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PUBLIC ACT SUMMARY



**PA 14-29—sSB 291**

*Public Safety and Security Committee*

*Government Administration and Elections Committee*

**AN ACT CONCERNING CRANE OPERATIONS**

**SUMMARY:** This act postpones, by three years, to October 1, 2017, implementation of the provisions of PA 12-99 scheduled to take effect on October 1, 2014. Among other things, these provisions broaden the definition of cranes, thereby expanding the types of equipment and operators subject to state licensing and regulation; expand examination and testing requirements for crane operators; and exempt certain people from licensing requirements.

Before October 1, 2014 when the new definition of crane was scheduled to take effect, PA 12-99 allowed the Crane Examiners Board to develop and administer written and practical examinations for, and issue licenses to, operators of cranes meeting the new definition. The act allows the board to do so before PA 12-99's definition takes effect on October 1, 2017.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Upon passage, except the provision pertaining to the development and administration of examinations takes effect October 1, 2017.

**BACKGROUND**

*Cranes and PA 12-99*

PA 12-99 was passed in anticipation of new federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standards governing cranes and derricks. Some of the act's changes took effect on October 1, 2012 and others were scheduled to take effect on October 1, 2014, when OSHA's standards were to go into effect. OSHA has delayed adoption of its final rule until November 2017.

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