

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1230 Session of 2024

INTRODUCED BY BAKER, MAY 29, 2024

SENATOR ROBINSON, LABOR AND INDUSTRY, AS AMENDED, JUNE 11, 2024

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled
2 "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the
3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the
4 Executive Department thereof and the administrative
5 departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof,
6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or
7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or
8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative
9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and
10 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative
11 officers, and of the several administrative departments,
12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the
13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive
14 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of
15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and
16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards,
17 and commissions; providing for judicial administration; and
18 prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation
19 of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of
20 certain departments, boards and commissions shall be
21 determined," in powers and duties of the Department of Labor
22 and Industry, its departmental administrative and advisory
23 boards and departmental administrative officers, further
24 providing for Elevator Safety Board.

25 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
26 hereby enacts as follows:

27 Section 1. Section 2214.1(f) of the act of April 9, 1929
28 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, is
29 amended to read:

1 Section 2214.1. Elevator Safety Board.--* * *

2 (f) †(1) The board shall recommend regulations to the <--
3 Secretary of Labor and Industry relating to construction,
4 maintenance and inspection of elevators and safe operation of
5 elevators. The board may consult with engineering authorities
6 and other appropriate organizations regarding the application of
7 elevator industry codes and standards.

8 (2) The Secretary of Labor and Industry shall review any
9 recommendations for regulations submitted by the board and, if
10 the secretary approves the recommendations, shall promulgate
11 regulations consistent with the recommendations.† <--

12 (3) The board may grant exceptions and variances from the
13 requirements of applicable codes and standards or regulations if
14 the changes would not jeopardize the safety and welfare of the
15 general public or individuals employed in the elevator industry.
16 The Department of Labor and Industry shall accept applications
17 for all exceptions and variances and shall make recommendations
18 on the applications to the board.

19 (4) The board may hold hearings and hear appeals on matters
20 relating to this section in accordance with regulations and
21 procedures established by the board in consultation with the
22 Department of Labor and Industry.

23 (5) (i) Commencing January JULY 1, 2025, the applicable <--
24 elevator code for the Commonwealth shall be the ASME A17.1-2016.
25 Subsequently, the Elevator Safety Board shall adopt a more <--
26 recent version of ASME A17.1 every three (3) years.

27 (ii) Prior to January 1, 2025, the Elevator Safety Board may
28 adopt ASME A17.1 2016 or an update subsequent to ASME A17.1 2016
29 as the applicable elevator code for the Commonwealth.

30 (iii) (II) For the purposes of this paragraph, the term <--

1 "ASME" shall mean the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

2 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.