

House Bill 2603

Sponsored by Representative CLEM (at the request of Richard Morganstern)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Allows use of metal detectors or similar devices in state parks without permit, fee or other charge. Authorizes State Parks and Recreation Department to prohibit use of metal detectors or similar devices in any state park or in designated areas of any state park to protect natural resources, safeguard archaeological areas or ensure public safety.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to metal detectors in state parks.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. (1) An individual may use a metal detector or similar device without a per-**
5 **mit or paying a fee or other charge in any state park over which the State Parks and Re-**
6 **creation Department has jurisdiction and authority under ORS 390.111.**

7 **(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, the State Parks and Recreation De-**
8 **partment may prohibit the use of metal detectors or similar devices in any state park or in**
9 **designated areas of any state park in order to protect natural resources, safeguard**
10 **archaeological areas or ensure public safety.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.