted in the elevator machine room
25 or other place conspicuous to the elevator inspector affirming a
26 current guaranteed service contract for such equipment and fuel
27 source to operate the elevator on an on-call basis within 24
28 hours after a request.

29 2. ~~By December 31, 2006,~~ Any person, firm or corporation

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30 that owns, manages, or operates a residential multifamily
31 dwelling as defined in paragraph (a) must provide to the local
32 building inspection agency verification of engineering plans for
33 residential multifamily dwellings that provide for the capability
34 to generate power by alternate means. A person, firm, or
35 corporation that has not met the requirements of this
36 subparagraph by December 31, 2006, must meet such requirements by
37 December 31, 2010. An enforcement action, fine, or other penalty
38 is not valid for a violation of this paragraph unless the
39 violation occurs after December 31, 2010.

40 3. Compliance with installation requirements and
41 operational capability requirements must be verified by local
42 building inspectors and reported to the county emergency
43 management agency ~~by December 31, 2007.~~ A person, firm, or
44 corporation that has not met the requirements of this
45 subparagraph by December 31, 2007, must meet such requirements by
46 December 31, 2011. An enforcement action, fine, or other penalty
47 is not valid for a violation of this paragraph unless the
48 violation occurs after December 31, 2011.

49 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.