THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, MARCH 16, 2023

AN ACT

1 2 3	Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of the road in general, further providing for additional parking regulations.
4	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5	hereby enacts as follows:
6	Section 1. Section 3354(d)(2), (2.1) and (3)(ii) and (h) of
7	Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended
8	to read:
9	§ 3354. Additional parking regulations.
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11	(d) Person with a disability and disabled veterans
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13	(2) At the request of a person with a disability or
14	severely disabled veteran[, local]:
15	(i) Local authorities may erect on the highway as
16	close as possible to the person's or veteran's place of
17	residence a sign or signs indicating that that place is
18	reserved for a person with a disability or severely

1 disabled veteran, that no parking is allowed there by 2 others, and that any unauthorized person parking there 3 shall be subject to a fine and may be towed. The absence of a sign stating the penalty amount indicated in 4 5 subsection (f) at parking spaces designated with an international symbol for access for persons with 6 7 disabilities on a sign shall not preclude the enforcement 8 of this subsection. A vehicle may only be towed under 9 this [paragraph] subparagraph if the parking space is 10 posted with a sign indicating that vehicles in violation 11 of this section may be towed.

12 (ii) Cities shall erect on the highway as close as 13 possible to the person's or veteran's place of residence 14 a sign or signs indicating that that place is reserved for a person with a disability or severely disabled 15 veteran, that no parking is allowed there by others and 16 17 that any unauthorized person parking there shall be 18 subject to a fine and may be towed. The absence of a sign 19 stating the penalty amount indicated in subsection (f) at 20 parking spaces designated with an international symbol 21 for access for persons with disabilities on a sign shall 22 not preclude the enforcement of this subsection. A 23 vehicle may only be towed under this subparagraph if the 24 parking space is posted with a sign indicating that 25 vehicles in violation of this section may be towed.

26 (2.1) Local authorities <u>and cities</u> may limit access to a
27 parking space reserved under paragraph (2) to a specific
28 vehicle, license plate or other method of designation. Under
29 this paragraph, local authorities <u>and cities</u> may charge a
30 reasonable fee and shall comply with section 6109 (relating

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to specific powers of department and local authorities) and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-336, 104 Stat. 327).

4 (3) * * *

5 (ii) Local authorities <u>and cities</u> shall have the 6 power and may, by ordinance or resolution, authorize a 7 person with a disability and severely disabled veterans 8 to issue statements to violators or violating vehicles 9 for violation of subparagraph (i). The form of the 10 statement shall be as prescribed by the local authorities 11 <u>and cities</u>.

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(h) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

16 "Access aisle." A physical area marked in accordance with 17 departmental regulations:

(1) designated by white or blue pavement marking hash
marks, cross-hatching or other similar visual no-parking
indicators;

(2) which provides additional space for a person using a
 wheelchair, wheelchair lift or other mobility device; and

(3) which is located adjacent to a parking spacereserved for a person with a disability.

25 <u>"City." A city of the first class, second class, second</u>
26 class A or third class.

27 "Local authority." As follows:

28 (1) A county, municipal or other local board or body
29 having authority to enact laws relating to traffic.

30 (2) The term includes an airport authority, except if

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1	the airport authority is located within a county of the first
2	<u>class or second class.</u>
3	(3) The term does not include a city.
4	"Person with a disability." A person issued a plate or
5	placard.
6	"Plate or placard." A plate or placard issued under:
7	(1) Section 1338 (relating to person with disability
8	plate and placard).
9	(2) Section 1342(a) or (b) (relating to veteran plates
10	and placard).
11	Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.