

# HB0173S01 compared with HB0173

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1                                    **Disabled Parking Permit Amendments**  
   2026 GENERAL SESSION  
   STATE OF UTAH  
   **Chief Sponsor: Trevor Lee**  
   Senate Sponsor:

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3                                    **LONG TITLE**

4                                    **General Description:**

5                                    This bill creates a temporary parking permit for expectant mothers.

6                                    **Highlighted Provisions:**

7                                    This bill:

- 8                                    ▶ defines terms;
- 9                                    ▶ creates a temporary parking placard, allowing expectant mothers to park in accessible parking spaces; and
- 11                                   ▶ makes technical changes.

12                                   **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

13                                   None

14                                   **Other Special Clauses:**

15                                   This bill provides a special effective date.

16                                   **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

17                                   AMENDS:

18                                   **41-1a-414** , as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 294

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19 **41-6a-217** , as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 2

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21 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

22 Section 1. Section **41-1a-414** is amended to read:

23 **41-1a-414. Parking privileges for individuals with disabilities and expectant mothers.**

25 (1) As used in this section:

26 (a) "Accessible parking space" means a parking space that:

27 (i) is clearly identified as reserved for use by [a person] an individual with a disability and includes:

29 [(i)] (A) vertical signage, including the international symbol of accessibility, that is visible from a passing vehicle; and

31 [(ii)] (B) a clearly marked access aisle, if provided, that is adjacent to and considered part of the parking space[-] ; and

33 (ii) an individual with a disability or an expectant mother may use for parking, in accordance with the requirements of this part.

35 (b) "Expectant mother" means an individual who is pregnant, as confirmed by a physician.

37 (c) {"Physician"} "Expectant mother parking placard" means {the same as} a temporary removable windshield placard that {term is defined in Section 41-1a-420.} includes, conspicuously displayed:  
38 {[(b)] (d)} the expiration date of the placard; and

40 (ii) the following statement, in bold, "An expectant mother parking placard may be issued only to an expectant mother and is valid for up to one year after the date of issuance."

43 (d) "Physician" means the same as that term is defined in Section 41-1a-420.

44 (e)

(i) "Removable windshield placard" means a placard that is removable and meant to be displayed on, or visible from, the windshield of a vehicle.

46 (ii) "Removable windshield placard" includes:

47 (A) an expectant mother parking placard;

48 (B) a temporary removable windshield placard;

49 (C) a temporary wheelchair user placard; and

50 (D) a wheelchair user placard.

51 (f) "Temporary removable windshield placard" means a removable windshield placard with an expiration date.

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- 53 ~~[(b)]~~ (g) "Temporary wheelchair user placard" means the same as that term is defined in Section  
41-1a-420.
- 40 ~~[(e)]~~ (e){(h)} "Van accessible parking space" means an accessible parking space that is marked for use  
by a qualifying ~~[person]~~ individual with a walking disability who has a temporary wheelchair user  
placard or a wheelchair user placard and includes:
- 43 (i) vertical signage with the international symbol of accessibility and the words "van accessible" that is  
visible from a passing vehicle; and
- 45 (ii) a clearly marked access aisle that is adjacent to and considered part of the parking space.
- 47 ~~[(d)]~~ (f){(i)} "Walking disability" means a physical disability that requires the use of a walking-  
assistive device or wheelchair or similar low-powered motorized or mechanically propelled vehicle  
that is specifically designed to assist ~~[a person]~~ an individual who has a limited or impaired ability  
to walk.
- 51 ~~[(e)]~~ (g){(j)} "Wheelchair user placard" means the same as that term is defined in Section 41-1a-420.
- 53 (2) Except in parking areas designated for emergency use, ~~[a person]~~ an individual ~~{ }~~ an individual  
} with a disability, qualifying under rules made in accordance with Section 41-1a-420, may park  
an appropriately marked vehicle for reasonable periods without charge in metered parking zones  
and restricted parking areas, in a manner that allows proper access to the vehicle by the ~~[person]~~  
} individual with a disability.
- 58 (3)  
(a) The division shall create { a temporary, removable windshield parking placard for } an expectant  
mother parking placard.
- 60 (4){(b)}  
{(a)} The division shall provide for the design, size, color, and placement of the expectant mother  
parking placard described in Subsection {(3)} (3)(a).
- 62 (b){(4)} The { placard } division shall { be designed } issue an expectant mother parking placard to  
{ conspicuously display } an applicant who:
- 63 (i){(a)} { the expiration date of the permit; and } is an expectant mother;
- 64 (ii){(b)} { the following statement, in bold, "An expectant mother parking placard may be issued only to  
} completes an { expectant mother } application as required under this section; and { is valid for up to  
one year after the date of issuance."}

