

AN ACT

1
2 relating to parking of a motor vehicle operated by or for the
3 transportation of a veteran with a disability in certain parking
4 spaces; providing a criminal penalty.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Subsection (e), Section 681.009, Transportation
7 Code, is amended to read as follows:

8 (e) A private property owner or private person who controls
9 property used for parking and who designates one or more uncovered
10 parking spaces for the exclusive use of vehicles transporting
11 persons with disabilities shall assign at least half of those
12 spaces for the exclusive use of vehicles displaying a white on blue
13 shield disabled parking placard or license plates issued under
14 Section 504.202, except that if an odd number of spaces is
15 designated, only the number of spaces that is the largest whole
16 number less than half of the number of designated spaces must be
17 assigned for the exclusive use of vehicles displaying a white on
18 blue shield placard or license plates issued under Section 504.202.
19 Van-accessible parking spaces shall be counted as assigned spaces
20 under this subsection. These assigned spaces must be the spaces
21 located closest to an accessible route to an entrance accessible to
22 a person with a disability. The remaining designated parking
23 spaces may be used by vehicles displaying a white on blue shield
24 disabled parking placard, a white on red shield disabled parking

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1 placard, [~~or~~] license plates issued under Section 504.201, or
2 license plates issued under Section 504.202. This subsection
3 applies only to a property used for parking that serves a building
4 or other facility:

5 (1) that state law requires to be accessible to person
6 with disabilities; and

7 (2) for which construction or an alteration of the
8 building or other facility is completed on or after September 1,
9 1999.

10 SECTION 2. Subsection (b), Section 681.011, Transportation
11 Code, is amended to read as follows:

12 (b) A person commits an offense if the person:

13 (1) stands a vehicle on which license plates issued
14 under Section 504.201 or 504.202 are not displayed and a disabled
15 parking placard is not displayed in a parking space or area
16 designated specifically for individuals with disabilities by:

17 (A) a political subdivision; or

18 (B) a person who owns or controls private
19 property used for parking as to which a political subdivision has
20 provided for the application of this section under this Subsection
21 (f); or

22 (2) stands a vehicle displaying a white on red shield
23 disabled parking placard or license plates issued under Section
24 504.201 in a space designated under Section 681.009(e) for the
25 exclusive use of vehicles displaying a white on blue shield
26 disabled parking placard or license plates issued under Section
27 504.202.

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1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007._____

David Newkirk
President of the Senate

Jim Caddick
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 251 passed the Senate on March 28, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0._____

Daisy Gull
Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 251 passed the House on May 17, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 0, two present not voting._____

Robert Haney
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

15 JUN 07
Date

Rick Perry
Governor

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