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### **AB1379 – Disabled Access Law, Fee Increase to \$4**

The State Mandated Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Disabled Access fee will be increasing from \$1 to \$4 effective January 1, 2018. New business license applications and renewals received prior to January 1, 2018 will continue to pay the lower \$1 fee. Business license applications and renewals received after January 1, 2018 will pay the \$4 increase. All businesses are subject to this fee: including rental properties, out-of-town businesses, home-based businesses, contractors, exempt businesses and non-profits.

In order to comply with the legal mandates of AB1379, the City of Escondido charges the additional \$4 fee on business license renewals, new business applications, and similar licensing and certification instruments 2018 – 2022 calendar years.

The fees will be used to fund increased certified access specialist (CASp) services for the public, facilitate compliance with construction-related accessibility requirements, training and retention of certified access specialists to meet the needs of the public, for deposit in the Disability Access and Education Fund and for related administrative costs. Under federal and state law, compliance with disability access laws is a serious and significant responsibility that applies to all California building owners and tenants with buildings open to the public.