

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1111

H. P. 941

House of Representatives, March 4, 1981

Referred to the Committee on Transportation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Gwadosky of Fairfield.

Cosponsors: Representative Fitzgerald of Waterville and Representative Racine of Biddeford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Provide for Sound Crossing Signals for the Blind.

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

29 MRSA § 954-A is enacted to read:

§ 954-A. Audible pedestrian control signals

Any traffic control signal installed or replaced on or after June 1, 1982 at any intersection which includes a pedestrian crosswalk shall be equipped with a pedestrian control signal which emits an audible sound to indicate when pedestrians may cross within the crosswalk.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to require audible pedestrian crossing signals at intersections with crosswalks. This will enable visually impaired persons to safely negotiate such crosswalks.