

No. 1990-84

## AN ACT

HB 1294

Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for exemption from registration fees; increasing the penalty for certain parking violations relating to handicapped and disabled veterans' parking spaces; and authorizing local authorities to permit handicapped persons and disabled veterans to issue certain statements.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 1901(c) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding paragraphs to read:

§ 1901. Exemption of entities and vehicles from fees.

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(c) Processing fee in lieu of registration fee.—No registration fee shall be charged for vehicles registered by any of the following but the department shall charge a fee of \$10 to cover the costs of processing for issuing or renewing the registration:

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*(20) Nonprofit organizations which care for or otherwise provide services for the elderly or the infirm.*

*(21) Nonprofit organizations which principally serve mentally or physically handicapped or disabled persons.*

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Section 2. Section 3354(d)(3) and (f) of Title 75 are amended to read:  
§ 3354. Additional parking regulations.

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(d) Handicapped persons and disabled veterans.—

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(3) (i) Except for persons parking vehicles lawfully bearing a handicapped or severely disabled veteran registration plate or displaying a handicapped or severely disabled veteran parking placard when such vehicles are being operated by or for the transportation of a handicapped person or a severely disabled veteran, no person shall park a vehicle on public or private property reserved for a handicapped person or severely disabled veteran which property has been so posted in accordance with departmental regulations.

*(ii) Local authorities shall have the power and may, by ordinance or resolution, authorize handicapped persons and severely disabled veterans to issue statements to violators or violating vehicles for violation of subparagraph (i). The form of the statement shall be as prescribed by the local authorities.*

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(f) Penalty.—Any person violating subsection (a), (b) or (d)(1) is guilty of a summary offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$15. Any person violating subsection (d)(2) or (3) or (e) is guilty of a summary offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than ~~[\$15]~~ \$50 nor more than ~~[\$50]~~ \$200.

Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 10th day of July, A. D. 1990.

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