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Bill No. Senate Bill 182

Date March 31, 1983

Title "An Act relating to elevator safety standards."

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Every three years, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers revises the safety code for installation and operation of elevators, escalators, dumbwaiters and moving sidewalks to incorporate technological advances. The 1981 code described in this bill is the most recent effort in this regard. The 1978 code presently in effect for the State of Alaska is, therefore, outdated and will not be reprinted by or otherwise be available from the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Adoption of the 1981 Elevator Safety Code would bring Alaska's minimum standards into conformity with the Basic Building Code, the National Building Code, the Standard Building Code, and the Uniform Building Code which are commonly accepted and used by industry as minimum standards. These codes are also commonly adopted by political subdivisions as the minimum standards enforced under their building inspection programs.

This bill also provides that municipalities may adopt and enforce their own elevator safety standards as long as the standards are at least as effective as the state standards. This would permit municipalities to extend their self-governing powers to this aspect of public safety if they wished. The Municipality of Anchorage presently has an elevator inspection program and conducts inspections in its jurisdiction.

The 1981 elevator safety code addresses the emergency power source provisions set out in AS 18.60.810. Repeal of this section as proposed in Section 5 of the bill is, therefore, appropriate.

The Department of Labor supports passage of this bill. It would not have any fiscal impact.

APPROVED:

Judy Knight
COMMISSIONER

4/4/83
DATE

POSITION PAPER/Department of Labor

STATE OF ALASKA
FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date: Original, 1983

I. REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No.: Senate Bill 182
 Title: "...elevator safety standards..."
 Sponsor: Senator Josephson
 Requester: Labor and Commerce

II. FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected: Labor
 Program Category Affected: Worker Protection
 BRU, Program of Subprogram(s) Affected: Labor Standards and Safety

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86	FY 87	FY 88
OPERATING						
100 PERSONAL SERVICES						
200 TRAVEL						
300 CONTRACTUAL						
400 COMMODITIES						
500 EQUIPMENT						
600 LAND & STRUCTURES						
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL						
REVENUE						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER (Specify Source)						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

III. SOURCE OF FUNDS TO OFFSET FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL:

Not applicable.

IV. ANALYSIS: Attach a separate page for any Analysis

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 Division: Labor Standards and Safety Date: March 23, 1983

Approved by Commissioner: Jim Robinson *Jim Robinson* Date: March 23, 1983
 Department: Labor

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Collateral references. — 26 Am. Jur. 2d, Elevators and Escalators, §§ 1-13.

39A C.J.S., Health and Environment, §§ 20-32.

What is "passenger elevator" within safety statute or regulation. 77 ALR2d 477.

Liability of owner or operator for injury caused by door of automatic passenger elevator. 63 ALR3d 893.

Liability of installer or maintenance company for injury caused by failure of automatic elevator to level at floor. 63 ALR3d 996.

Liability for injury caused by fall of person into shaft, or by abrupt drop, sudden movement, or stopping between floors, of automatic passenger elevator. 64 ALR3d 950.

Liability of installer or maintenance company for injury caused by door of automatic passenger elevator. 64 ALR3d 1005.

Liability of owner or operator for injury caused by failure of automatic elevator to level at floor. 64 ALR3d 1020.

Sec. 18.60.800. Elevator safety standards. (a) The 1978 edition of the American National Standards Institute Safety Code for Elevators, Dumbwaiters, Escalators and Moving Walks published by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers is adopted as the minimum elevator safety code in the state.

(b) The Department of Labor shall

(1) adopt or change regulations to carry out the provisions of AS 18.60.800 — 18.60.820;

(2) inspect and certify elevators to meet the safety requirements;

(3) establish, by regulation, fees for inspections performed under AS 18.60.800 — 18.60.820; and

(4) maintain a record of all inspections performed and of all inspection fees collected.

(c) Inspections of elevators by the department shall be performed in accordance with the procedures set out in the American National Standards Institute's Practice (Inspector's Manual — ANSI 17.2), as approved May 29, 1973.

