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## **HB 2485**

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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 28-873, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO VEHICLE  
STOPPING, STANDING OR PARKING.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 28-873, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 28-873. Stopping, standing or parking prohibitions;  
5 exceptions; civil penalty; definition

6 A. Except if necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or if  
7 in compliance with law or the directions of a police officer or traffic  
8 control device, a person shall not stop, stand or park a vehicle in any of  
9 the following places:

10 1. On a sidewalk, INCLUDING STOPPING, STANDING OR PARKING A VEHICLE  
11 SO THAT ANY PART OF THE VEHICLE OR AN ATTACHMENT TO THE VEHICLE, INCLUDING  
12 A HITCH OR TRAILER, BLOCKS AN AREA OF A SIDEWALK AND IMPEDES CONTINUOUS  
13 PEDESTRIAN USE OF THE SIDEWALK IN A MANNER THAT IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH THE  
14 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AS DEFINED IN SECTION 41-1492. A PERSON  
15 WHO VIOLATES THIS PARAGRAPH IS SUBJECT TO A CIVIL PENALTY OF AT LEAST  
16 \$500.

17 2. In front of a public or private driveway, except that this  
18 paragraph does not apply to a vehicle or the driver of a vehicle engaged  
19 in the official delivery of the United States mail if both of the  
20 following apply:

21 (a) The driver does not leave the vehicle.

22 (b) The vehicle is stopped only momentarily.

23 3. Within an intersection.

24 4. Within fifteen feet of a fire hydrant.

25 5. On a crosswalk.

26 6. Within twenty feet of a crosswalk at an intersection.

27 7. Within thirty feet on the approach to any flashing beacon, stop  
28 sign, yield sign or traffic control signal located at the side of a  
29 roadway.

30 8. Between a safety zone and the adjacent curb or within thirty  
31 feet of points on the curb immediately opposite the ends of a safety zone,  
32 unless the director or a local authority indicates a different length by  
33 signs or markings.

34 9. Within fifty feet of the nearest rail or a railroad crossing or  
35 within eight feet six inches of the center of any railroad track, except  
36 while a motor vehicle with motive power attached is loading or unloading  
37 railroad cars.

38 10. Within twenty feet of the driveway entrance to a fire station  
39 and on the side of a street opposite the entrance to any fire station  
40 within seventy-five feet of the entrance when properly posted.

41 11. Alongside or opposite a street excavation or obstruction when  
42 stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic.

43 12. On the roadway side of a vehicle stopped or parked at the edge  
44 or curb of a street.

- 1           13. On a bridge or other elevated structure on a highway or within  
2 a highway tunnel.
- 3           14. At any place where official signs prohibit standing or  
4 stopping.
- 5           15. On a controlled access highway except:
- 6           (a) For emergency reasons.
- 7           (b) In areas specifically designated for parking such as rest  
8 areas.
- 9           B. A local authority may allow motor vehicles providing a public  
10 entity's public transportation service to stop on a state highway or state  
11 route for the purpose of allowing passengers to enter or exit if all of  
12 the following apply:
- 13           1. The local authority that has jurisdiction over the location of  
14 the proposed stopping point conducts a traffic and engineering  
15 investigation to determine whether passengers are able to safely enter or  
16 exit public transportation vehicles at the proposed stopping point.
- 17           2. The local authority that conducts the traffic and engineering  
18 investigation pursuant to paragraph 1 of this subsection submits the  
19 results of the investigation to the director for review and approval of  
20 the proposed stopping point.
- 21           3. The driver does not leave the vehicle.
- 22           4. The vehicle is stopped only long enough to load and unload  
23 passengers.
- 24           5. The vehicle engages four-way hazard flashers.
- 25           6. The roadway has a posted speed limit that does not exceed  
26 fifty-five miles per hour.
- 27           7. The roadway has signed or signalized intersection controls  
28 within a jurisdictionally confined boundary.
- 29           8. The vehicle is clearly marked as a public transportation  
30 vehicle.
- 31           9. As determined by the director in conjunction with the local  
32 authority, the driver drives the vehicle into a pullout or uses any other  
33 available method that limits the vehicle from interfering with traffic on  
34 the roadway.
- 35           C. For the purposes of this section, "public transportation  
36 vehicle" means any vehicle that either:
- 37           1. Is owned or operated by a public entity.
- 38           2. Is operated under a contract with a public entity.