

SENATE BILL 2199

By Bailey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55,
Chapter 8, relative to unauthorized parking on
highways.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-160, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(f)

(1) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the fine imposed for any person parking in violation of this section, § 55-8-158, § 55-8-161, or any other law, shall be two hundred dollars (\$200) if, at the time of the parking violation, the vehicle is parked on any two-lane state highway so that a portion of the vehicle encroaches into or obstructs the highway or the highway's right-of-way in a manner that restricts, or reasonably could restrict, an emergency vehicle from accessing the highway or right-of-way.

(2) As used in subdivision (f)(1), "emergency vehicle" means any vehicle of a governmental department or public service corporation when responding to an emergency, any vehicle of a police or fire department, and any ambulance.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.