THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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Session of 2005

INTRODUCED BY READSHAW, BASTIAN, BENNINGHOFF, BUXTON, CALTAGIRONE, DALEY, GEIST, HARHAI, McCALL, MELIO, NICKOL, PALLONE, RAYMOND, RUBLEY, RUFFING, SAINATO, SHANER, B. SMITH, TANGRETTI, TIGUE, WALKO, WILT, WOJNAROSKI AND E. Z. TAYLOR, FEBRUARY 15, 2005

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, FEBRUARY 15, 2005

AN ACT

Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for penalties involving alteration of 2 3 physician statements regarding application for special disability plate or parking placard and for penalties 4 5 regarding violations of handicapped persons and disabled 6 veterans parking places. 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 9 Section 1. Sections 1338(d) and 3354(f) of Title 75 of the 10 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read: 11 § 1338. Person with disability plate and placard. 12 13 (d) Penalty.--[Any] 14 (1) Except as provided for in paragraph (2), any person 15 violating this section commits a summary offense and shall, 16 upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of [not more 17 than] \$100.

(2) Any person who alters or falsifies a physician's

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- 1 statement after the physician has prepared the certificate or
- 2 <u>statement commits a misdemeanor of the third degree and</u>
- 3 shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of \$1,000
- 4 <u>or to imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or both.</u>
- 5 § 3354. Additional parking regulations.
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- 7 (f) Penalty.--A person violating subsection (a), (b) or
- 8 (d)(1) is guilty of a summary offense and shall, upon
- 9 conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$15. A
- 10 person violating subsection (d)(2) or (3) or (e) is guilty of a
- 11 summary offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay
- 12 a fine of [not less than \$50 nor more than \$200] \$500. If a
- 13 person is convicted under subsection (d)(2) or (3) in the
- 14 absence of a sign stating the penalty amount, the fine imposed
- 15 may not exceed \$50.
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- 17 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.