



SB 353

**AAC THE PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION RELATED TO THE
MAINTENANCE OF ELEVATORS**

Testimony of the Department of Administrative Services

Government Administration & Elections Committee

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Senator Flexer, Representative Blumenthal, Senator Sampson, Representative Mastrofrancesco, and distinguished members of the Government Administration and Elections Committee. We thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on Senate Bill 353, *An Act Concerning the Public Availability of Information Related to the Maintenance of Elevators*.

As the agency that houses the Office of the State Building Inspector and that is responsible for certification and inspections of elevators, the Department of Administrative Services appreciates the importance of elevator safety and the goal of having information related to the maintenance of elevators publicly available. Unfortunately, the software application that we currently utilize to maintain relevant elevator data does not have the ability to support a searchable online electronic database of the type described in this bill.

In order to implement this proposal, DAS would be required to procure and roll out a new application. To do so, the department would need to ensure that we have appropriate funds for such an expense, issue a Request for Proposals, review bids, select the software, and have adequate time and resources to go live with the system. Additional staff resources would also likely be required to develop and maintain such a system. The department would be happy to work with the proponents of the bill to discuss the funds and timeline that would be required to achieve the goals of this proposal.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony and share our thoughts with the Committee.

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