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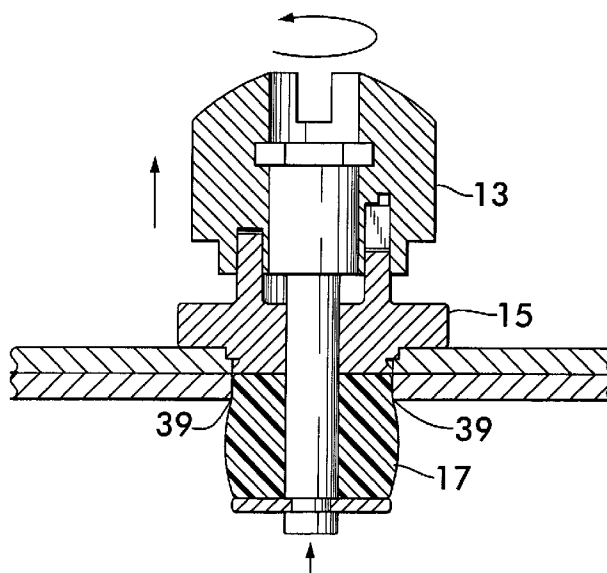
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(57) **Abstract:** A self-contained assembled fastener (11) includes a retainer (15), a through-pin (24) assembled to an over-molded knob (13), a rubber sleeve (17), and an end cap (19). The retainer (15) includes a radially disposed upward-facing cam ramp (26) that cooperates with a like cam ramp (29) on the knob (13) affixed to the pin (24). To secure two panels (12, 14) the retainer base is first fastened to a first panel preferably by clinch-type attachment (16) with the center pin extending through the retainer and through the two panels to be attached to the opposite side of the second panel. The rubber sleeve (17) is slidably fitted around the end of the pin (24) and is retained axially by an end cap (19). When the pin is turned, the cam-action between the pin ramp and the retainer ramp withdraws the pin axially upward from the retainer compressing the rubber sleeve and causing it to bulge against the backside of the second panel.



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