

7-704. RIGHTS OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.

(A) PUBLIC PLACES.

BLIND, VISUALLY IMPAIRED, DEAF, AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS HAVE THE SAME RIGHT AS INDIVIDUALS WITHOUT THOSE DISABILITIES TO THE FULL AND FREE USE OF THE ROADS, SIDEWALKS, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, PUBLIC FACILITIES, AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES.

(B) PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS AND CONVEYANCES.

(1) BLIND, VISUALLY IMPAIRED, DEAF, AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS ARE ENTITLED TO FULL AND EQUAL RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES WITH RESPECT TO COMMON CARRIERS AND OTHER PUBLIC CONVEYANCES OR MODES OF TRANSPORTATION, PLACES OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS, AND OTHER PLACES TO WHICH THE GENERAL PUBLIC IS INVITED, SUBJECT ONLY TO ANY CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS OF GENERAL APPLICATION ESTABLISHED BY LAW.

(2) THE FAILURE OF A BLIND OR VISUALLY IMPAIRED PEDESTRIAN TO CARRY A CANE PREDOMINANTLY WHITE OR METALLIC IN COLOR, WITH OR WITHOUT A RED TIP, OR A DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING PEDESTRIAN TO USE A SERVICE DOG WEARING AN ORANGE LICENSE TAG OR ORANGE COLLAR AND ON A LEASH, OR TO USE A SERVICE DOG IN A PLACE, ACCOMMODATION, OR CONVEYANCE LISTED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT CONSTITUTE CONTRIBUTORY NEGLIGENCE PER SE.

(C) HOUSING ACCOMMODATIONS.

(1) THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO ANY ACCOMMODATIONS OR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE IN WHICH THE OCCUPANTS OFFER FOR COMPENSATION NOT MORE THAN ONE ROOM.

(2) A BLIND OR VISUALLY IMPAIRED INDIVIDUAL IS ENTITLED TO THE SAME ACCESS AS OTHER MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO HOUSING ACCOMMODATIONS IN THE STATE, SUBJECT TO ANY CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS OF GENERAL APPLICATION ESTABLISHED BY LAW.

(3) A BLIND, VISUALLY IMPAIRED, DEAF, OR HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS, OBTAINS, OR MAY WISH TO OBTAIN A SERVICE DOG IS ENTITLED TO FULL AND EQUAL ACCESS TO HOUSING ACCOMMODATIONS.

(4) A BLIND, VISUALLY IMPAIRED, DEAF, OR HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUAL WHO IS ACCOMPANIED BY A SERVICE DOG MAY NOT BE REQUIRED TO PAY EXTRA COMPENSATION FOR THE SERVICE DOG, BUT THE INDIVIDUAL MAY BE LIABLE FOR DAMAGES TO THE PREMISES OR FACILITIES THAT THE SERVICE DOG CAUSES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 30, § 33(c), (d)(1) and (3), and (i)(1), (4), and the fifth through eighth clauses of (2).

In subsection (a) of this section, the reference to "roads" is substituted for