

**LETTERHEAD OF THE LIFT AND ESCALATOR
CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION**

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For the attention of Mr Law Yu-wing

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BY FAX AND POST

Dear Mr Law

SUBJECT: LIFTS AND ESCALATORS (SAFETY) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1998

Upon reviewing the subject Bill 1998, we have the following opinions regarding the "**Registers of lift engineers and escalator engineers and qualifications for inclusion therein**" to seek for your considerations.

Section 5 (c): by repealing subsection (2A)

We strongly disagree with the amendment on the qualification of RLE/REE in deleting the clauses Section 5(2A). In the lift industry, we believe that the practical experience is far more important and valuable than academic knowledge. By raising the academic qualification, it is not fair to those aggressive workers with very valuable practical experiences. Moreover, every person can apply for the written examination held by the three universities in Hong Kong and it is not fair also to those people without academic qualification but passing the written examination.

In Section 5(2)(a)

The Hong Kong Polytechnic should be renamed as Hong Kong Polytechnic University.

Finally, we wish that can be taken into your consideration to remain this Section 5(2A) back in the Lifts and Escalators (Safety) Ordinance.

Thank you for your kind assistance.

Yours sincerely
for and on behalf of
The Lift & Escalator Contractors Association

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President

cc All LECA Members