

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Environmental Barriers Act is amended by  
5 changing Section 4 as follows:

6 (410 ILCS 25/4) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 3714)

7 Sec. 4. Standards. The Capital Development Board shall  
8 adopt and publish accessibility standards. Accessibility  
9 standards for public facilities shall dictate minimum design,  
10 construction and alteration requirements to facilitate access  
11 to and use of the public facility by environmentally limited  
12 persons. Accessibility standards for multi-story housing units  
13 shall dictate minimum design and construction requirements to  
14 facilitate access to and use of the common areas by  
15 environmentally limited persons and create a number of  
16 adaptable dwelling units in accordance with Section 5. With  
17 respect to areas within public facilities or multi-story  
18 housing units which areas are restricted to use by the  
19 employees of businesses or concerns occupying such restricted  
20 areas, the Capital Development Board shall promulgate  
21 standards designed to ensure that such areas will be accessible  
22 to those environmentally limited persons who can reasonably be  
23 expected to perform the duties of a job therein.

1           The standards shall be adopted and revised in accordance  
2 with the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act. Beginning on  
3 the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General  
4 Assembly, the Capital Development Board shall begin the process  
5 of updating the 1997 Illinois Accessibility Code and shall  
6 model the updates on the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible  
7 Design. By no later than January 1, 2017 ~~2016~~, the Capital  
8 Development Board shall adopt and publish the updated Illinois  
9 Accessibility Code. The updated Illinois Accessibility Code  
10 may be more stringent than the 2010 ADA Standards for  
11 Accessible Design and may identify specific standards.  
12 Beginning on January 1, 2017 ~~2016~~, if the ADA Standards for  
13 Accessible Design are updated, then the Capital Development  
14 Board shall update its accessibility standards, in keeping with  
15 the ADA Standards for Accessible Design, within 2 years after  
16 the ADA Standards for Accessible Design updates and shall adopt  
17 and publish an updated Illinois Accessibility Code.

18           The Capital Development Board may issue written  
19 interpretation of the standards adopted under Section 4 of this  
20 Act. The Capital Development Board shall issue an  
21 interpretation within 30 calendar days of receipt of a request  
22 by certified mail unless a longer period is agreed to by the  
23 parties. Interpretations issued under this Section are project  
24 specific and do not constitute precedent for future or  
25 different circumstances.

26           (Source: P.A. 98-224, eff. 1-1-14.)

1           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
2           becoming law.