



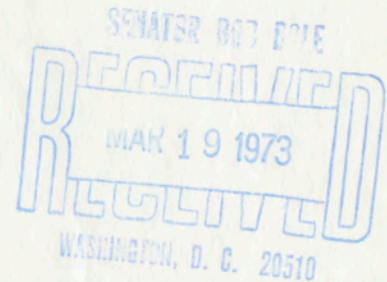
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March 16, 1973

The Honorable Bob Dole
United States Senate
Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510



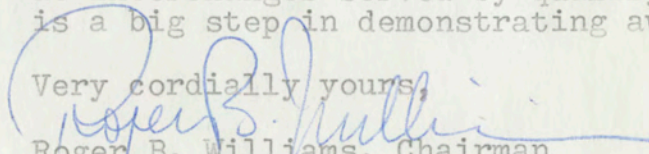
Dear Senator Dole:

I am writing to make two requests. I have had an opportunity to read S.1105 in the Congressional Record, and would like to request an explanation of its operation to present it to the layman. As you are aware, we are conducting a community-wide program of removal of architectural barriers. I suspect that no direct press release pertaining to this bill was made to our local newspaper, and therefore our committee is bending every effort to do some public relations work on its behalf. The operation of the bill would seem to me, and I am not a tax lawyer, to allow the private businessman the opportunity to deduct his expense in architectural barrier removal in its entirety at the end of the current tax year, rather than to have to depreciate over the life of the improvement as with the normal capital improvement. I am very reluctant to offer my interpretation, however, and I therefore request that you send me an explanation of the expected operation of S.1105 so that I may accurately represent it in any public statement that I may make.

✓ My second request is this: The university librarian has recommended that because the GPO stock is likely to be depleted, I should request your office to obtain and send to me two copies of the following (one for Robert Harris): A Barrier-free Environment for the Elderly and the Handicapped, Hearings before the Special Committee on Aging, United States Senate, 92nd Congress, Parts 1-3, Oct. 18, 19 and 20, 1971.

We are making notable new progress in our activity. The Kansas Turnpike Authority advised me today they will honor my request to make all restaurant areas fully accessible, and to erect the International Symbol of Access at interchanges served by qualifying motels, etc. That is a big step in demonstrating awareness in your state.

Very cordially yours,


Roger B. Williams, Chairman
University Committee for the Architecturally Handicapped

April 18, 1973

Mr. Roger Williams, Chairman
University Committee for the
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The University of Kansas
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Dear Roger:

Enclosed please find two copies of Parts 1-3 of A Barrier-free Environment for the Elderly and the Handicapped (Hearings before the Special Committee on Aging), two copies of S 1105 and the press release on S1105, and a copy of S 1579, a bill I recently introduced.

Your interpretation of S1105 is correct. It will allow the private businessman to deduct his expense in the removal of architectural barriers in its entirety at the end of the current tax year.

If you have any other questions regarding this legislation, please contact me. For your further information I have enclosed a copy of the press release sent to the Lawrence paper. I certainly appreciate your effort in public relations for this bill.

I am extremely pleased about your progress with respect to the Kansas Turnpike Authority. Your Committee has been responsible for bringing about a great awareness of handicapped people and the barriers they face.

Thank you for your support. If I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely Yours,

BOB DOLE
U. S. SENATE

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Enclosures