

Legislation Text

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TO AMEND SECTION 351.99, PENALTY, OF CHAPTER 351, PARKING GENERALLY, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF GAHANNA, TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR PARKING IN HANDICAPPED LOCATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE STATUTES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Safety Committee of Council 3/27 - pc

WHEREAS, the State law has been changed regarding violators of the Handicapped Parking in the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Safety Committee of Council reviewed this change, and on March 27 recommended, along with the Mayor and the Chief of Police, that the State penalties be incorporated in the City of Gahanna Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, The Walter H. Drane Company, codifier for the City has now recommended wording for this legislation, and it is desirable to necessary to move forward to effect this change at the earliest period allowed by law, in order to have continuity in penalties issued for violators, all for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That Section 351.99, Penalty, of Chapter 351, Parking Generally, of the Codified Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

351.99 PENALTY.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: See Section 303.99 for misdemeanor classifications and penalties.) <u>Parking in Handicapped Location.</u> Whoever violates Section 351.04(f) shall be fined not less than two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00), but in no case shall an offender be sentenced to any term of imprisonment. Arrest or conviction for a violation of Section 351.04(f) does not constitute a criminal record and need not be reported by the person so arrested or convicted in response to any inquiries contained in any application for employment, license, or other right or privilege, or made in connection with the person's appearance as a witness. (ORC 4511.99)

Section 2. That existing Section 351.99, or any ordinances of parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, is hereby repealed.

Section 3. That, for the reasons set forth in the preamble herein above, this ordinance is declared emergency legislation, and shall be in full force and effect immediately after passage by this Council and signature of approval by the Mayor.