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SENATE, No. 1257

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED JUNE 13, 1974

By Senator DODD

Referred to Committee on Institutions, Health and Welfare

AN ACT requiring *the State and* counties **[.]** *and* municipalities and parking authorities created thereby to provide parking spaces for handicapped persons in parking facilities and supplementing Title 40 of the Revised Statutes.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. The *State, every* board or body having control and regula-
2 tion of parking facilities in every county and municipality, and
3 every parking authority created pursuant to the "Parking
4 Authority Law" (P. L. 1948, c. 198, C. 40:11A-1 et seq.), is hereby
5 authorized, empowered and directed to provide parking spaces
6 for handicapped persons in all parking facilities under the jurisdic-
7 tion of *the State or* any such board, body or parking authority.

1 2. **[Every]** *The State and every* such board, body or
2 parking authority shall use the following guidelines when provid-
3 ing said parking spaces for the physically handicapped:

4 a. A minimum of **[2%]** *1%* of the total number of
5 parking spaces, but not less than two parking spaces, shall be
6 provided in an area of the parking facility which is most accessible
7 and approximate to the building or buildings which the facility
7A serves;

8 b. Each space or group of spaces shall be identified with a clearly
9 visible sign displaying the International Symbol of Access along
10 with the following wording: "These spaces reserved for physically-
11 handicapped drivers."

12 c. Each space shall be 12 feet wide to allow room for persons in
13 wheelchairs or on braces or crutches to get in and out of either
14 side of an automobile onto a level, paved surface suitable for
15 wheeling and walking;

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

16 d. Where possible, such spaces shall be located so that persons
17 in wheelchairs or using braces or crutches are not compelled to
18 wheel or walk behind parked cars; and

19 e. Where applicable, curb ramps shall be provided to permit
20 handicapped people access from parking area to sidewalk.

1 3. The ***State and the*** board of chosen freeholders of every
2 county and the governing body of every municipality in this State
3 shall be responsible for the enforcement of the provisions of this
4 act ***within their respective jurisdictions***.

1 4. This act shall take effect ***[immediately]*** **120 days following*
2 *enactment**.

SENATE, No. 1257

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. The board or body having control and regulation of parking
2 facilities in every county and municipality, and every parking
3 authority created pursuant to the "Parking Authority Law" (P. L.
4 1948, c. 198, C. 40:11A-1 et seq.), is hereby authorized, empowered
5 and directed to provide parking spaces for handicapped persons
6 in all parking facilities under the jurisdiction of any such board,
7 body or parking authority.

1 2. Every such board, body or parking authority shall use the
2 following guidelines when providing said parking spaces for the
3 physically handicapped:

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1 3. The board of chosen freeholders of every county and the
2 governing body of every municipality in this State shall be
3 responsible for the enforcement of the provisions of this act.

1 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

This bill requires counties, municipalities and parking authorities to set aside and identify designated parking spaces for handicapped persons in any parking facility under their respective jurisdictions to increase and encourage the mobility of such handicapped persons in the cities, towns and villages of this State. It also provides said counties and municipalities with guidelines for providing such parking spaces, to insure that certain minimum standards are applied throughout the State.

SENATE INSTITUTIONS, HEALTH AND
WELFARE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO
SENATE, No. 1257

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 25, 1974

This bill requires counties, municipalities and parking authorities to set aside and identify designated parking spaces for handicapped persons in any parking facility under their respective jurisdictions to increase and encourage the mobility of such handicapped persons in the cities, towns and villages of this State. It also provides said counties and municipalities with guidelines for providing such parking spaces, to insure that certain minimum standards are applied throughout the State.

As amended by the committee this act would not take effect until 120 days following enactment in order to give parking boards or authorities time to comply with its provisions.

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FISCAL NOTE TO
SENATE, No. 1257

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 25, 1974

Senate Bill No. 1257 requires all counties, municipalities and parking authorities created thereby to provide parking spaces for handicapped persons in parking facilities.

The Department of Community Affairs states that the cost to local governments to comply with the provisions of this legislation would be minimal and could be readily absorbed into the regular operating expenses. It is suggested that the prescribed parking lines could be painted when the lot is normally relined and the necessary signs could be made in the sign shops of the local governments.

The department states that a dollar value on the above would be less than \$1,000.00 per year per municipality. The majority of the expenditure would provide for the construction of curb ramps.

The fiscal note is based on an estimate of costs rather than actual cost information.

In compliance with written request received, there is hereby submitted a fiscal estimate for the above bill, pursuant to P. L. 1962, c. 27.