(d) In AS 18.60.800 — 18.60.820, "elevator" includes elevators, dumbwaiters, escalators and moving walks, (§ 1 ch 44 SLA 1976; am § 1 ch 20 SLA 1979)

Effect of amendments. — The 1979 amendment, in subsection (a), substituted "1978 edition of the American National Standards Institute Safety Code" for "Department of Labor shall adopt the 1971 edition of the American National Stan-

dard Safety Code" and "elevator safety code in" for "elevator safety standards of" and inserted "is adopted"; in subsection (b), deleted "and" from the end of paragraph (1) and added paragraphs (3) and (4); and added subsections (c) and (d).

Sec. 18.60.810. Emergency power source. All elevators which do not have an alternate power source shall be equipped with an emergency power source which will produce sufficient power to provide lights inside the elevator and a ringing alarm which can be heard in the building for five hours. (§ 1 ch 44 SLA 1976)

Repeal

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NOTE (Rule 210.13): See also ANSI A117.1, Specifications for Making Buildings and Facilities Accessible to and Usable by the Physically Handicapped.

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in Sec. 5

**SECTION 211
EMERGENCY OPERATION AND
SIGNALING DEVICES**

Rule 211.1 Car Emergency Signaling Devices

Elevators shall be provided with the following signaling devices:

(a) In all buildings, the elevator shall be provided with the following:

(1) An audible signaling device, operable from the emergency stop switch and from a switch marked "ALARM" which are located in or adjacent to each car operating panel. The signaling device shall be located inside the building and audible inside the car and outside the hoistway. One signaling device may be used for a group of elevators.

(2) Means of two-way conversation between each elevator and a readily accessible point outside the hoistway. (Telephone, intercom, etc.)

If the audible signaling device, or the means of two-way conversation, or both, are normally connected to the building power supply, they shall automatically transfer to a source of emergency power within 10 sec after the normal power supply fails. The power source shall be capable of providing for the operation of the audible signaling device for at least 1 hr and the means of two-way conversation for at least 4 hr.

(b) In buildings in which a building attendant, building employee, or watchman is not continuously available to take action when the required emergency signal is operated, the elevators shall be provided with one of the following additional emergency signaling devices:

(1) A telephone connected to a central telephone exchange system.

(2) A weatherproof audible signaling device with a minimum sound rating of 80 dB operated from the alarm switch and the emergency stop switch inside the car and identified "ELEVATOR EMERGENCY—CALL POLICE", in letters not less than 2 in. (51 mm) high. The device shall be mounted on the outside of the building near the main entrance and located so that the sign can be read from the entrance sidewalk. Only one outside signal is required if operable from all cars of all elevators of the type specified in the building.

An emergency power system shall be provided conforming to the requirements of Rule 211.1(a).

(3) Means within the car for communicating with or signaling to an approved emergency service which operates 24 hr each day.

Rule 211.2 Emergency Power

An elevator may be powered by an emergency power system provided when operating on such emergency power there is conformance with the requirements of Rules 207.8 and 210.10.

EXCEPTION (Rule 211.2): Where the emergency power system is designed to operate only one elevator at a time, the energy absorption means, if required, may be located on the power side of the elevator power disconnecting means, provided all other requirements of Rule 210.10 are conformed to when operating any of the elevators the system might serve.

Other building loads such as power and light that may be supplied by the emergency power system shall not be considered as a means of absorbing the regenerated energy for the purpose of conforming to Rule 210.10 unless such loads are using their normal power from the emergency power system when it is activated.

Rule 211.3 Operation of Elevators Under Fire or Other Emergency Conditions

All elevators having a travel of 25 ft (7.62 m) or more, above or below the designated level shall conform to the requirements of Rule 211.3.

NOTE (Rule 211.3): See Section 3 for definition of "designated level."

211.3a Phase I and II Operation

(1) Phase I Emergency Recall Operation

(a) A three position (on, off, and by-pass) key-operated switch shall be provided only at the designated level for each single elevator or for each group of elevators. The key shall be removable only in the "on" and "off" positions.

When the switch is in the "off" position, normal elevator service shall be provided and the smoke detectors required by Rule 211.3a(1)(b) shall be functional. When the switch is in the "by-pass" position, normal elevator service shall be restored independent of the smoke detectors required by Rule 211.3a(1)(b).

When the switch is in the "on" position:

(1) All cars controlled by this switch and which are on automatic service shall return nonstop to the designated level and the doors shall open and remain open.

(2) A car traveling away from the designated level shall reverse at or before the next available floor without opening its doors.

