The introductory clause of this section is new language added, in conformity to apparent legislative intent, for clarity.

Defined term: "Handicapped individual" § 2-501

2-509. STANDARDS.

(A) IN GENERAL.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES, SHALL PUBLISH MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR FACILITIES FOR HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS. THE STANDARDS SHALL CONFORM TO AMERICAN STANDARDS ASSOCIATION SPECIFICATION A 117.1-1961, AS MODIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES.

(B) APPLICATION OF STANDARDS.

THE STANDARDS MAY NOT REQUIRE FACILITIES FOR HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS IN ANY PART OF A PUBLIC BUILDING THAT IS NOT OPEN TO OR USED BY THE GENERAL WORKING FORCE OR THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

(C) COMPLIANCE.

THE APPROPRIATE CONTRACTING AUTHORITY SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR ANY PUBLIC BUILDING BUILT BY THE STATE, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE, OR A PUBLIC AUTHORITY MEET THE STANDARDS ADOPTED UNDER THIS SECTION.

(D) FILING.

THE STANDARDS SHALL BE FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 78A, § 51(e), (f), and the first and second sentences of (d).

In subsection (a) of this section, the reference to the Department of General Services is substituted for the former reference to the Department of Public Improvements to conform to former Art. 41, § 231D, which abolished the Department of Public Improvements and transferred the former duties of the Department of Public Improvements to the Department of Services.

Also in subsection (a) of this section, the former reference to July 1, 1968, is deleted as obsolete.

Also in subsection (a) of this section, the former reference to the Department of General Services modifying the standards "in cooperation with Governor's Study Group on Vocational Rehabilitation" is deleted as obsolete since the Governor's Study