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AN ACT to amend 101.13 (1m), 346.503 (1m) (a) (intro.) and 346.503 (1m) (c); and to create 346.503 (1m) (e) and (f) of the statutes, relating to allocation of reserved parking spaces for vehicles used by physically disabled persons by a nonprofit organization, institution of higher education or government unit which owns more than one parking facility, clarifying the location for reserved parking spaces and granting rule-making authority.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 101.13 (1m) of the statutes, as affected by 1983 Wisconsin Act 77, is amended to read:

101.13 (1m) Except as provided in s. 346.503, the The department shall by rule provide minimum requirements to facilitate the use of public buildings and places of employment by physically disabled persons where traffic might reasonably be expected by such persons.

SECTION 2. 346.503 (1m) (a) (intro.) of the statutes, as affected by 1983 Wisconsin Act 77, is amended to read:

346.503 (1m) (a) (intro.) The owner or lessee of any public building or place of employment, the initial construction of which is commenced on or after May 27, 1976, or which is remodeled as provided in s. 101.13 (6), shall reserve parking spaces for use by a motor vehicle used by a physically disabled person in accordance with rules promulgated by the department of industry, labor and human relations under s. 101.13. The owner or lessee of any other public building or place of employment and the owner or lessee of any parking facility which offers parking to the public shall reserve spaces for use by a motor vehicle used by a physically disabled person as follows:

SECTION 3. 346.503 (1m) (c) of the statutes, as created by 1983 Wisconsin Act 77, is amended to read:

346.503 (1m) (c) Parking spaces reserved under this subsection shall be located as close as possible to an entrance of the parking facility and to an entrance of a public building or place of employment which allows a physically disabled person to enter and leave a parking facility without assistance. Parking spaces reserved under this subsection in a parking ramp shall be located as close as possible to the main entrance of the parking ramp, to an adjacent public walk, or to an elevator which allows a physically disabled person to enter and leave without assistance.

SECTION 4. 346.503 (1m) (e) and (f) of the statutes are created to read:

346.503 (1m) (e) Instead of complying with the requirements under par. (a), a non-profit organization as defined under s. 108.02 (26), an institution of higher education as defined under s. 108.02 (27) or a government unit as defined under s. 108.02 (28) which owns more than one parking facility which offers parking to the public may reserve at least 2% of the total number of parking spaces in its facilities. A nonprofit organization, institution of higher education or government unit which reserves parking space under this paragraph shall reserve at least one parking space in each facility for use by a motor vehicle used by any physically disabled person. If the number of spaces so reserved in a facility is fewer than would be reserved under par. (a), upon request of a physically disabled person the nonprofit organization, institution of higher education or government

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unit shall reserve one additional space in the facility for use by a motor vehicle used by any physically disabled person.

(f) The owner or lessee of a parking facility which is ancillary to a building and restricted wholly or in part to use by tenants of the building shall, at the request of a physically disabled tenant, reserve a parking space in the facility as provided by pars. (b) and (c) for use by a motor vehicle used by the physically disabled tenant.

SECTION 5. Effective date. This act takes effect on September 1, 1984.