(3) A car stopped at a landing shall have the in-car emergency stop switch rendered inoperative as soon as the door is closed, and the car starts toward

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May 2, 1983

Senator Joe Josephson
Alaska State Legislature
Pouch V (MS-3100)
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Subject: Senate Bill No. 182 - Referred by the Department of Labor
and Commerce - March 17, 1983

Dear Senator Josephson:

Complimenting our letter of April 12, 1983, we feel compelled to further clarify Section 1 - AS18.60.800 (a) and Section 2 - AS18.60.800 (b) (2).

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Conversely, Municipal Inspections take into account the time of the installation and existing building conditions that may not comply with codes most recently adopted.

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We can see the objectives and thinking within the Inspection Divisions of both the Municipality and State and can agree as well as disagree with both to some degree but we feel a common policy should occur.

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We further note that Section 1 - AS18.60.800 (a) is an attempt to change the inspection periods from those mandated by the ANSI Code because of insufficient number of inspectors to make the inspections during the time dictated. We do not believe that the National Code should be changed on a local basis because of budgetary restraints considering the number of passengers that must be transported every day.

Both the State of Alaska and the Municipality of Anchorage are currently behind in their inspections because of the number of installations within their areas and this number is increasing weekly. It is the writers opinion that we cannot arbitrarily change the law for the convenience of a few to the detriment of many.

Should you wish to discuss the implications of this bill further we would ask that you contact the writer for further explanations.

Very truly yours,

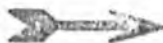
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J. D. Verlinde
Manager - ALASKA

cc: Senator John Sackett
Senator Don Bennett
Senator Pat Rodey
Senator Richard Eliason
Senator Bob Mulcahy
Duane Houck, Department of Labor
John Bishop, Municipality of Anchorage
Mike Smith, Municipality of Anchorage

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Subject: Senate Bill No. 182 - Referred by the Department of Labor
and Commerce - March 17, 1983

Dear Senator Josephson,

We have reviewed Senate Bill No. 182 and must express our concern regarding the change to the elevator safety standards.

Section 2 - AS18.60.800 (b)(2) permits inspections to be made in a Municipality at the option of the Municipal Inspection Division.

OTIS Elevator installs the majority of all elevators within and outside the Municipality of Anchorage and have found that the State of Alaska Elevator Inspection Division is most competent, fair and thorough although somewhat short handed.

Inspections for new installations have to be scheduled in advance (two to six weeks) to assure that an Inspector is available at the time the project is completed.

The code you are adopting does not permit the operation of the elevator without the approved inspection tests, which we feel is appropriate.

However, due to the number of installations we install and maintain, the single inspector the State has is extremely pressed to make all the additional annual safety inspections.

Moreover, we express our concern within the Municipality of Anchorage because of the degree of sophistication of the elevator equipment and the large population of people using this type of equipment.

In the last several years the State has given over the inspection duties to the Municipality on the assumption that all inspections would be made in accordance with the ANSI code and will be at least as stringent if not more so than State Inspections.



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The State at that time kept the right to make spot checks on Municipal elevators should it be determined that safety hazards and other considerations be involved.

It is the writers opinion that current inspections being made by the Municipality are not as indepth as those made by the State.

Certain requirements being forced upon owners outside the Municipality are not being requested on similar installations within the Anchorage area.

Every nine days OTIS Elevators alone move the equivalent of the worlds population and we are exposed to tremendous liabilities. Subsequently, we encourage professional safety inspections by both our service mechanics, installation crews and the appropriate inspection agency to ensure that all aspects of the installation are within the ANSI guidelines.

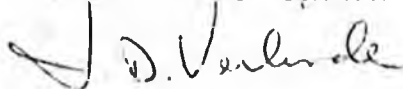
By the same token we would encourage the Municipality to become more stringent in their inspections as we fear that any new competitors that come into our State may take shortcuts in installation and maintenance services to provide more attractive pricing with their products or services.

Although we realize the section indicates that it is up to the Commissioner to determine that the inspection and certification by the Municipality adequately protect the public we feel that this is a provision which will be ineffectively regulated and enforced. We feel the Commissioner is not intimately familiar with elevator systems and unless the inspectors are in constant training they themselves will not be able to understand the "workings" of the new computerized equipment.

