

## **Building Board Policy Regarding Enhanced Accessibility to State Facilities**

Adopted on July 11, 2001

“It is the policy of the Utah State Building Board that, when appropriate for the intended use of the building and achievable within the project budget, the following accessibility enhancements beyond those required by the Americans with Disabilities Act be provided for in state owned buildings and buildings leased by DFCM: (1) powered door openers for the primary entrance designated for use by people with disabilities, and (2) powered door openers for one uni-sex restroom or for one male and one female restroom in the building unless restrooms with a door-less entry are provided. This policy is not intended to limit the use of powered door openers to the standard set forth herein. This policy applies to the construction or major renovation of state-owned facilities and new leases where the entire building is being leased by DFCM. This policy is not intended to create any rights to any third parties.

Determinations that one or both of these enhancements are not appropriate for the intended use of the building or not possible within the project or lease budget shall be made by the Director or his designee. Determinations of whether this enhancement to accessibility is appropriate should consider the potential of access by people with disabilities. The Director may determine that powered door openers are appropriate for the primary entrance while not warranted or not possible within the budget for access to restrooms. The Director may also determine that one or both of these enhancements are not feasible in (a) the renovation of an existing building due to its design or configuration or (b) in a leased facility due to the nature and circumstances of the lease.”