

A Bill for an Act Relating to Safety Features in Certain Buildings.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. **Purpose.** The purpose of this Act is to impose measures that will provide a degree of public safety from fire by requiring that in certain buildings with automatically operating elevators, at least one elevator shall be arranged for use by firemen.

SECTION 2. Chapter 132, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“Sec. 132- Automatic elevators. (a) Every owner, as defined in section 132-9, of a building in the State with more than five floors above or below ground, in which there is an elevator having automatic operation shall provide that one or more elevators in such building shall be arranged for use by firemen as follows:

- (1) A key-operated switch with light jewel shall be provided adjacent to the elevator at the street floor landing and may be provided at other landings subject to the discretion of the fire marshal. The key-operated switch shall remove the elevator from normal service and place it on firemen’s service.
- (2) The key-operated switch shall, when operated, cancel existing car calls, prevent registration of further car calls, prevent the opening of the elevator doors except at the landing at which the switch is located, and cause the car to travel to that landing bypassing other landing calls. The light jewel shall be illuminated when the car is re-

turning to the firemen's landing in response to the operation of the key-operated switch.

- (3) When the car arrives at the firemen's landing, the doors shall open and remain open until closed by the operation of the elevator from the car.
- (4) A key-operated switch shall be provided in the car which can be operated only by the key which operates the firemen's landing switch, and which, when operated, shall permit operation of the elevator only from the car-operating buttons and cause the elevator to bypass landing calls.

(b) The installation, operation, and maintenance of the safety feature prescribed in subsection (a) shall comply with Appendix E of the American National Standard Safety Code for Elevators A17.1-1071, as amended from time to time, and with rules and regulations promulgated in conformity with chapter 91 by the fire marshal.

(c) The fire marshal shall, after consultation with the director of labor and industrial relations as administrator of the industrial safety law under chapter 376, promulgate rules and regulations in conformity with chapter 91 necessary for the purposes of this section.

(d) Any person who violates this section shall be subject to the penalties provided in section 132-15."

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.*

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval; provided that the owner of a building affected by this Act on which construction has been completed on the effective date of this Act need not comply with this Act until January 1, 1974.

(Approved May 9, 1972.)

*Edited accordingly.