

A bill to amend 1973 PA 8, entitled
"An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of side-
walks for use by handicapped persons,"
by amending the title and section 1 (MCL 125.1361).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 TITLE

2 An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of
3 sidewalks for use by ~~handicapped~~ persons WITH DISABILITIES.

4 Sec. 1. A sidewalk ~~hereafter~~ constructed or reconstructed
5 AFTER APRIL 12, 1973 on public or private property for public use
6 within this state, whether constructed by a public agency or a
7 person, firm, corporation, nonprofit corporation, or organiza-
8 tion, shall be constructed in a manner that will facilitate use
9 by ~~physically handicapped~~ persons WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES.
10 At points of intersection between pedestrian and motorized lines

1 of travel, and at other points ~~where~~ WHEN necessary to avoid
2 abrupt changes in grade, a sidewalk shall slope gradually to
3 street level so as to provide an uninterrupted line of travel.
4 The STATE TRANSPORTATION department ~~of state highways~~ shall
5 prescribe standards of slope gradient, width, and slip-resistant
6 qualities ~~which~~ THAT will assure that a sidewalk ~~will~~
7 ~~accommodate~~ ACCOMMODATES a person in a wheelchair or other
8 ~~handicapped~~ persons WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES. All agencies
9 of state and local government including school districts and
10 other groups aforementioned, public or private, shall comply with
11 these standards and ~~the provisions of~~ this act when undertaking
12 construction or reconstruction of affected streets, curbs, or
13 sidewalks, except that a local unit of government may adopt ordi-
14 nances ~~which~~ THAT provide for standards at least equal to those
15 provided by the STATE TRANSPORTATION department. ~~of state~~
16 ~~highways.~~