

## 153rd GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL NOTE

BILL: HOUSE SUBSTITUTE NO. 1 FOR HOUSE BILL 48

SPONSOR: Representative Neal

DESCRIPTION: AN ACT TO AMEND TITLES 9, 21, AND 22 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING

TO ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES.

## **Assumptions:**

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature by the Governor.

- 2. This Act adopts provisions for federal design, construction, and usage requirements for accessible parking spaces under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) including the following:
  - a. Requires that a permit be issued by local county or municipal government.
  - b. Increases the fine for unlawfully occupying accessible parking spaces.
  - c. Requires that 1 of every 3 accessible parking spaces be van accessible in large parking lots.
  - d. Requires state facilities to obtain approval from the Architectural Accessibility Board in lieu of a permit.
  - e. This Act does not apply to on-street parking.
- 3. The Department of Transportation has identified the need to convert 36 parking spaces into designated accessible van parking to ensure compliance with this Act.
- 4. The estimated one-time costs associated with painting, restriping, and signage is \$73,800 (\$2,050 per space). Costs are assumed to be paid from the Transportation Trust Fund (TTF).

## Cost:

## **One-Time TTF**

**Fiscal Year 2026:** \$73,800

Fiscal Year 2027: - Fiscal Year 2028: -

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