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HOUSE BILL NO. 11331



Introduced by: Reps. Keith Micah "Atty. Mike" D.L. Tan

AN ACT
PROMOTING RESPONSIBLE MOTOR VEHICLE OWNERSHIP BY REQUIRING PROOF OF
LAWFUL PARKING AS A CONDITION FOR THE REGISTRATION AND RENEWAL OF
REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES, AND STRENGTHENING THE ENFORCEMENT
AGAINST ILLEGAL ON-STREET PARKING

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article II, Section 5 of the 1987 Constitution declares that the maintenance of peace and order and the promotion of the general welfare are essential to the enjoyment of the blessings of democracy.

Rapid urbanization and the increasing number of motor vehicles have placed significant pressure on the country's limited road network. Residential streets, major thoroughfares, alleys, and pedestrian pathways are heavily obstructed by parked vehicles. Illegally parked vehicles are one of the causes of traffic congestion that impacts other drivers passing through busy thoroughfares. These can also be a major hindrance for pedestrians, residents of nearby areas, and emergency vehicles.¹ While local government units and traffic management agencies have implemented various measures to regulate parking, enforcement remains inconsistent and fragmented. At the same time, many communities lack organized parking systems that provide motorists with lawful alternatives to indiscriminate street parking.

This measure seeks to promote responsible motor vehicle ownership by requiring proof of lawful parking as a condition for the registration and renewal of registration of motor vehicles, strengthening enforcement against illegal on-street parking, and authorizing local government units to establish and regulate designated on-street parking areas where traffic conditions permit. Rather than discouraging vehicle ownership, this measure seeks to ensure that ownership is accompanied by responsibility while preserving public roads primarily for transportation and public use.

In view of the foregoing, the immediate passage of this measure is earnestly sought.


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¹ Kara Santos. (2025, August 22). *Understanding illegal parking: A guide on where not to park your vehicles*. [Top Gear Philippines](#)

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. *Short Title.* — This Act shall be known as the “Responsible Vehicle Parking Act.”

SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* — It is hereby declared the policy of the State to promote responsible motor vehicle ownership, protect public roads from unauthorized occupation, improve traffic mobility, safeguard pedestrian safety, and ensure that public roads are used primarily for transportation rather than as permanent parking spaces. The State likewise recognizes the important role of Local Government Units (LGUs) in developing safe, orderly, and efficient parking systems consistent with sound traffic engineering and urban planning principles.

SEC. 3. *Definition of Terms.* — For the purposes of this Act:

- (a) *Lawful Parking* refers to parking in a privately owned, leased, authorized, or government-designated parking space or facility.
- (b) *Designated On-Street Parking* refers to parking areas established by the LGUs pursuant to this Act.
- (c) *Motor Vehicle* shall have the same meaning as provided under existing transportation laws.
- (d) *Habitual Parking* refers to the act of repeatedly or continuously parking a vehicle for more than twelve (12) hours a day, within a period of at least three (3) days in a week, whether or not consecutive, in the same location or manner.

SEC. 4. *Proof of Lawful Parking.* — Any person, whether natural or juridical, who intends to purchase or to renew the registration of a motor vehicle, shall be required to submit proof of lawful parking before the Land Transportation Office (LTO) as a requisite for the aforementioned registration or renewal of registration.

No person shall use public roads, sidewalks, bicycle lanes, pedestrian crossings, or other

public rights-of-way as permanent parking spaces, except in areas specifically designated for parking by the appropriate government authority.

As a condition for the initial registration and renewal of registration of any motor vehicle, the registered owner shall submit proof of lawful parking. Acceptable proof shall include any of the following:

- (a) Certificate of ownership of a parking space;
- (b) Lease agreement covering a parking space;
- (c) Condominium parking certificate;
- (d) Written authority from the owner of a parking facility;
- (e) A valid parking permit issued by the concerned LGU for a designated on-street parking area established pursuant to this Act;
- (f) Affidavit attesting to the availability of a permanent parking space or facility or that a parking space or facility has been leased or procured specifically for the purpose of parking the motor vehicle to be registered; or
- (g) Such other proof as may be recognized by the LTO through the Implementing Rules and Regulations of this Act.

The document must be kept on file, and the same shall be produced when there exists a claim or evidence to the contrary that the parking space or facility attested therein does not exist.

SEC. 5. *Designated On-Street Parking Areas.* — LGUs may establish designated on-street parking areas on roads or portions thereof where parking will not unduly impede traffic flow, emergency response, pedestrian movement, or public transportation.

The designation of such parking areas shall be based on traffic engineering studies and shall be coordinated with the LGUs together with their respective traffic management authority.

LGUs may issue long-term parking permits, prescribe reasonable parking fees, determine operating hours, and adopt regulations governing the use of designated on-street parking areas.

All designated on-street parking areas shall have at least one (1) legible and visible sign posted, namely "ON-STREET PARKING AREA" for the information and guidance of all concerned.

SEC. 6. *Reporting Mechanism.* — Any concerned individual may report to the LTO the existence of motor vehicles which are habitually parked on the streets, alleys or pathways primarily used for pedestrian and motor vehicle traffic and are not designated on-street parking areas. Authorized personnel of the LTO shall conduct periodic ocular inspections for the purpose of strictly implementing the provisions of this Act.

The LTO shall, motu proprio or upon a complaint, ascertain the veracity of the non-existence of a permanent parking space or facility for a registered motor vehicle. Upon determination of the lack of proof of lawful parking, and after observance of due process, the certificate of registration issued to the violating motor vehicle owner shall be revoked under the provisions of this Act.

This shall be without prejudice to the filing of the necessary complaint for illegal parking pursuant to respective LGU ordinances.

SEC. 7. *Penalties.* — A motor vehicle registration issued to an owner, whether natural or juridical, which has been fraudulently obtained from the LTO by making untrue claims in the public document executed for the purpose of complying with the requirements under Section 4 of this Act, shall be revoked, and will be penalized with the same penalty for driving an unregistered vehicle under existing rules and regulations.

In cases where the vehicle habitually parked in non-designated on-street parking areas has obstructed or impeded the way of an ambulance or fire trucks responding to an emergency, the penalty of immediate impoundment of the motor vehicle shall be imposed, in addition to a fine amounting to Fifteen Thousand Pesos (PhP 15,000.00).

The penalties enumerated herein shall be without prejudice to the liability that may be incurred under the Revised Penal Code and other existing laws and ordinances.

Nothing in this Act shall prohibit temporary parking where otherwise allowed under existing laws and ordinances.

SEC. 8. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* — Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Department of Transportation, in consultation with the Department of the Interior and Local Government, LTO, and representatives from the LGUs, shall promulgate the rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SEC. 9. *Separability Clause.* — If any portion or provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act or any provision not affected thereby shall remain in force and effect.

SEC. 10. *Repealing Clause.* — All other laws, acts, presidential decrees, executive orders, issuances, presidential proclamations, rules and regulations or parts thereof, which are contrary to and inconsistent with any provision of this Act, are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SEC. 11. *Effectivity.* — This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,