



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 375**

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Substitute House Bill No. 5164

*House of Representatives, April 12, 2021*

The Committee on Public Safety and Security reported through REP. HORN of the 64th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

## **AN ACT CONCERNING INSTALLERS OF RESIDENTIAL VERTICAL PLATFORM LIFTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 20-340f of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) Not later than December 31, 2016, the Commissioner of Consumer  
4 Protection, after consultation with the Elevator Installation, Repair and  
5 Maintenance Board established pursuant to section 20-331, shall adopt  
6 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to establish  
7 a residential stair lift technician's license. Not later than December 31,  
8 2021, the commissioner, after consultation with the Elevator Installation,  
9 Repair and Maintenance Board, shall amend such regulations to  
10 establish a residential vertical platform lift technician's license. Such  
11 regulations shall include, but need not be limited to, the amount and  
12 type of experience, training, continuing education and examination  
13 requirements, if any, for a person to obtain and renew [such] a  
14 residential stair lift technician's license and a residential vertical

15 platform lift technician's license.

16 (b) The initial fee for a residential stair lift technician's license or a  
17 residential vertical platform lift technician's license shall be one hundred  
18 fifty dollars and the renewal fee for each such license shall be seventy-  
19 five dollars. Licenses shall be valid for a period of one year from the date  
20 of issuance.

21 (c) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the holder of an occupational  
22 license issued pursuant to this chapter that allows the installation and  
23 repair of residential stair lifts or residential vertical platform lifts from  
24 performing such work. A holder of such occupational license shall not  
25 be required to obtain a residential stair lift technician's license or a  
26 residential vertical platform lift technician's license.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	20-340f

**Statement of Legislative Commissioners:**

In Subsec. (b), "and" was changed to "or" and "each" was added for clarity.

**PS**            *Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO*

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

**OFA Fiscal Note**

**State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 22 \$	FY 23 \$
Resources of the General Fund	GF - Potential Revenue Gain	Less than 1,000	Less than 1,000

Note: GF=General Fund

**Municipal Impact:** None

**Explanation**

The bill establishes a residential vertical platform lift technicians license within the Department of Consumer Protection resulting in a potential revenue gain of less than \$1,000 to the extent this new license is applied for. The initial license has a fee of \$150 and an annual renewal fee of \$75.

**The Out Years**

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to the number of licenses applied for.

**OLR Bill Analysis**

**HB 5164**

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**SUMMARY**

This bill establishes a residential vertical platform lift technician’s license. The license is valid for one year from the date of issuance. The initial license fee is \$150 and the renewal fee is \$75.

By December 31, 2021, the consumer protection commissioner, after consulting with the Elevator Installation, Repair and Maintenance Board, must amend existing residential stair lift regulations to establish the license. The regulations must include the amount and type of experience, training, continuing education, and exam requirements, if any, to obtain or renew the license.

Under the bill, licensed tradespeople (e.g., unlimited contractor elevator licensee) whose licenses allow them to install and repair vertical platform lifts may continue to do so and are not required to obtain a residential vertical platform lift technician’s license.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 23    Nay 1    (03/24/2021)