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BILL SUMMARY

- Requires the owner or operator of an elevator to post a copy of the current elevator inspection certificate in a conspicuous place in the elevator.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Existing law requires a periodic safety inspection of every elevator and the issuance of a certificate of compliance to the owner or operator thereof. The frequency of inspection is once every six months for passenger and freight elevators and escalators and once annually for power dumbwaiters, hoists, and other lifting or lowering apparatus. Generally, the owner or operator must pay a specified inspection fee for each inspection and a separate fee for the issuance of a certificate of compliance attesting to the elevator successfully passing the inspection. Inspections are performed by either general inspectors employed by the Division of Industrial Compliance of the Department of Commerce or special inspectors (usually employed by insurance companies insuring elevators) commissioned by the Division. Current law does not require any special posting of the inspection certificate. (Chapter 4105.)

The bill requires the owner or person responsible for operation of the elevator to post a copy of the current inspection certificate for the elevator in a conspicuous place "in the elevator." (Sec. 4105.15.)

Existing law imposed a fine of up to \$200 for a first offense and a fine of up to \$1,000 for a second or any subsequent offense for violation of any law relative to the operation, construction, maintenance, and repair of elevators. Presumably,

failure to post a copy of the current inspection certificate as required by the bill would subject the owner or operator to this penalty. (Sec. 4105.99.)

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