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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 495

S. P. 188

In Senate, January 31, 1973

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Clifford of Androscoggin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Requiring the Ramping of Curbs at Crosswalks for Physically
Handicapped and Elderly Persons.

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

R. S., T. 29, § 1, sub-§ 2, ¶ A and B, additional. Subsection 2 of section 1 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end 2 new paragraphs A and B, to read as follows:

A. The standard for construction of curbs on each side of a way in any municipality for which curbs have been prescribed by the governing officials of the municipality shall include not less than 2 ramps per lineal block. Such ramps shall be located on the crosswalks at intersections; and shall be at least 40 inches wide and so constructed as to allow reasonable access to the crosswalk for physically handicapped and elderly persons.

B. Standards set for curb ramping under paragraph A shall not apply to any existing curb on the effective date of this Act; but shall apply to all new curb construction and to all replacement curbs constructed at any point in a block which gives reasonable access to a crosswalk.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The intent of this bill is to make the facilities and services normally offered to residents of our municipalities more accessible to the physically handicapped and elderly citizens residing in our municipalities.