

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 SECOND REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 **Legislative Document**

No. 1804

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7 H. P. 1819 House of Representatives, January 12, 1982
8 Approved for introduction by the Legislative Council pursuant to
Joint Rule 26.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and 1,500 ordered
printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

9 Presented by Representative Murphy of Kennebunk.

10 Cosponsors: Representative Racine of Biddeford, Senator Hichens
11 of York and Senator Gill of Cumberland.
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13 STATE OF MAINE
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15 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
16 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO
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18 AN ACT to Require the Towing of
19 Unauthorized Vehicles from Parking Areas
20 Designated for Handicapped Persons' Vehicles.
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22 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

23 30 MRSA §2151, sub-§2, ¶1K is enacted to read:

24 K. Providing for the maintenance and policing of park-
25 ing stalls or spaces designated for handicapped per-
26 sons. There shall be immediately adjacent to and vis-
27 ible from such stall or space a posted sign consisting
28 of a profile view of a wheelchair with occupant in
29 white on a blue background and bearing the following
30 warning: "Handicapped Parking: Special Plate Re-
31 quired. Unauthorized vehicles will be removed at
32 owner's expense." Any vehicle parked in such a stall
33 or space that does not bear a special registration
34 plate or placard issued under Title 29, section 252, or
35 a similar plate issued by another state, shall be towed
36 at the owner's expense. A municipality may enter into

1 agreements with the owners of private off-street park-
2 ing facilities for the policing, when notified, of
3 stalls and spaces dedicated for handicapped persons'
4 vehicles, under which agreements unauthorized vehicles
5 shall be towed at the owner's expense.

6 Statement of Fact

7 This bill permits municipalities to provide for parking
8 spaces designated for vehicles of handicapped persons only.
9 Unauthorized vehicles would be towed at the owner's expense.
10 It also permits municipalities to enter into agreements with
11 the owners of private off-street parking facilities, under
12 which unauthorized vehicles would be towed from dedicated
13 handicapped spaces.