

HOUSE BILL 187: Amend Town of Elon Charter/Parking Ordinances.

2019-2020 General Assembly

Analysis of:

Committee: House State and Local Government. If Date:

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favorable, re-refer to Finance. If favorable, rerefer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the

House

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OVERVIEW: House Bill 187 would amend the charter of the Town of Elon to allow the Town to adopt and enforce ordinances related to parking.

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 187 would amend the charter of the Town of Elon to provide that the board of aldermen may, by ordinance, enact the following parking provisions:

- That each hour a vehicle remains illegally parked in an on-street parking space is a separate offense, and the violator may be given a ticket for each offense.
- That any vehicle that has been towed for a parking violation must be held until the towing fee and penalties for all outstanding parking tickets and parking penalties owed to the town are paid in full, or a bond is posted. Payment of the towing fee, parking tickets, and parking penalties is not a waiver of a person's right to contest those items.
- That the use of wheel locks and towing is permitted for a vehicle parked in a public vehicular area for which there is one or more outstanding, unpaid, and overdue parking tickets for a period of 45 days. The ordinance must provide for notice or warning to be affixed to the vehicle, immobilization, towing, impoundment, appeal, an immobilization fee not to exceed \$50.00, and charges for towing and storage. The town is not responsible for damage to an immobilized vehicle parked in a public vehicular area that results from unauthorized attempts to free or move that vehicle.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The act would be effective when it becomes law.

