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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2491**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Nazarian**

February 19, 2016

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An act to add Section 22500.2 to the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2491, as amended, Nazarian. Vehicles: stopping, standing, and parking.

Existing law prohibits a person from stopping, parking, or leaving standing any vehicle whether attended or unattended, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a peace officer or official traffic control device, in designated places, including, among other places, within 15 feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station. A violation of this provision is subject to a civil penalty.

This bill would authorize a local authority to, by ordinance, prohibit a person from stopping, parking, or leaving a vehicle within 15 feet of a driveway that is used by certain emergency vehicles to enter or exit a fire department, police department, ambulance service provider facility, or general acute care hospital, except as specified, and would require a local authority that enacts that ordinance to provide appropriate curb markings *or* “KEEP CLEAR” pavement markings and post appropriate signs that delineate this prohibited area.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 22500.2 is added to the Vehicle Code,  
2 to read:  
3 22500.2. (a) A local authority may, by ordinance, prohibit a  
4 person from stopping, parking, or leaving standing a vehicle,  
5 whether attended or unattended, except if necessary to avoid  
6 conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of  
7 a peace officer or official traffic control device, within 15 feet of  
8 a driveway that is used by an emergency vehicle owned or operated  
9 by a fire department, police department, ambulance service care  
10 provider, or general acute care hospital, to enter or exit a fire  
11 station, police station, ambulance service provider facility, or  
12 general acute care hospital. This section does not apply to any  
13 vehicle owned or operated by a fire department, police department,  
14 ambulance service provider, or general acute care hospital, if the  
15 vehicle is clearly marked as a fire department vehicle, police  
16 department vehicle, ambulance, or general acute care hospital  
17 vehicle.  
18 (b) A local authority that enacts an ordinance pursuant to  
19 subdivision (a) shall provide appropriate curb markings *or* “KEEP  
20 CLEAR” *pavement markings* and post signs that delineate the area  
21 specified in subdivision (a).

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