

No. 30

AN ACT

SB 445

Amending the act of May 2, 1929 (P.L.1518), entitled, as amended, "An act regulating the construction, equipment, maintenance, operation and inspection of elevators; granting certain authority to and imposing certain duties upon the Department of Labor and Industry; providing fees for inspection of elevators, certificates of operation, and approval of plans; providing penalties for violations of this act; and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act," increasing certain fees and authorizing additional persons to inspect elevators.

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

Section 1. Sections 4 and 5, act of May 2, 1929 (P.L.1518), entitled, as amended, "An act regulating the construction, equipment, maintenance, operation and inspection of elevators; granting certain authority to and imposing certain duties upon the Department of Labor and Industry; providing fees for inspection of elevators, certificates of operation, and approval of plans; providing penalties for violations of this act; and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act," reenacted and amended April 8, 1937 (P.L.277), and amended May 22, 1953 (P.L.202), are amended to read:

Section 4. Examination of Inspectors and Fees Therefor.—No person shall inspect elevators unless he has passed a written examination prescribed by the department. Application for examination shall be made in writing, upon a form furnished by the department, and shall be accompanied by an examination fee of **[fifteen dollars (\$15)] twenty dollars (\$20)**. If the applicant is successful in passing the said examination, a certificate of competency and a commission shall be issued upon the payment of an additional fee of **[seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50)] ten dollars (\$10)**. All inspectors shall be required to secure a new credential card each year, by application to the department, which application shall be accompanied by a fee of **[three dollars (\$3)] five dollars (\$5)**. The Secretary of Labor and Industry may suspend any commission for due cause, but no commission may be revoked until the inspector has been granted a hearing.

Section 5. Inspection of Insured Elevators.—If an elevator is insured by a company authorized to insure elevators in this Commonwealth against loss from accident, the inspection **[may] shall** be made by an employe of such company, **duly licensed under section 4 of this act, or any employe, duly licensed under section 4 of this act, of a firm engaged in the making of inspections on a fee or contract basis when performing inspections on such basis for an insurance carrier** and the only fee collectible by the Commonwealth shall be the certificate fee of **[two dollars (\$2)] five dollars (\$5)** hereinafter provided for in this act.

Section 2. Sections 10 and 11 of the act, amended July 25, 1961 (P.L.855), are amended to read:

Section 10. Fees for Inspection.—The fee for the certificate of operation for all insured and uninsured elevators shall be **[four dollars (\$4)] five dollars (\$5)**. When elevators are inspected by inspectors of the department, the following fee shall be charged in addition to the certificate fee:

For passenger elevators, fees not exceeding **[twenty-eight dollars (\$28)] thirty-six dollars (\$36)** per annum.

For freight elevators, including gravity elevators, fees not exceeding **[fourteen dollars (\$14)] eighteen dollars (\$18)** per annum.

For dumb-waiters, hoists and other lifting apparatus, fees not exceeding **[seven dollars (\$7)] nine dollars (\$9)** per annum.

For building hoists, fees not exceeding **[seven dollars (\$7)] nine dollars (\$9)** for each inspection.

Section 11. Plans, Permits and Inspections.—(a) Before any elevator shall be erected and installed, detailed plans and specifications of the said apparatus, in duplicate, shall be submitted to the department for approval. The application for the approval of plans of elevators shall be accompanied by the following fees: Dumb-waiters, **[seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50)] nine dollars (\$9)**; freight elevators, **[ten dollars (\$10)] thirteen dollars (\$13)**; and passenger elevators, **[fifteen dollars (\$15)] nineteen dollars (\$19)**. If the said plans are approved, a permit for the erection and installation of such elevator shall be issued by the department, and a final inspection shall be made of the apparatus when installed and ready for operation, before final approval shall be given by the department. The elevator shall not be operated until such final inspection and approval be given, unless a temporary permit be granted by the department.

(b) No elevator shall hereafter be repaired, renovated or reerected when the changes involve major repairs unless a permit is obtained from the department. Major repairs are those likely to involve reinspection or testing and may be more specifically defined by rules and regulations established by the department. When repairs or changes are extensive, the department may require that duplicate plans and specifications be submitted to it before a permit is granted. The fee for such permit shall be **[fifteen dollars (\$15)] nineteen dollars (\$19)** for passenger elevators and **[ten dollars (\$10)] thirteen dollars (\$13)** for freight elevators. Where major repairs have been made on an elevator or lifting apparatus, it shall not again be operated until a final inspection or test and approval by the department has been given. The testing or inspection fee shall be **[five dollars (\$5)] nine dollars (\$9)**.

APPROVED—The 2nd day of March, A. D. 1970.

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The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly
No. 30.



Robert J. Kelley
Secretary of the Commonwealth.