



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2005 Wisconsin Act 326
[2005 Senate Bill 329]

**Parking Vehicles on Highways;
Reserved Parking Program**

Under *current law*, with certain exceptions, state and local highway authorities may prohibit or restrict the stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles on highways under their jurisdictions.

2005 Wisconsin Act 326 provides that:

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 86.32 (1), Stats., and any other provision of s. 349.13, Stats. (the statute that the new provision created in the Act appears in) and as provided in item 2., below, *a local authority*, with respect to highways under its jurisdiction including connecting highways within corporate limits, *may authorize* persons whose residences abut a highway in a zone where parking is prohibited by official signs, guests of such persons, and commercial enterprises providing services to such persons to park their vehicles in the highway zone *without regard to the posted prohibitions*.
2. If a University of Wisconsin System (UW System) college campus located in a 1st class city (currently, the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee) *creates 721 parking spaces* on campus, a 1st class city *may* initiate a program to reserve 721 parking spaces for persons whose residences are adjacent to the UW System college campus, guests of such persons, and commercial enterprises providing services to such persons. If a UW System college campus located in a 1st class city *creates additional* parking spaces on campus, a 1st class city may reserve an equal number of parking spaces for persons whose residences are adjacent to the UW System college campus, guests of such persons, and commercial enterprises providing services to such persons.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.