

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## HB 1828

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Establishing inspection requirements for private residence conveyances.

**Sponsors:** Representative Van Luven.

**House Committee on Commerce & Labor**

**Senate Committee on Financial Institutions, Insurance & Housing**

**Senate Committee on Commerce & Labor**

**Background:** The Department of Labor and Industries administers and enforces a statutory program providing for the safe operation, erection, installation, alteration, inspection, and repair of elevators, escalators, dumbwaiters, belt manlifts, moving walks, and other similar conveyances. The department has adopted rules and has established fees for the enforcement and administration of the statute.

The statute applies to publicly and privately owned conveyances. An operating permit is required for each conveyance operated in the state.

An installation permit must be obtained from the department before a conveyance is built, installed, moved, or altered. A permit is not required for repairs or replacement normally necessary for maintenance when parts of equivalent materials, strength, and design are used.

The statute requires annual inspection and testing of conveyances by the department.

**Summary:** Private residence conveyances operated exclusively for single-family use must be inspected and tested only when a permit is issued for installing, moving, or altering the conveyance, or when the Department of Labor and Industries investigates accidents or violations of the statute governing conveyances.

At the request of an owner, the department may perform additional inspections of a private residence conveyance. The department may not perform an inspection until an owner pays a fee assessed by the department.

A private residence conveyance— means a conveyance installed in or on the premises of a single-family dwelling and operated to transport persons or property from one elevation to another.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

House 97 0

Senate 46 0

**Effective:** July 27, 1997