

House File 2456 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 667)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing an exception to the Iowa state elevator code
2 for certain multi-story commercial buildings in specified
3 circumstances.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 89A.2, subsection 1, Code 2020, is
2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. *f.* A conveyance installed in a building in a
4 federally designated national historic district as long as each
5 of the following conditions is met:

6 (1) The owner of the building owns a commercial enterprise
7 that occupies the first story of the building.

8 (2) The building has no more than two stories above the
9 first story of the building.

10 (3) The owner of the building lives in the upper stories of
11 the building.

12 (4) The building has sufficient physical barriers or safety
13 protocols to ensure that only the owner, the owner's guests, or
14 a government official acting in an official capacity can access
15 the elevator.

16 EXPLANATION

17 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
18 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

19 This bill establishes an exception to Code chapter 89A, the
20 "Iowa State Elevator Code", for a conveyance installed in a
21 building in a federally designated national historic district
22 as long as certain conditions are met. The conditions are that
23 the owner of the building owns a commercial enterprise that
24 occupies the first story of the building, the building has no
25 more than two stories above the first story of the building,
26 the owner of the building lives in the upper stories of the
27 building, and the building has sufficient physical barriers or
28 safety protocols to ensure that only the owner, the owner's
29 guests, or a government official acting in an official capacity
30 can access the elevator.

31 Code chapter 89A defines "conveyance" as an elevator,
32 dumbwaiter, escalator, moving walk, lift, or inclined or
33 vertical wheelchair lift subject to regulation under Code
34 chapter 89A, including hoistways, rails, guides, and all other
35 related mechanical and electrical equipment.