



## **118th MAINE LEGISLATURE**

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S.P. 775

In Senate, January 20, 1998

An Act to Update the Guide Dog Access Law.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec. Cosponsored by Representative TESSIER of Fairfield and Senators: CLEVELAND of Androscoggin, BENOIT of Franklin, Representatives: ETNIER of Harpswell, BELANGER of Caribou, HONEY of Boothbay.

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

Sec. 1. 17 MRSA §1312, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 584, 4 §1, is amended to read:

б 4. Especially trained guide dog trainer; access to facilities; responsibilities. An especially trained guide dog trainer, while engaged in the actual training process 8 and activities of guide dogs, shall--have has the same rights, 10 privileges and responsibilities described in this section with respect to access to-public-facilities and use as are applicable to a blind, visually handicapped or otherwise physically disabled 12 person.

## SUMMARY

This bill provides guide dog trainers, while engaged in training a guide dog, all rights of access and use as are provided to a blind, visually handicapped or otherwise physically

disabled person who uses a guide dog.

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