We respectfully request that you reconsider your Senate Bill and not ammend Section 2 AS18.60.800 (b)(2).

Respectfully submitted,

OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY



J. D. Verlinde
Manager - Alaska

CC: Senator John Sackett
Senator Don Bennett
Senator Pat Rodey
Senator Richard Eliason
Senator Bob Mulcahy

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SB 182 TITLE & SPONSOR SUMMARY

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AMENDED TITLE:

AN ACT RELATING TO ELEVATOR SAFETY STANDARDS

PRIME SPONSOR: JOSEPHSON.

CO-SPONSORS:

CURRENT STATUS: 6/27/83 CHAPTER 0031 SLA 83

SB 182 SENATE ACTION

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03/17/83	01	0418	FIRST READING -- COMMITTEE REPORTS
04/06/83	02	0590	L&C --- DP02, NR01
04/06/83	03	0590	L&C F/NOTE EQUALS ZERO
04/12/83	04	0669	RLS -- OTHER04 TAKEN UP IMMEDIATELY
04/12/83	05	0671	SECOND READING
04/12/83	06	0671	ADVANCED TO 3RD READING BY UNAN CONSENT
04/12/83	07	0671	THIRD READING
04/12/83	08	0672	PASSED BY DIV 19-00-01
06/15/83	15	1330	TRANSMITTED TO GOVERNOR
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COMMITTEE REPORT
SENATE

FURTHER:

3/17/83

Date: 4/15/83

Mr. President:

The Committee on LABOR & COMMERCE has had SB 132

Relating to elevator safety standards

under consideration and (a majority of the committee) (the committee) reports it back with the following recommendations:

- do pass do not pass
- do pass with attached amendments(s) same title
- replace with CS for _____ new title
- and recommends _____
- AND attaches a "Letter of Intent" New Fiscal Note
- reports it back without recommendation
- referred to the _____ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING
DO PASS

[Signature]

MEMBERS HAVING
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

[Signature]

CHAIRMAN

SENATE LABOR AND COMMERCE
STANDING COMMITTEE
April 5, 1983
1:35 p.m.

Members Present: Senator Dick Eliason, Chair
Senator Bob Mulcahy
Senator Pat Rodey

Members Absent: Senator Don Bennett
Senator John Sackett

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

SB 182

"An Act relating to elevator safety standards."

SJR 20

"Supporting passage of J.R. 1176 and S. 137 in the Congress of the United States, amending the Internal Revenue Code to allow certain home mortgage bonds to continue to be tax-exempt."

SB 188

"An Act relating to bank holding companies."

WITNESS REGISTER

(SB 182)

Judy Knight, Special Assistant to the Commissioner
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Position statement: Department supports SB 182.

(SB 188)

Willis Kirkpatrick, Director, Division of Banking, Securities and
Corporations, Dept. of Commerce and Economic Development
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Position statement: Knows of no opposition to SB 188.

PREVIOUS ACTION

(In Senate Labor and Commerce only.)

No previous action on any of these measures.

ACTION NARRATIVE

Tape #17
Number 008

Senator Eliason called the meeting to order with members Senator Rodey and Senator Mulcahy present. Senate Bill 182, concerning elevator safety standards. Senator Josephson, prime sponsor, had provided a memorandum on the measure for the information of committee members.

Judy Knight, Special Assistant to the Commissioner of the Department of Labor, provided the department position on the measure. She stated that the department supports SB 182, which adopts the 1981 American National Standards Institute Safety Code, and permits municipalities to adopt and enforce standards at least as strict as those set forth in the Code.

Sen. Mulcahy inquired if it was that case that existing elevator operations will not be affected by passage of this legislation, for example, old elevators will not need to have telephones installed, etc.

Number 100

Judy responded that this was correct. Just future elevator construction will conform to the new safety requirements. This bill will not affect existing elevators. There is one elevator inspector for the state, and Anchorage has one to serve their municipal inspection program. The inspector covers elevators, and amusement rides. There are 886 elevators in the state (425 in Anchorage are covered by the City Inspector), and the inspector is quite busy with 225 inspections per year.

