

By Mr. Johnston of Marshfield, petition of Philip W. Johnston for legislation to provide designated parking spaces in certain areas for vehicles of handicapped persons. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT TO PROVIDE DESIGNATED PARKING SPACES IN CERTAIN AREAS FOR VEHICLES OF HANDICAPPED PERSONS.

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 1. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, any
2 person who has lawful control of a private way or of improved or
3 enclosed private property used as off-street parking areas for busi-
4 nesses, shopping malls, theaters, auditoriums, sporting or recrea-
5 tional facilities, or cultural centers where the public has a right of
6 access as invitees or licensees shall reserve parking spaces in said
7 off-street parking areas for vehicles of handicapped persons or for
8 vehicles used to transport handicapped persons according to the
9 following formula: — If the number of parking spaces in any such
10 area is more than five but not more than twenty-five, one parking
11 space; more than twenty-five but not more than forty, five per cent
12 of such spaces but not less than two; more than forty but not more
13 than one hundred, four per cent of such spaces but not less than
14 three; more than one hundred but not more than two hundred,
15 three per cent of such spaces but not less than four; more than two
16 hundred but not more than five hundred, two per cent of such
17 spaces but not less than six; more than five hundred but not more
18 than one thousand, one and one half per cent of such spaces but not
19 less than ten; more than one thousand but not more than two
20 thousand, one per cent of such spaces but not less than fifteen;
21 more than two thousand but less than five thousand, three-fourths

22 of one per cent of such spaces but not less than twenty; and more
23 than five thousand, one half of one per cent of such spaces but not
24 less than thirty.

25 The parking spaces so reserved for vehicles of handicapped
26 persons shall be posted by written notice stating the restricted use
27 of the area and notifying persons who violate the restriction that
28 vehicles will be towed at the expense of the owners.

1 SECTION 2. Any vehicle of a person which occupies a parking
2 space reserved for vehicles of handicapped persons as provided for
3 in section 1 may be removed according to the procedures provided
4 for in section 120D of chapter 266.