

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 3976

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to statewide accessibility signage; amending 11 O.S. 2021, Section 36-101A, which relates to physically disabled parking and access signage; requiring signage changes; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2021, Section 36-101A, is amended to read as follows:

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

B. ~~Beginning January 1, 2010, the~~ The posted signage for every parking space that is designated and posted as a reserved area for

1 the parking of a motor vehicle operated by or transporting a
2 physically disabled person shall display ~~sign R7-8, as provided in~~
3 ~~the latest edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices~~
4 ~~published by the Federal Highway Administration of the United States~~
5 ~~Department of Transportation~~ a sign which must be twelve (12) inches
6 by eighteen (18) inches or larger and must use a design of the
7 modernized International Symbol for Accessibility, which shall
8 depict a figure leaning forward in a wheelchair, which includes the
9 words "RESERVED PARKING" ~~and the blue and white international symbol~~
10 ~~of access.~~ Van-accessible physically disabled reserved parking
11 spaces shall also display sign R7-8a ~~immediately below sign R7-8~~ as
12 provided in the latest edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic
13 Control Devices published by the Federal Highway Administration of
14 the United States Department of Transportation a sign which must be
15 twelve (12) inches by eighteen (18) inches or larger and must use a
16 design of the modernized International Symbol for Accessibility,
17 which shall depict a figure leaning forward in a wheelchair.
18 Municipalities shall adopt ordinances in compliance with this
19 subsection by ~~January 1, 2010~~ January 1, 2023. The provisions of
20 this section shall be considered an addition to any federal or state
21 law, rule or regulation regarding the signage requirements for
22 physically disabled parking spaces and shall not limit or amend any
23 other applicable laws, rules or regulations.

1 C. The blue and white international symbol of access,
2 accompanied by appropriate language including, but not limited to,
3 "Handicapped Parking", "Reserved for Handicapped" and "Permit
4 Required-Towing Enforced" may be used in lieu of sign R7-8 if the
5 sign was erected prior to ~~January 1, 2010~~ January 1, 2023.

6 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.
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