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1475 Introduction and first reading
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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to labor and industry; modifying the elevator contractor licensing
1.3 requirements for work on certain equipment; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022,
1.4 sections 326B.163, subdivision 5, by adding a subdivision; 326B.164, subdivision
1.5 13.

1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 326B.163, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

1.8 Subd. 5. **Elevator.** As used in this chapter, "elevator" means moving walks and vertical
1.9 transportation devices such as escalators, passenger elevators, freight elevators, dumbwaiters,
1.10 hand-powered elevators, endless belt lifts, and ~~wheelchair~~ platform lifts. Elevator does not
1.11 include external temporary material lifts or temporary construction personnel elevators at
1.12 sites of construction of new or remodeled buildings.

1.13 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 326B.163, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.14 to read:

1.15 Subd. 5a. **Platform lift.** As used in this chapter, "platform lift" means a powered hoisting
1.16 and lowering device designed to transport mobility-impaired persons on a guided platform.

1.17 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 326B.164, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

1.18 Subd. 13. **Exemption from licensing.** (a) Employees of a licensed elevator contractor
1.19 or licensed limited elevator contractor are not required to hold or obtain a license under this
1.20 section or be provided with direct supervision by a licensed master elevator constructor,
1.21 licensed limited master elevator constructor, licensed elevator constructor, or licensed limited
1.22 elevator constructor to install, maintain, or repair platform lifts and stairway chairlifts.

2.1 Unlicensed employees performing elevator work under this exemption must comply with
2.2 subdivision 5. This exemption does not include the installation, maintenance, repair, or
2.3 replacement of electrical wiring for elevator equipment.

2.4 (b) Contractors or individuals shall not be required to hold or obtain a license under this
2.5 section when performing work on:

2.6 (1) conveyors, including vertical reciprocating conveyors;

2.7 (2) platform lifts not covered under section 326B.163, subdivision 5a; or

2.8 (3) dock levelers.