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#### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Providing Handrails for Stairs in Public Buildings.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., T. 25, § 2451-A, additional. Title 25 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 2451-A to read as follows:

## § 2451-A. Handrails

There shall be a proper handrail on at least one side of a commonly used stairway on the outside of every public building. The Insurance Commissioner shall, by regulation, define "proper handrail." A public building shall mean a structure to which the public customarily has access and utilizes and which is constructed, in whole or in part, with funds of the State or one or more of its political subdivisions.