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An act to enhance the enforcement of fines for parking illegally in handicap spaces.

Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: The fine for illegally parking in a designated handicap space will increase from \$150 to \$250.

Section 2: Additionally, fines will increase with each violation. First Offense-\$250 fine, Second Offense- \$500 fine. Third and subsequent offenses- \$1,000 fine.

Section 3: Police departments state-wide will complete bi-monthly sweeps of parking lots. These sweeps may be conducted by officers, cadets, or trained volunteers, If volunteers are utilized, they must undergo a background check and be trained in issuing citations. Volunteers will not be compensated.

Section 4: Trained volunteers that issue citations will be required to submit photographic evidence of the presence of a disabled parking sign AND the absence of a placard or plate on the violating vehicle along with the written citation. Volunteer-issued citations will have to be approved by the local department, and will be mailed to the owner of the vehicle in violation.

Section 5: Revenue created from fines will go to certified job training for people with disabilities, as well as training and background checks for volunteers. Any additional remaining funds at the end of the fiscal year will go directly to the MORE THAN A CHAIR campaign.

Section 6: All issued placards will have a holographic image of the wheelchair symbol as well as the driver's license number of the disabled applicant or guardian of the applicant to prove authenticity.

Section 7: There will be a mandatory 6-month reissuing window for ALL persons currently using a temporary placard. This will be from July, 2017- November, 2017.

Section 8: Temporary placards will cost \$15 (an increase from \$0). The cost for renewal is \$10, and the renewal period shall remain 6 months. This will amend KRS 189.456 which originally issued no fee.

Section 9: Placard and renewal fees will first cover the printing cost, and any additional revenue will fund a state-wide MORE THAN A SIGN campaign.

Section 10: This bill will go into effect July 1, 2017.

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