Senate Bill 423

Sponsored by Senator GIROD

SUMMARY

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Directs State Parks and Recreation Commission to authorize use of state parks, individual campsites and day use fee areas free of charge for person who has adopted child.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to use of state parks by persons with adopted children; amending ORS 390.124.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 390.124 is amended to read:

390.124. (1) In accordance with any applicable provision of ORS chapter 183, the State Parks and Recreation Commission may adopt rules necessary to carry out the duties, functions and powers imposed by law upon the commission and the State Parks and Recreation Department. Rules adopted pursuant to this section shall be duly entered in the minutes and records of the commission.

- (2) The commission may adopt rules that assess reasonable charges, including fee reductions, waivers and exemptions, for the use of areas established and maintained by the department. However, the commission shall authorize the use of any state park, individual campsite or day use fee area without charge:
- (a) Upon the showing of proper identification, by a person maintaining a foster home, as defined by ORS 418.625, and the person's children, when accompanied by a foster child residing in the home.
- (b) Upon the showing of proper identification, by a person maintaining a developmental disability child foster home, as defined by ORS 443.830, and the person's children, when accompanied by a foster child residing in the home.
- (c) Upon the showing of proper identification, by a person who has adopted a child who is under the age of 18 at the time the use is authorized, and the person's children, when accompanied by the adopted child.
- [(c)] (d) If a deed to, lease of or contract to use the property used as a state park, campsite or day use fee area prohibits the charging of fees for use of the property.
- [(d)] (e) Upon the showing of proper identification, by either a disabled veteran or a person on leave from military active duty status on Memorial Day, Independence Day or Veterans Day.
- (3) The commission shall report to an appropriate committee of the Legislative Assembly, no later than January 31 of each odd-numbered year, on the fee reductions, waivers and exemptions adopted by rule by the commission pursuant to subsection (2) of this section.

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