

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1198

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5 By: Representative Terry Smith

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 27-15-312 TO PROVIDE FOR
10 LOCAL ORDINANCES WAIVING PARKING METER FEES FOR PERSONS
11 WITH DISABILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

14 "TO PROVIDE FOR A LOCAL OPTION TO WAIVE
15 PARKING METER FEES FOR DISABLED PERSONS"

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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-15-312 is amended to read as follows:
20 "27-15-312. Parking privileges - Exceptions.

21 (a) A vehicle displaying a special license plate or special certificate
22 and being used for the actual transporting of a person with a disability is
23 permitted exclusive parking privileges in those areas designated for parking
24 only by people with disabilities.

25 (b)(1) The provisions of this subchapter pertaining to parking
26 privileges for people with disabilities shall supersede any local ordinances
27 where they conflict.

28 (2) However, any county or municipality may enact local
29 ordinances to provide for restrictions on parking privileges for all persons
30 which also shall be applicable to persons with disabilities when the local
31 ordinances apply:

32 (A) To zones where stopping, standing, or parking is
33 prohibited for all vehicles;

34 (B) Where there is a local ordinance that prohibits parking
35 during heavy traffic periods such as rush hours or where parking would clearly
36 present a traffic hazard for the general public;

1 (C) To parking zones restricted as to the length of parking
2 time permitted;

3 (D) To zones reserved for special types of vehicles, except
4 for those zones authorized for exclusive use by emergency vehicles or
5 ambulances, or authorized as bus stop areas or loading zones; and

6 (E) To any parking meter fees levied by any local
7 ordinances of any political subdivision in this state. Provided, that any
8 county or municipality may, by ordinance, waive parking meter fees for a
9 vehicle displaying a special license plate or special certificate and being
10 used for the actual transporting of a person with a disability."

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12 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of general and permanent nature
13 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
14 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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16 SECTION 3. If any provisions of this act or the application thereof to
17 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect
18 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
19 the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this
20 act are declared to be severable.

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22 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
23 hereby repealed.

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