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- B. Navy Cross;
- C. Air Force Cross;
- D. Silver Star;
- E. Distinguished Flying Cross;
- F. Bronze Star;
- G. Soldier's Medal:
- H. Navy or Marine Corps Medal;
- I. Airman's Medal;
- J. Coast Guard Medal;
- K. Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal;
- L. European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal;
- M. Korean Service Medal;
- N. Vietnam Service Medal;
- O. Southwest Asia Service Medal;
- P. Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal;
- Q. Kosovo Service Medal;
- R. Korea Defense Service Medal;
- S. Global War on Terrorism Medal;
- T. Iraq Campaign Medal;
- U. Afghanistan Campaign Medal;
- V. United States Army Combat Infantry Badge;
- W. United States Army Combat Medic Badge;
- X. United States Army Combat Action Badge;
- Y. United States Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard Combat Action Ribbon:
- Z. United States Air Force Combat Action Medal: and
- AA. National Emergency Service Medal-; and BB. Air Medal.

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CHAPTER 9 S.P. 80 - L.D. 236

An Act To Update Accessibility Requirements on Highways

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

Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §706, as amended by PL 1987, c. 604, §§1 and 2, 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. 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. Federal compliance. Standards set developed by the Department of Transportation 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 must comply with applicable federal standards.
- 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.

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CHAPTER 10 S.P. 73 - L.D. 227

An Act To Exclude Cardboard Beverage Containers from the Laws Governing Returnable Beverage Containers

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

- **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §3102, sub-§2,** as enacted by PL 2015, c. 166, §14, is amended to read:
- 2. Beverage container. "Beverage container" means a bottle, can, jar or other container made of glass, metal or plastic that has been sealed by a manufacturer and at the time of sale contains 4 liters or less of a beverage. "Beverage container" does not include a container composed, in whole or in part, of aluminum and plastic or aluminum and paper in combination as long as the aluminum content represents 10% or less of the unfilled container weight, the container materials represent 5% or less of the total weight of the container and its contents and the container is filled with a nonalcoholic beverage. "Beverage con-