

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

2019-2020 General Assembly

Committee: House Finance. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, **Date:** May 22, 2019

Calendar, and Operations of the House

Introduced by: Reps. Ross, Riddell
Analysis of: PCS to First Edition
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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.

The PCS would provide that each 24 hour period a vehicle remains illegally parked in the same onstreet parking space would be a separate offense for which a violator could receive a parking ticket.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** The PCS to 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 24 hour period a vehicle remains illegally parked in the same 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.

