

By Senator Sobel

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to disabled parking; amending s.  
3       316.1964, F.S.; revising provisions that allow  
4       counties and municipalities to charge fees for  
5       vehicles displaying a disabled parking permit at  
6       certain timed parking facilities; excluding vehicles  
7       displaying a DV license plate from payment of such  
8       fees; providing an effective date.

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10   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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12       Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 316.1964, Florida  
13       Statutes, is republished, and subsection (8) of that section is  
14       amended, to read:

15       316.1964 Exemption of vehicles transporting certain persons  
16       who have disabilities from payment of parking fees and  
17       penalties.—

18       (1) A state agency, county, municipality, or any agency  
19       thereof, may not exact any fee for parking on the public streets  
20       or highways or in any metered parking space from the driver of a  
21       vehicle that displays a disabled parking permit or a license  
22       plate issued under s. 316.1958 or s. 320.0848 or a license plate  
23       issued under s. 320.084, s. 320.0842, s. 320.0843, or s.  
24       320.0845 if the vehicle is transporting the person who has a  
25       disability and to whom the disabled parking permit or license  
26       plate was issued.

27       (8) Notwithstanding subsection (1), a county, municipality,  
28       or any agency thereof may charge for parking in a facility or  
29       lot that provides timed parking spaces any vehicle that displays

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30 a disabled parking permit, except that any vehicle with  
31 specialized equipment, such as ramps, lifts, or foot or hand  
32 controls, for use by a person who has a disability, or any  
33 vehicle that is displaying the "DV" license plate issued under  
34 s. 320.084 or the Florida Toll Exemption permit, is exempt from  
35 any parking fees.

36 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.