# Report to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Legislature As required by Act 178, Session Laws of 2005 Requiring the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to submit a detailed report on the Boiler and Elevator Safety section of the Hawaii Occupational Safety and Health Branch In Accordance With the Legislature's Intent

This report responds to Act 178, Session Laws of Hawaii 2005, requiring a report from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations ("DLIR") regarding the Boiler and Elevator Safety ("B&E") inspection branch of the Hawaii Occupational Safety and Health ("HIOSH") division. Act 178, Session Laws of Hawaii 2005, requires that the report shall include, but not be limited to the amount of expenditures, the amount of revenues, and effectiveness of the safety program and shall include the complete report from the previous fiscal year.

The DLIR was not previously required to provide fiscal performance reports of the B&E branch prior to Act 178. Therefore, the DLIR is unable to provide the Legislature with a report from the previous fiscal year. Additionally, the B&E branch collects inspection and citation data on a calendar year basis, so the inspection and citation data presented in this report reflects calendar year 2004. As a result of Act 178, the DLIR will begin collecting data on a fiscal year basis.

#### Background

The B&E inspection branch is 100 percent funded through general funds. The branch performs safety and compliance inspections and accident investigations involving equipment, facilities and operations related to elevators, dumbwaiters, escalators, moving walks and ramps, inclined lifts, manlifts, tramways and amusement rides, boilers, pressure vessels, pressuring piping and systems, and related equipment.

Further, the branch administers licensing examinations for boiler and elevator inspectors, provides on-the-job training and continuous standardization training for inspectors

The B&E inspection branch consists of two separate sections: The Boiler Section and the Elevator Section.

#### **Boiler Section**

The Boiler Section reviews and approves plans for and inspects boilers, pressure vessels, piping, and related equipment in all places throughout the State of Hawaii ("State") for compliance with the National Boiler Code.

Additionally, the section also prepares inspection reports and orders deficiencies, makes recommendations, and takes follow-up actions as necessary. The section also

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investigates accidents and issues reports on findings and recommendations, as well as provides expert testimony for legal purposes. The section also reviews findings from reports hired from insurance carriers and insures the company corrects any defects stated in the report.

Further, the section also maintains a current Commission from the National Board and Pressure Vessel Inspectors.

#### Elevator Section

The Elevator Section plans for and inspects facilities and operations related to elevators, dumbwaiters, escalators, moving walks and ramps, inclined lifts, manlifts, tramways and amusement rides in all places throughout the State for compliance with national codes.

Additionally, the section also prepares inspection reports and orders deficiencies, makes recommendations, and takes follow-up actions as necessary. Further, the section also reviews installation plans for new equipment, modifications and repair and recommends action for compliance with safety codes. The section also investigates accidents and issues reports on findings and recommendations, as well as provides expert testimony for legal purposes.

#### **Report on General Fund**

Name of Law: Boiler and Elevator Safety

Legal-Authority: Chapter 397, HRS

Fund Type: General (A) Approp. Acct. No.: G-05-143-L

Financial Data				
	FY 2005	FY 2006		
Beginning Appropriation Balance	844,736	810,337		
Encumbrances	(185,983)			
Revenues	0			
Expenditures	(636,208)			
Transfers (List Each Transfer by JV# and Date)				
Net Total Transfers	0			
Amount Derived from Bond Proceeds	0			
Ending Appropriation Balance	22,545			
Amount Required for Bond Covenants as of 7/1/05				
Amount held in Certificates of Deposit, Escrow				
Accounts, or Other Investments as of 7/1/05				

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#### **Performance Numbers** (Calendar Year 2004)

#### **Boiler Section**

Inspections:	4,442
Certificates issued:	2,595
New Boiler Pressure plans reviewed and approved:	1,008
Citations:	4
Accidents:	0

#### **Elevator Section**

Inspections:	2,644
Citations:	0
Accidents:	72

57 accidents were reported on escalators due to falls. Investigations into all 72 accidents found no fault with the operator and equipment.

#### Conclusion

The effectiveness of the Boiler and Elevator inspection branch is self-evident as the number of citations and accidents are extremely low, while the branch conducted a significant amount of inspections and issued a significant amount of certificates. Based on these findings, the B&E inspection branch has performed proficiently.

### Report on Non-General Fund Information 2004—2005

**Department of Labor & Industrial Relations** 

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Legal Authority: Chapter 397, HRS

Fund Type (Method of Funding): General (A)
Appropriation Account No.: G-05-143-L

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#### **Report on General Fund Information**

for Submittal to the 2006 Legislature

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