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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 03/11/13

SPONSOR Ivey-Soto LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE Study Elevators and Escalators SM 95

ANALYST Chabot

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY13	FY14	FY15	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total		Could be substantial			Nonrecurring	General Fund/Other State Funds

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Memorial 95 requests the Regulation and Licensing Department (RLD) conduct a study of elevators and escalators throughout the state to determine their location and condition and prepare a report that includes any proposed statute or rule changes to improve public safety and report to an appropriate interim Legislative Committee.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

There is no appropriation and funding would have to come from the agency operating budget.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The memorial states there is no inventory of, or records of commercial or residential elevators and escalators and aging infrastructure may pose a threat to the public safety. Twenty-one states have passed legislation on elevator and escalator machinery. The memorial further states public safety could be improved by establishing jurisdiction of the Construction Industries Division of RLD to oversee elevators and escalators.

RLD would have an extensive effort to identify all building with elevators and escalators throughout the state, perform a mechanical and safety evaluation, and develop a report.

SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

The General Services Department should be included to provide assessments of elevators in state owned buildings.

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