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AN ACT

RELATING TO PARKING STANDARDS; AMENDING A SECTION OF THE  
GREATER MUNICIPALITY PARKING LAW.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 3-51-46 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1973,  
Chapter 22, Section 3, as amended) is amended to read:

"3-51-46. PASSENGER MOTOR VEHICLE OF A PERSON WITH A  
DISABILITY--PARKING PRIVILEGE.--Passenger motor vehicles  
owned by and carrying a person with a disability and  
displaying special registration plates, or passenger motor  
vehicles carrying persons with severe mobility impairment and  
displaying parking placards, issued pursuant to Section  
66-3-16 NMSA 1978, shall be permitted to park for unlimited  
periods of time in parking zones restricted as to length of  
time parking is normally permitted and are exempt from payment  
of any parking fee of the state or its political subdivisions,  
except that airport parking facilities may charge long-term  
parking fees for periods of time exceeding twenty-four hours.  
The provisions of this section shall prevail over any other  
law, rule or local ordinance but do not apply to zones where  
stopping, standing or parking is prohibited, zones reserved  
for special types of vehicles, zones where parking is  
prohibited during certain hours of the day in order to  
facilitate traffic during those hours when parking is

