

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2021-0840

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: November 23, 2021

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, TEU

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Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment

Bill Summary: The bill amends Part 10 (Public Parking) of Ordinance Code Chapter 804 – Jacksonville Traffic Code – to expand the list of prohibited activities with regard to parking in or obstructing designated handicapped accessible parking spaces or access facilities or routes thereto. The existing fines for illegally parking in a designated handicapped-only parking space are extended to the other prohibited actions. The bill also provides that the fines collected from enforcement activities against illegal parking or obstruction of designated handicapped facilities shall be deposited into the Handicapped Parking Fines & Forfeits Trust Fund on at least a monthly basis.

Background Information: The Code currently prohibits parking or stopping a vehicle in a designated handicapped accessible parking space. This bill expands the protection of designated handicapped accessible facilities to include a prohibition against blocking or obstructing curb cuts, access aisles, or other unreasonable interference with access to or use of such facilities by the persons for whom they are intended. Fines for illegal parking in a handicapped space are currently deposited into the Public Parking Fund with other parking-related revenues and are allocated to the Handicapped Parking Fines & Forfeits Trust Fund on a quarterly basis.

Policy Impact Area: Handicapped parking facility accessibility

Fiscal Impact: Potential increased fine revenues from expanded enforcement activities on the added facilities.

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