

CHAPTER 7

(BILL NO. 29-70)

AN ACT to amend Chapter 108, title "Vehicles, Traffic and Parking," by adding a new Section 108-36A, title "Parking privileges for disabled persons," Montgomery County Code 1965, as amended, providing that certain physically disabled persons may be allowed, upon application and payment of a fee, to a permit which would allow the permit holder to park without liability for parking violations, except in certain specified places within the county.

Be It Enacted by the County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, that—

SEC. 1. Chapter 108, title "Vehicles, Traffic and Parking," Montgomery County Code 1965, as amended, is hereby amended to add a new Section 108-36A as follows:

108-36A. Parking privileges for disabled persons.

(a) Any person who shall submit proof satisfactory to the Director of the Department of Inspection and Licenses that he, or a person he regularly transports or chauffeurs, has lost both of his lower extremities, or who has permanently lost the normal or full use thereof, or who is so severely disabled as to be unable to move without the aid of crutches or a wheelchair, shall be entitled, upon payment of the fee therefor, to receive a permit for special parking privileges for disabled persons. Each such permit shall be renewable every two years, and the fee for said permit shall be determined by the County Executive, but shall not exceed the pro rata cost of administering the program.

(b) The County Executive shall, from time to time, establish the limitations on special parking privileges granted hereunder. Each permittee at the time a permit is granted, and at time of renewal, shall be furnished a written notice of parking restrictions, including a description of streets or roads, where the permit does apply. The Executive shall send notice by ordinary mail to each permit holder of any changes in the parking privileges should they occur prior to renewal of the respective permits.

(c) The parking privileges granted herein shall entitle a permit holder to courtesy in the parking of his automobile, which shall relieve him from liability for non-moving parking-type violations, including meter fees, with respect to parking, other than a violation of the restrictions on the permit established by notice of the County Executive. Privileges shall only be granted when the permit holder displays at the designated place on his automobile the decal issued by the Department of Inspection and Licenses which signifies any automobile regularly used by a disabled driver.