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- (5)(c) ~~{The division shall issue an expectant mother windshield placard to an applicant who:}~~ pays a \$15 application fee.
- 68 (a)(5) ~~{is an expectant mother;}~~ The division shall deposit the application fee described in Subsection (4)(c) into the License Plate Restricted Account described in Section 41-1a-122.
- 69 (b)(6) ~~{completes}~~ An application for an {application as required under this section; and} expectant mother parking placard shall include:
- 70 (c)(a) ~~{pays}~~ a certification by a { \$15 application fee.} physician that the applicant is an expectant mother;
- 71 (6)(b) ~~{An application for a placard described in Subsection (3) shall include:}~~ the certifying physician's name and address; and
- 72 (a)(c) ~~{a certification by a physician that}~~ the {applicant is an expectant mother;} signatures of:
- 73 (b)(i) the certifying {physician's name and address} physician; and
- 74 (c)(ii) the {signatures of:} applicant.
- 88 [(3)]
- (a)
- 75 {(i)} {the certifying physician;}
- {the applicant; and}
- 77 {(iii)} {the representative of the division processing the application.}
- 78 {(3)}{(7)}
- {(a)}
- (i) Only those vehicles carrying{:
- 79 (A) { } -a person-{ } an individual } with a disability special group license plate{ } ;{ } {:
- 80 (B) { } -{ } a } temporary removable windshield placard{ } ;{ } { described in this section; or }
- 81 (C) { } -or-{ } a } removable windshield placard{ } ;} and
- 82 (ii) Vehicles } transporting a qualifying-{ } person-{ } individual } with a disability-{ or an expectant mother } may park in an accessible parking space: ]
- 84 [(b) A violation of Subsection { } (3)(a)-{ } (7)(a)-} is a class C misdemeanor.]
- 85 [(e) { } A person{ } An individual } described in Subsection-{ } (3)(a)-{ } (7)(a)-} is encouraged to avoid parking in a van accessible parking space unless:]
- 87 [(i) the-{ } person-{ } individual } has a walking disability and has a temporary wheelchair user placard;]
- 89 [(ii) the-{ } person-{ } individual } has a wheelchair user placard; or]

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~~[(iii) all other accessible parking spaces that are not van accessible parking spaces are occupied.]~~

~~(7)~~

~~(a) A vehicle may park in an accessible parking space if:~~

~~(i) the vehicle displays:~~

~~(A) a disability special group license plate;~~

~~(B) a temporary removable windshield placard; or~~

~~(C) a removable windshield placard; and~~

~~(ii) the vehicle is transporting a qualifying individual with a disability or an expectant mother.~~

~~(b) An individual who violates Subsection (7)(a) is guilty of a class C misdemeanor.~~

~~(c) An individual parking a vehicle described in Subsection (7)(a) is encouraged to avoid parking in a van accessible parking space unless:~~

~~(i) the individual has a walking disability and has a temporary wheelchair user placard;~~

~~(ii) the individual has a wheelchair user placard; or~~

~~(iii) all other accessible parking spaces that are not van accessible parking spaces are occupied.~~

~~[(4)] (8) This section applies to and may be enforced on public property and on private property that is used or intended for use by the public.~~

~~[(5)] (9) The parking privileges granted by this section also apply to vehicles displaying {f} a person ] {an individual} with a:~~

~~(a) disability special group license plate[;] ;{f} ;}~~

~~(b) temporary removable windshield placard described in this section[;] ; {described in this section;} or~~

~~(c) removable windshield placard issued by another jurisdiction if displayed on a vehicle being used by [a person-] an individual with a disability.~~

~~[(6)] (10) In addition to required accessible parking spaces, a person may provide and designate parking spaces for veterans and service members, including those with a disability.~~

Section 2. Section **41-6a-217** is amended to read:

**41-6a-217. Volunteers may be authorized to enforce certain parking provisions.**

(1) ~~[Any]~~ A law enforcement agency authorized to enforce parking laws in this state may appoint volunteers to issue citations for violations of:

(a) ~~[the provisions of]~~ Subsections ~~[41-1a-414(3) and (4)]~~ 41-1a-414(7) and (8) ~~]-] 41-1a-414(7) and (8)~~ related to parking for ~~[a person-]~~ an individual with a disability;

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(b) ~~[any]~~ a municipal or county accessible parking privileges ordinance for ~~[a person]~~ an individual with a disability; or

(c) ~~[the provisions of]~~ Subsection 41-6a-1307(4) related to parking in a school bus parking zone.

(2) A volunteer appointed under this section must be at least 21 years ~~[of age]~~ old.

(3) The law enforcement agency appointing a volunteer may establish any other qualification for the volunteer that the agency finds desirable.

(4) A volunteer may not issue citations until the volunteer has received training from the appointing law enforcement agency.

(5) A citation issued by a volunteer under this section has the same ~~[force and]~~ effect as a citation issued by a peace officer for the same offense.

### Section 3. **Effective date.**

Effective Date.

This bill takes effect on {~~May 6,~~} July 1, 2026.

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