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A Local Law in relation to requiring the department of buildings to report on the efficacy of elevator brake monitors and remote elevator monitoring systems

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. As used in this local law:

Brake monitor. The phrase "brake monitor" means software or a device that is installed on an elevator and is designed to identify when an elevator brake fails to disengage and which has the capability to shut down the elevator, or reset the elevator.

Remote electronic monitoring system. The phrase "remote electronic monitoring system" means software or a device installed on an elevator that remotely checks whether elevators are properly functioning, and logs all elevator error messages.

§ 2. By no later than December 31, 2017, the department of buildings shall prepare and file with the mayor and the council, and post on its website, a report analyzing whether brake monitors and remote electronic monitoring systems enhance elevator safety and, if so, the feasibility of requiring the installation of such monitors and systems on all elevators in residential buildings.

§ 3. This local law takes effect immediately.

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