

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 16 , 2018

RE: S.B. No. 2494
S.D. 2
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred S.B. No. 2494, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELEVATOR MECHANICS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to strengthen regulatory oversight of the licensed profession of elevator mechanics by:

- (1) Amending the requirements and qualifications for the licensure of elevator mechanics, including examination, license renewal, and continuing education;
- (2) Clarifying the permissible scope of work of elevator mechanics, including remote interactions; and
- (3) Clarifying the powers and duties of the Elevator Mechanics Licensing Board (Board), including the issuance of temporary permits by the Board.

The International Union of Elevator Constructors, Local 126 supported this measure. The National Elevator Industry, Inc., Otis Elevator, KONE Inc., Schindler Elevator Corporation, thyssenkrupp Elevator Corporation, and Mitsubishi Electric US,



INC. Elevator and Escalator opposed this measure. The Board provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to January 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor & Public Employment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2494, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2494, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Labor & Public
Employment,


AARON LING JOHANSON, Chair



