

**IC 22-9-6 Chapter 6. Equal Access to Housing for Persons With Disabilities**

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**IC 22-9-6-1 "Person with a disability" defined**

Sec. 1. (a) As used in this chapter, and unless otherwise indicated by the context, "person with a disability" means an individual who, by reason of physical or mental defect or infirmity, whether congenital or acquired by accident, injury, or disease, is or may subsequently be totally or partially prevented from achieving the fullest attainable physical, social, economic, mental, and vocational participation in the normal process of living.

(b) "Persons with disabilities" includes persons who are blind, persons who have a visual disability, and other persons with a physical disability.

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*As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.132. Amended by P.L.23-1993, SEC.135; P.L.99-2007, SEC.188.*

**IC 22-9-6-2 "Housing accommodations" defined**

Sec. 2. (a) As used in this chapter, "housing accommodations" means:

(1) real property, or part of real property, that is used or occupied, or is intended, arranged, or designed to be used or occupied, as the home residence or sleeping place of at least one (1) person; or

(2) single family residence, the occupants of which rent, lease, or furnish for compensation not more than one (1) room of the residence.

(b) The term does not include hotels, lodging places, or other places of public accommodations, amusement, or resort of a transient nature.

[Pre-1993 Title 16 Recodification Citation: 16-7-5.5-1(a).]

*As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.132.*

**IC 22-9-6-3 Full and equal access to housing**

Sec. 3. All persons with disabilities are entitled to full and equal access, as other members of the public, to all housing accommodations offered for rent, lease, or compensation in Indiana.

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*As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.132. Amended by P.L.23-1993, SEC.136.*

**IC 22-9-6-4 Modification of property not required**

Sec. 4. This chapter does not require a person renting, leasing, or providing for compensation real property to modify the person's property in any way to provide a higher degree of care for a person with a disability than for a person without a disability.

[Pre-1993 Title 16 Recodification Citation: 16-7-5.5-3.]

*As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.132. Amended by P.L.23-1993, SEC.137; P.L.99-2007, SEC.189.*

**IC 22-9-6-5 Guide dogs not grounds for refusing to rent**

Sec. 5. A person renting, leasing, or providing real property for compensation shall not refuse to accept a person with a disability as a tenant due to the fact that the person with a disability has a guide dog that assists the person with a disability in overcoming a particular

disability.

[Pre-1993 Title 16 Recodification Citation: 16-7-5.5-4.]

*As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.132. Amended by P.L.23-1993, SEC.138.*

**IC 22-9-6-6                      Civil rights complaint**

Sec. 6. A person who feels the person's rights under this chapter have been violated may submit a complaint to the civil rights commission under IC 22-9-1-6. The civil rights commission shall determine whether the complaint requires action to be taken under IC 22-9-1-6.

[Pre-1993 Title 16 Recodification Citation: 16-7-5.5-5.]

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