

Testimony of the Elevator Mechanics Licensing Board

**Before the
House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce**

Thursday, March 31, 2022

2:00 p.m.

Conference Room 329 and Videoconference

On the following measure:

**S.B. 3084, RELATING TO THE ELEVATOR MECHANICS LICENSING BOARD
COMPOSITION**

Chair Johanson and Members of the Committee:

My name is Robert Greig, and I am the Chair of the Elevator Mechanics Licensing Board (Board). The Board supports this administration bill.

The purposes of this bill are to: (1) amend the composition of the Board by increasing the number of licensed elevator mechanic seats from four (4) to five (5); and (2) remove the Director of the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR) or the Director's designee with a licensed elevator mechanic.

This bill addresses difficulties the Board has faced in meeting quorum requirements by (1) relieving the director of DLIR of the need to dedicate personnel resources to board meetings, and (2) granting the Board more flexibility as it relates to addressing Board vacancies, which have contributed to the difficulties in meeting quorum requirements. The Board will continue to work with DLIR on an as-needed basis. The resulting flexibility will allow the Board to meet quorum, so it has the ability to ensure important decisions on applications and scope of practice issues are discussed and decided on in a timely manner.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify, and we respectfully ask the Committee to pass this administration bill.