
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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ROZZI, PYLE, JAMES, KINSEY AND STEPHENS, DECEMBER 9, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, DECEMBER 9, 2013

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in registration of vehicles, further providing for
3 person with disability plate and placard; and, in rules of
4 the road in general, further providing for additional parking
5 regulations.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Section 1338(d) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
9 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

10 § 1338. Person with disability plate and placard.

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12 (d) Penalty.--Any person violating this section commits a
13 summary offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay
14 a fine [of not more than \$100.] as follows:

15 (1) Two hundred fifty dollars for a first offense.

16 (2) Five hundred dollars for a second offense.

17 (3) Seven hundred fifty dollars for a third or
18 subsequent offense.

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2 Section 2. Section 3354(d) (3) (i) and (f) of Title 75 are
3 amended and the section is amended by adding a subsection to
4 read:

5 § 3354. Additional parking regulations.

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7 (d) Person with a disability and disabled veterans.--

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9 (3) (i) Except for persons parking vehicles lawfully
10 bearing a person with a disability or severely disabled
11 veteran registration plate or displaying a person with a
12 disability or severely disabled veteran parking placard when
13 such vehicles are being operated by or for the transportation
14 of a person with a disability or a severely disabled veteran,
15 no person shall park a vehicle on public or private property
16 reserved for a person with a disability or severely disabled
17 veteran which property has been so posted in accordance with
18 departmental regulations. Regulations shall require that
19 parking spaces designated with an international symbol for
20 access for persons with disabilities on a sign are posted
21 with a sign stating the penalty amount indicated in
22 subsection (f) and that vehicles in violation of the
23 subsection may be towed and require that signs be replaced
24 when they become either obsolete or missing with all costs to
25 replace the necessary signs to be borne by the persons
26 responsible for signing the particular location. The sign
27 shall state, in effect, if you see a vehicle parking in this
28 space that does not bear a person with a disability or
29 severely disabled veteran registration plate or displaying a
30 person with a disability or severely disabled veteran parking

1 placard, call the toll-free telephone number established or
2 designated under subsection (d.1). The absence of a sign
3 stating the penalty amount at parking spaces designated with
4 an international symbol for access for persons with
5 disabilities shall not preclude the enforcement of this
6 subsection. A vehicle which is unlawfully parked in a
7 designated person with a disability parking area may be
8 removed from that area by towing and may be reclaimed by the
9 vehicle owner upon payment of the towing costs. A vehicle may
10 only be towed under this paragraph if the parking space is
11 posted with a sign indicating that vehicles in violation of
12 this section may be towed.

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14 (d.1) Hotline.--The department shall establish or designate
15 a toll-free telephone number to report violations under
16 subsection (e).

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18 (f) Penalty.--A person violating subsection (a), (b) or (d)
19 (1) is guilty of a summary offense and shall, upon conviction,
20 be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$15. A person
21 violating subsection (d) (2) or (3) or (e) is guilty of a summary
22 offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine
23 [of not less than \$50 nor more than \$200.] as follows:

24 (1) Two hundred fifty dollars for a first offense.

25 (2) Five hundred dollars for a second offense.

26 (3) Seven hundred fifty dollars for a third or
27 subsequent offense.

28 If a person is convicted under subsection (d) (2) or (3) in the
29 absence of a sign stating the penalty amount, the fine imposed
30 may not exceed \$50.

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2 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.