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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to elevator accessibility
3	requirements; amending s. 399.035, F.S.; requiring
4	elevator car interiors to have at least one support
5	rail that meets certain specifications; providing an
6	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 (1) of section
11	399.035, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
12	399.035 Elevator accessibility requirements for the
13	physically handicapped
14	(1) Each elevator, the installation of which is begun
15	after October 1, 1990, must be made accessible to physically
16	handicapped persons with the following requirements:
17	(b) Each elevator car interior must have a support rail on
18	at least one wall. All support rails must be smooth and have no
19	sharp edges and must not be more than 1 $1/2$ inches thick or 2
20	1/2 inches in diameter. <u>At least one support rail</u> Support rails
21	must be continuous and a minimum length of 42 inches overall.
22	The inside surface of support rails must be 1 $1/2$ inches clear
23	of the car wall. The distance from the top of the support rail
24	to the finished car floor must be at least 31 inches and not
25	more than 33 inches. Padded or tufted material or decorative
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26 materials such as wallpaper, vinyl, cloth, or the like may not 27 be used on support rails.

28 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.

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