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Overview

This bill requires that operators of large cranes on construction sites be certified, with some exceptions.

Section

- 1** **Certification required.** Requires that persons operating cranes with a lifting capacity of five tons or more on construction sites be certified by a nationally recognized and accredited certification program. Requires a renewal certification every five years.
- 2** **Exceptions.** Provides exceptions to section 0 for persons being trained by a certified crane operator; certain railroad employees; persons employed by utilities, industrial manufacturing plants or municipalities; persons subject to inspection under a federal mine safety law; persons engaged in boating, fishing, agriculture, or arboriculture; persons working for the merchant marine or uniformed (military) services; personal use on one's own land; and emergency situations.
- 3** **Penalties.** Makes a violation of this act subject to a fine of not more than \$500.
- 4** **Effective date.** Makes the bill effective July 1, 2007.