Number 193

Senator Rodey moved that SB 182 be passed out of committee with individual recommendations, his own a "do pass". There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Number 203

SJR 20, concerning the amending of the Internal Revenue Code to allow certain home mortgage bonds to continue to be tax-exempt, was taken up for consideration. Senator Rodey, prime sponsor, described the measure as the companion to House Joint Resolution 37. The committee developed the intention, with Sen. Rodey's agreement, to have the Senate pass HJR 37. Senator Rodey outlined the matters addressed by the resolution. He explained that the savings to the state would be great if the tax-exempt mortgage bonds program is continued. He has heard no opposition to the measure, and feels that the program it supports is desirable, especially in Alaska. Senator Rodey then suggested using the House Resolution as a vehicle to pass the measure. Senator Eliason suggested that the committee pass out SJR 20 and waive referral of HJR 37 in order to expedite its arrival in the Rules Committee.

Senator Rodey moved that SJR 20 be passed out of committee with individual recommendations. There were no objections, it was passed out.

Number 280

Senator Rodey then

addressed SB 188, of which he is also the prime sponsor. The measure relates to bank holding companies. Its purpose is to allow all financial institutions "to be on a level playing field", to establish parity. Sen. Rodey stated that the bill has unanimous support, including from the Div. of Banking, Securities and Corporations.

Number 340

Willis Kirkpatrick, Director of the Division of Banking, Securities and Corporations described the purpose of the measure. The bill makes a single change in the domestic bank holding companies section of the Alaska Banking Code. The problem is that domestic bank holding companies, of which Alaska presently has four, are prohibited from establishing new banks in the state, and recently formed banks are prohibited from establishing domestic bank holding companies. (These prohibitions went into effect as a result of passage of a comprehensive interstate banking bill last session. The problem described above had not been previously detected or anticipated.) Mr. Kirkpatrick knows of no reason why there would be opposition to the measure.

Number 426

Wes Coyner, lobbyist for Alaska Bankers Association, did not testify on the measure, but the committee members asked if he supported the measure. He stated that he did not oppose the measure, he supported it. Senator Rodey moved that SB 188 be passed out with individual recommendations. There being no objections, it was so moved.

Number 435

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

TO: Senator Eliason, Chairman
Senate Labor & Commerce

FROM: Senator Josephson

DATE: April 5, 1983

RE: SENATE BILL 132 "An act relating to elevator safety standards."

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, Senate Bill 182 is before you today as another of those concerns to which we legislators must pay close attention. It is a house cleaning measure.

Every three years, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers revises and adopts the safety code for installation and operation of elevators, escalators, dumb waiters, and moving sidewalks, recognizing the most recent technology in the field. The 1981 code described in this bill is the most recent effort in this state to meet those standards.

Adoption of the 1981 Elevator Safety Code would bring Alaska's minimum standards into conformity with the Basic Building Code, the National Building code, the Standard Building Code, and the Uniform protective devices, alteration, repairs, and/or replacements. Other important features which are incorporated in the code are those regarding venting, as well as the operation of elevators under fire or other emergency conditions. It adopts the current National Safety Practice's inspector's manual as the guide for Department of Labor elevator inspectors.

The bill further permits municipalities to adopt their own standards for safety as long as the minimum standards do not conflict with minimum state standards. Currently, the Municipality of Anchorage has adopted an elevator code and performs inspections within its jurisdiction.

The bill has no fiscal impact.

SB 179 (cont'd)

authority, public corporation, or other unit of state government may assign the duties, powers, and privileges of the membership to a subordinate employee who has status at least equivalent to division director, subject to the approval of the governor. A delegation of membership under this subsection must be in writing and is effective until the principal executive officer revokes the delegation, resigns or otherwise forfeits office, or is no longer qualified to be a member." Does not provide for an effective date (becomes law 90 days after Governor's signature).

Introduced March 15 and referred to Judiciary.

Bering Sea
Herring
Fishery
(stripping
of fish)

SENATE BILL NO. 180, by Senator Ferguson. See House Bill No. 267, page 323, identical.

Introduced March 15 and referred to Resources.

Appropriations
(supplemental)
(Anch. land
deficiency
entitlement)

SENATE BILL NO. 181, by Senators V. Fischer, Faiks, Halford, Josephson, Kelly, Pettyjohn, Rodey and Sturgulewski. Would appropriate a total of \$5 million to the Department of Natural Resources to pay the land deficiency entitlement for the Municipality of Anchorage authorized under AS 29.18.208 for fiscal years 1982 (\$4 million) and 1983 (\$1 million). Unspent portion lapses on July 1, 1983. Effective immediately.

