

AN ACT

relating to the removal of illegally parked vehicles from residential parking permit areas in certain municipalities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 2308.354, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Subsections (c) and (d) to read as follows:

(c) In addition to the authority granted under Subsection (a) and to aid in the enforcement of an ordinance regulating the parking of vehicles, a municipality with a population of 1.9 million or more may authorize a designated employee to request the removal of a vehicle parked illegally in an area designated as a tow-away zone in a residential area where on-street parking is regulated by the ordinance.

(d) Subsections (a) and (c) do not apply to a vehicle owned by an electric, gas, water, or telecommunications utility while the vehicle is parked for the purpose of conducting work on a facility of the utility that is located below, above, or adjacent to the street.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2346 was passed by the House on May 12, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 149, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 2346 on May 29, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 118, Nays 26, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2346 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 27, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor