

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 3579

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to soldiers and sailors; permitting free airport parking for certain disabled veterans; limiting amount of free parking; directing the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs to determine eligibility and promulgate rules; allowing a disabled veteran to present proof of free parking eligibility; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 460 of Title 72, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. All publicly owned or publicly operated airports located in the State of Oklahoma shall provide free airport parking for a disabled veteran, his or her vehicle, and his or her passengers if the disabled veteran has a service-connected disability rating of one hundred percent (100%), as determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, its successor, or the Armed Forces of the United States.

1 B. A disabled veteran authorized to park for free at an airport
2 pursuant to this section shall be limited to free parking for a
3 period of ten (10) days for each visit. An airport may charge a
4 disabled veteran the customary parking fee for each day he or she is
5 parked at the airport that exceeds ten (10) consecutive days.

6 C. The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs shall provide a
7 means for qualified disabled veterans to verify their free parking
8 eligibility and provide each veteran with such verification upon
9 request. The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs shall
10 promulgate any rules necessary to implement the provisions of this
11 section.

12 D. A disabled veteran may present proof of free airport parking
13 eligibility to the applicable airport parking authority or
14 attendant, through verification provided by the Oklahoma Department
15 of Veterans Affairs.

16 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

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