AS 29.18.208 of the 1978 municipal land entitlement settlement (General Land Grant, AS 29.18.201 - 213) provides for cash payments to municipalities in which there is not enough suitable state land to satisfy the land grant. Provides: "A municipality is eligible to receive payment for land deficiency if, after July 1, 1980, the amount of land selected by a municipality which is physically suitable for residential, commercial or industrial purposes amounts to less than one-third acre per capita. . . . A municipality eligible under this subsection is entitled to receive a payment for land deficiency equal to \$1,000 per acre for a number of acres equal to the difference between one-third of the population of the municipality less the number of acres physically suitable for residential, commercial or industrial purposes which has been selected by the municipality." Anchorage was granted 44,893 acres under the municipal land settlement.

Introduced March 17 and referred to Resources and Finance.

Elevator
Safety
Standards

SENATE BILL NO. 182, by Senator Josephson. Would allow municipalities to adopt more stringent elevator safety standards than those required by the state under AS 18.60.800. Would amend law so that the state Dept. of Labor is not required to inspect elevators in a municipality that has adopted its own standards, as long as the Commissioner of Labor "determines that inspection and certification by the municipality adequately protect the public."

Would adopt as the minimum safety code for the state the 1981

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Does not provide for an effective date (becomes law 90 days after Governor's signature).

Introduced March 17 and referred to Labor & Commerce.

Municipal
Debts for
Judicial
Services
Services
(forgiving)

SENATE BILL NO. 183, by Senator Josephson. Would forgive certain debts owed the state by municipalities for judicial services rendered by the state. The bill provides: "All debts incurred by a political subdivision under AS 22.15.270 before it was amended by sec. 1, ch. 219, SLA 1976, that are unpaid on the effective date of this Act are forgiven by the state."

AS 22.15.270 relates to the retention of fines, etc. by political subdivisions of the state. It provides that in cases handled by the District Courts of the state, all fines, penalties and forfeitures resulting from violations of ordinances of political subdivisions must be returned to the political subdivision whose ordinance is involved. Before it was amended in 1976 it also provided: "The political subdivision shall pay to the state administrative director of the court for transfer to the general fund of the state such sums as will pay for the judicial services rendered to the political subdivision by the district judge or magistrate rendering the services."

Provides for an immediate effective date.

Note: the provisions of SB 183 were amended onto HB 377 last session by the Senate Judiciary Committee and passed the Senate on May 13. May 14 the House voted unanimously to return the bill to the Senate asserting that under the Uniform Rules and Mason's Manual, the amendment to HB 377 was not germane. HB 377 as it initially passed the House established penalties for the crime of "intimidation."

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL ANALYSIS

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Subject of Proposed Bill:

"Elevator Safety Standards"

Background Information:

Every three years, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers revises and adopts the safety code for installation and operation of elevators, escalators, dumb waiters, and moving sidewalks, recognizing the most recent technology in this field. Existing elevator installations will not be required to meet the updated standards,

Summary:

The bill amends AS 18.60.800 to adopt the 1981 Safety Code which conforms to 1) the Basic Building Code; 2) the National Building Code; 3) the Standard Building Code; and 4) the Uniform Building Code with respect to fire resistance ratings, earthquake protective devices, alteration, repairs, and/or replacements. Therefore, all codes are uniform in addressing the safety codes for installation of elevators, escalators, etc. Other important features which are incorporated in the code are those regarding venting, as well as the operations of elevators under fire or other emergency conditions. It adopts the current National Safety Practice's inspector's manual as the guide for Department of Labor elevator inspectors.

The bill adds AS 18.60.830, to provide that municipalities may adopt their own standards as long as those standards are at least as stringent as those required under AS 18.60.800. Currently, the Municipality of Anchorage has adopted an elevator code and performs inspections within its jurisdiction. AS 18.60.810 is repealed in Section 4 of the bill. The current safety code adopted in Section 1 of the bill requires an emergency power source for elevators, making AS 18.60.810 unnecessary.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: (FY '83 - FY '87)

To the state: -0-

To others: -0-

Constituent Groups:

Opposed: N/A

In Favor: City of Anchorage

As submitted by Sen. Josephson

Bill Fact Sheet

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