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CHAPTER 604

H.P. 1483 — L.D. 2017

AN ACT Requiring that Curb Ramps be Constructed in Accordance with the American National Standards Institute Standards.

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

Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §706, as amended by PL 1975, c. 94, is further amended to read:

§706. Curbs

1. Location or construction. The Department of Transportation shall develop or approve standards for the location or construction of curbs on each side of a way in the business district or area as defined by the department, of any municipality for which curbs have been prescribed. Such standards shall provide for the location and construction of ramps so as to allow reasonable access to the crosswalks for physically handicapped and elderly people. Prior to October 1, 1988, these standards shall be adopted in a form to fully implement the specifications in the American National Standards Institute publication "Specifications for Making Buildings and Facilities Accessible to and Usable by Physically Handicapped People" (ANSI A 117.1, 1986).

2. Application. Standards set for curb ramping under subsection 1 shall not apply to any existing curb on October 3, 1973; but shall apply, to the extent reasonable, to all new curb construction and to all replacement curbs constructed in order to allow reasonable access to crosswalks after that date and prior to October 1, 1988, and shall apply to any new construction or reconstruction commenced after October 1, 1988.

3. Physically handicapped; adequate ramping. Adequate and reasonable access shall be provided for the safe and convenient movement of physically handicapped persons, including those in wheelchairs, across curbs constructed or replaced on or after July 1, 1976, at all pedestrian crosswalks throughout the State.

Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act shall take effect October 1, 1988.

Effective October 1, 1988.

CHAPTER 605

H.P. 1539 — L.D. 2094

AN ACT to Clarify Late Charges for Residential Dwelling Units.

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

14 MRSA §6028, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 215, is amended to read:

A landlord may assess a penalty against a residential tenant for late payment of rent for a residential dwelling unit according to this section.

Effective August 4, 1988.

CHAPTER 606

H.P. 1571 — L.D. 2142

AN ACT Relating to Nonforfeiture and Valuation Standards for Fraternal Benefit Societies.

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

Sec. 1. 24-A MRSA §4116, 2nd and last ¶¶, as enacted by PL 1969, c. 132, §1, are amended to read:

In the case of certificates other than those for which reserves are computed on the Commissioners 1941 Standard Ordinary Mortality Table, the Commissioners 1941 Standard Industrial Table or, the Commissioners 1958 Standard Ordinary Mortality Table, or such later tables as authorized for use by domestic life insurers, the value of every paid-up nonforfeiture benefit and the amount of any cash surrender value, loan or other option granted shall not be less than the excess, if any, of 1 over 2 as follows:

In the case of certificates for which reserves are computed on the Commissioners 1941 Standard Ordinary Mortality Table, the Commissioners 1941 Standard Industrial Table or, the Commissioners 1958 Standard Ordinary Mortality Table, or such later tables as authorized for use by domestic life insurers, every paid-up nonforfeiture benefit and the amount of any cash surrender value, loan or other option granted shall not be less than the corresponding amount ascertained in accordance with the provisions of the laws of this State applicable to life insurers issuing policies containing like insurance benefits based upon such tables.

Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §4134, sub-§6, ¶B, as amended by PL 1973, c. 625, §158, is further amended to read:

B. The minimum standard of valuation for certificates issued after January 1, 1970 shall be such interest assumptions and tables as authorized for use by domestic life insurers or 3 1/2% interest and the following tables:

(1) For certificates of life insurance: American Men Ultimate Table of Mortality, with Bowerman's or Davis' extension thereof or with the consent of the superintendent, the Commissioners 1941 Standard Ordinary Mortality Table, the Commissioners 1941 Standard Industrial Mortality Table or the Commis-