

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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House Bill No. 1007

HOUSE BILL NO. 1007 - By: WESSELHOFT of the House and LEFTWICH of the Senate.

An Act relating to handicapped parking; amending 11 O.S. 2001, Section 36-101A, which relates to handicapped parking and access; requiring certain language be displayed on signage for physically disabled reserved parking spaces; providing for effect on other laws; authorizing use of previously erected signage; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

1 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2001, Section 36-101A, is amended to
2 read as follows:

3 Section 36-101A. A. Cities and towns are hereby authorized to construct and
4 provide parking spaces, curb cuts, ramps and signage for ~~handicapped~~ physically
5 disabled parking and access for use in conjunction with facilities, both public and private,
6 open to the general public. The city or town may bear the cost of such construction, or at
7 the option of the city or town and the owner of such facilities, share the cost of such
8 construction with the owner of such facilities.

9 B. Beginning January 1, 2010, the posted signage for every parking space that is
10 designated and posted as a reserved area for the parking of a motor vehicle operated by
11 or transporting a physically disabled person shall display sign R7-8, as provided in the
12 latest edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices published by the Federal

1 Highway Administration of the United States Department of Transportation, which
2 includes the words “RESERVED PARKING” and the blue and white international
3 symbol of access. Van-accessible physically disabled reserved parking spaces shall also
4 display sign R7-8a immediately below sign R7-8. Municipalities shall adopt ordinances
5 in compliance with this subsection by January 1, 2010. The provisions of this section
6 shall be considered an addition to any federal or state law, rule or regulation regarding
7 the signage requirements for physically disabled parking spaces and shall not limit or
8 amend any other applicable laws, rules or regulations.

9 C. The blue and white international symbol of access, accompanied by appropriate
10 language including, but not limited to, “Handicapped Parking”, “Reserved for
11 Handicapped” and “Permit Required-Towing Enforced” may be used in lieu of sign R7-8 if
12 the sign was erected prior to January 1, 2010.

13 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

14 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND
15 FINANCIAL SERVICES, dated 02-18-09 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.