No. 82. An act relating to parking reserved for people with disabilities.

(S.150)

Sec. 1. 23 V.S.A. § 304a(e) is amended to read:

(e) A person, other than a person with a disability, who for his or her own purposes parks a vehicle in a space for persons with disabilities shall be fined \$100.00 \$200.00 for each violation and shall be liable for towing charges. He or she shall also be liable for storage charges not to exceed \$12.00 per day, and an artisan's lien may be imposed against the vehicle for payment of the charges assessed. The person in charge of the parking space or spaces for persons with a disability or any duly authorized law enforcement officer shall cause the removal of a vehicle parked in violation of this section. A violation of this section shall be considered a traffic violation within the meaning of chapter 29 of Title 4.

Sec. 2. 20 V.S.A. § 2904 is amended to read:

§ 2904. PARKING SPACES

Any parking facility on the premises of a public building shall contain at least the number of parking spaces required by ADAAG standards, and in any event at least one parking space, as free designated parking for individuals with ambulatory disabilities or blind individuals patronizing the building. The space or spaces shall be accessibly and proximately located to the building. Consideration shall be given to the distribution of spaces in accordance with the frequency and persistence of parking needs. Such spaces shall be VT LEG 257005.1 designated <u>by a clearly visible sign that cannot be obscured by a vehicle parked</u> <u>in the space</u>, by the international symbol of access and, where appropriate, <u>by</u> the words "van accessible"<u>; shall otherwise conform to ADAAG standards</u>; and shall be in accordance with the standards established under section 2902 of this title.

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