
By Mr. Sisitsky, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 934) of Alan D. Sisitsky, Raymond A. Jordan, Jr., and George Bachrach for legislation to further regulate parking spaces reserved for handicapped drivers. Local Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-one.

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING PARKING SPACES RESERVED FOR HANDICAPPED DRIVERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 22A of chapter 40 of the General Laws, as most
2 recently amended by chapter 260 of the Acts of 1979, is here-
3 by further amended by striking out the second paragraph and
4 inserting in place thereof the following paragraph: —

5 Any city or town acting under this section shall further
6 regulate the parking of vehicles on ways within its said con-
7 trol by restricting certain areas thereon for the parking of
8 any vehicle owned and driven by a disabled veteran or handi-
9 capped person whose vehicle bears the distinctive numbered
10 places authorized by section 2 of chapter 90. The cost of acqui-
11 sition, installation and maintenance and operation of any signs
12 or other regulatory devices used to designate such restricted
13 areas shall be considered as a necessary expense for the regu-
14 lation of parking and shall be paid from appropriations author-
15 ized by this section. Any such ordinance, bylaw, order, rule or
16 regulation promulgated pursuant to the provisions of this para-
17 graph shall contain a penalty of not less than thirty dollars
18 and not more than seventy-five dollars.

19 Section 22B of chapter 40 of the General Laws, as most
20 recently amended by chapter 681 of the Acts of 1977, is hereby
21 further amended by striking out the second paragraph and
22 inserting in place thereof: —

23 Cities and towns shall reserve parking spaces in off-street
24 parking areas for vehicles of handicapped persons according

25 to the following formula: —

26 If the number of parking spaces in any such area is more
27 than one but not more than twenty-five, one parking space;
28 more than twenty-five of such spaces but not less than two;
29 more than forty but not more than one hundred, four percent
30 of such spaces but not less than three; more than one hun-
31 dred but not more than two hundred, three percent of such
32 spaces but not less than four; more than two hundred but not
33 more than five hundred; two percent of such spaces but not
34 less than six; more than five hundred but not more than one
35 thousand, one and one half percent of such spaces but not less
36 than ten; more than one thousand but not more than two
37 thousand; one percent of such spaces but not less than fifteen;
38 more than two thousand but less than five thousand, three-
39 fourths of one per cent of such spaces but not less than twenty;
40 and more than five thousand, one half of one percent of such
41 spaces but not less than thirty. Any ordinance, bylaw, order,
42 rule or regulation pursuant to the provisions of regulations of
43 this paragraph shall contain a penalty of not less than thirty
44 dollars and not more than seventy-five dollars.