

HB 2318

Relating to State Parks and Recreation Department fees

HB 2318 modifies the process for establishing or adjusting fees for the use of state parks.

The measure allows for the State Parks and Recreation Commission to establish a schedule that sets forth a range of charges within which the State Parks and Recreation Director may set, adjust, and assess fees for use of areas established and maintained by the department. The Director is limited to adjusting the fees to no more than four times each year.

The range of fees established by the State Parks and Recreation Commission remains subject to legislative approval, or ratification, but the bill exempts the specific fees set or adjusted within that range from the legislative ratification process.

OPRD anticipates an overall increase in fee revenues resulting from the measure of \$800,840 in the 2017-19 biennium.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends HB 2318 be reported out do pass.