

# State of Wisconsin



2013 Assembly Bill 828

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## 2013 WISCONSIN ACT 327

AN ACT *to renumber* 349.13 (1m); *to renumber and amend* 346.503 (2m); *to amend* 346.503 (3) and 346.503 (4); and *to create* 346.503 (1m) (ag), 346.503 (1m) (am), 346.503 (2m) (b) and 349.13 (1m) (b) of the statutes; **relating to:** parking spaces reserved for persons with physical disabilities.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

**SECTION 1g.** 346.503 (1m) (ag) of the statutes is created to read:

346.503 (1m) (ag) Notwithstanding s. 101.13 (2) (a) and (d), the requirement under par. (a) applies to any owner or lessee of any public building or place of employment, and to any owner or lessee of any parking facility that offers parking to the public, with respect to any parking area initially constructed, or reconstructed, resurfaced, or seal coated, on or after May 27, 1976.

**Section 1m.** 346.503 (1m) (am) of the statutes is created to read:

346.503 (1m) (am) If the number of the parking spaces reserved under par. (a) or (e) is at least 4 but less than 20, at least one of these reserved parking spaces shall have an access aisle immediately adjacent to the parking space to provide entry to and exit from vehicles by persons with physical disabilities. If the number of the parking spaces reserved under par. (a) or (e) is 20 or more, at least 10 percent of these reserved parking spaces shall have an access aisle immediately adjacent to the parking space to provide entry to and exit from vehicles by persons with physical disabilities. The access aisle shall be at least 96 inches wide and clearly marked. This paragraph applies only to parking areas that are initially con-

structed, or reconstructed, resurfaced, or seal coated, after the effective date of this paragraph .... [LRB inserts date], and that have adequate clearance for lift van access.

**SECTION 2.** 346.503 (2m) of the statutes is renumbered 346.503 (2m) (a) and amended to read:

346.503 (2m) (a) In addition to the requirements of sub. (1m), the owner or lessee of a parking facility not open to the public and the owner or lessee of a parking facility which offers parking for 25 or fewer motor vehicles to the public may reserve one or more spaces as provided under sub. (1m) (b) and (c) for use by a motor vehicle used by a physically disabled person. An owner or lessee reserving spaces under this ~~subsection~~ paragraph shall post official traffic signs indicating that the spaces are reserved.

**SECTION 3.** 346.503 (2m) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

346.503 (2m) (b) If the number of parking spaces reserved under par. (a) is at least 4 but less than 20, at least one of these reserved parking spaces shall have an access aisle immediately adjacent to the parking space to provide entry to and exit from vehicles by persons with physical disabilities. If the number of the parking spaces reserved under par. (a) is 20 or more, at least 10 percent of these reserved parking spaces shall have an access aisle immediately adjacent to the parking space to provide entry to and exit from vehicles by persons with

\* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."

physical disabilities. The access aisle shall be at least 96 inches wide and clearly marked. This paragraph applies only to parking areas that are initially constructed, or reconstructed, resurfaced, or seal coated, after the effective date of this paragraph .... [LRB inserts date], and that have adequate clearance for lift van access.

**SECTION 4.** 346.503 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

346.503 (3) The official traffic sign shall include the international symbol for barrier-free environments and a statement to inform the public that the parking space is reserved for vehicles designated under sub. (1m) or (2m). If the reserved parking space has an adjacent access aisle required under sub. (1m) (am) or (2m) (b), the official traffic sign shall also identify the reserved parking space as "lift van accessible only" and shall comply with the manual of uniform traffic control devices adopted by the department under s. 84.02 (4) (e).

**SECTION 5.** 346.503 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

346.503 (4) The department, after consulting with the department of safety and professional services, shall promulgate rules governing the design, size, and installation of the official traffic signs required under sub. (2) or (2m) (a).

**SECTION 6.** 349.13 (1m) of the statutes is renumbered 349.13 (1m) (a).

**SECTION 7.** 349.13 (1m) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

349.13 (1m) (b) For each parking facility in which the department or a local authority reserves at least 4 but less than 20 parking spaces under par. (a) by prohibiting parking, stopping, or standing of vehicles other than

those vehicles identified in par. (a), at least one of these reserved parking spaces shall have an access aisle immediately adjacent to the parking space to provide entry to and exit from vehicles by persons with physical disabilities. For each parking facility in which the department or a local authority reserves 20 or more parking spaces under par. (a) by prohibiting parking, stopping, or standing of vehicles other than those vehicles identified in par. (a), at least 10 percent of these reserved parking spaces shall have an access aisle immediately adjacent to the parking space to provide entry to and exit from vehicles by persons with physical disabilities. The access aisle shall be at least 96 inches wide and clearly marked. If a reserved parking space has an adjacent access aisle required under this paragraph, the official traffic sign specified in par. (a) shall also identify the reserved parking space as "lift van accessible only" and shall comply with the manual of uniform traffic control devices adopted by the department under s. 84.02 (4) (e). This paragraph applies only to parking facilities that are initially constructed, or reconstructed, resurfaced, or seal coated, after the effective date of this paragraph .... [LRB inserts date], and that have adequate clearance for lift van access.

**SECTION 7m. Initial applicability.**

(1) The treatment of section 346.503 (1m) (ag) of the statutes first applies with respect to parking areas initially constructed, or reconstructed, resurfaced, or seal coated, on the effective date of this subsection.

**SECTION 8. Effective date.**

(1) This act takes effect on the first day of the 4th month beginning after publication.

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