Senate Bill 794

Sponsored by Senator TAYLOR

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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.**

Establishes fee differential for nonresident users of areas established and maintained by State Parks and Recreation Department and relating to recreational vehicles.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to parks user fees; amending ORS 390.124; and prescribing an effective date.

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)(a) The commission may adopt by rule a schedule setting forth the range of reasonable charges that may be assessed for the use of areas established and maintained by the department. The range of user fees relating to recreational vehicles must be 25 percent greater for non-

residents than for residents of this state.

- (b) With the approval of the commission, the State Parks and Recreation Director may set, adjust and assess fees for the use of areas established and maintained by the department. Fees assessed under this paragraph must be within the range of reasonable charges adopted by the commission under paragraph (a) of this subsection. The director may adjust a fee under this paragraph no more than four times per calendar year. The director may also adopt rules establishing reductions in waivers of or exemption from the charges.
- (c) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection, 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) 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) 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 adopt any rules pursuant to ORS chapter 183 that the commission considers necessary to carry out ORS 273.563 to 273.591.

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.

SECTION 2. This 2021 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2021 regular session of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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