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MINER ANNOUNCES LEGISLATION TO CURB VEHICLE BOOTING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

*New Legislation Would Fine Property Owners \$500 for Using
Unauthorized Vehicle Immobilization Devices on Cars on Their
Properties*

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SYRACUSE, N.Y. – Mayor Stephanie A. Miner announced today legislation which would ban the practice of booting on private property.

“This legislation takes an important action in safeguarding car owners from often expensive and exploitative booting on private property,” said **Syracuse Mayor Stephanie A. Miner**. “While drivers should be careful not to park in private lots, it is entirely unfair for businesses to boot their cars, trapping drivers while they are forced to wait and pay hefty fees.”

With this new legislation, the use of vehicle immobilization devices on private property by property owners or by private companies hired by property owners will be prohibited. Violations of this ordinance will be enforced by the police. Violators will be cited and subject to a \$500 fine or 60 days in prison.

Mayor Miner added, “We are taking this issue very seriously. It is important to safeguard car owners as they try to do business around the City of Syracuse.”

The legislation will be presented to the Common Council by the Miner administration at a study session happening today at 12:00 p.m. The legislation could be voted on as soon as Monday, February 8 at the Council’s next voting meeting.

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