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HOUSE BILL No. 6049

May 9, 2002, Introduced by Reps. Middaugh, Gosselin, Basham, Scranton, Meyer, Palmer, Cameron Brown, Shackleton and DeVuyst and referred to the Committee on Conservation and Outdoor Recreation.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 74116 (MCL 324.74116), as added by 1995 PA 58.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 74116. The department shall designate the state parks in which a park permit is required for lawful entry by motor vehicle. The department shall designate only those parks in which state facilities and services are provided for the public. The department may designate portions of state parks where a park permit is not necessary. The department shall post signs at designated parks or designated portions of parks that state that a motor vehicle park permit is required. A person shall not enter any state park or portion of a state park in which a motor vehicle park permit is required without a valid motor vehicle

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- 1 permit affixed to the vehicle. A valid park permit procured
- 2 pursuant to section 74117 shall be permanently affixed to the
- 3 lower right-hand corner of the windshield of any EACH motor
- 4 vehicle entering a state park or portion of a state park in which
- 5 a motor vehicle park permit is required. -, except that THE PARK
- 6 PERMIT SHALL BE AFFIXED TO THE MOTOR VEHICLE'S WINDSHIELD IN THE
- 7 AREA DESIGNATED BY THE DEPARTMENT. HOWEVER, a park permit is not
- 8 required to be affixed to a motor vehicle while the motor vehicle
- 9 is being driven or parked within an established federal, state,
- 10 or county highway within a state park. The requirement to obtain
- 11 a motor vehicle park permit does not apply to motor vehicles
- 12 ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 13 (A) A RECREATIONAL VEHICLE FUNCTIONING AS A STATIONARY PRI-
- 14 MARY CAMPING SHELTER CAMPED LEGALLY IN AND NOT MOVED FROM THE
- 15 STATE PARK CAMPGROUND DURING THE PERIOD OF THE CAMPING STAY. THE
- 16 EXEMPTION PROVIDED FOR IN THIS SUBDIVISION APPLIES ONLY IF BOTH
- 17 OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE MET:
- 18 (i) THE OPERATION OF THE RECREATIONAL VEHICLE IS LIMITED TO
- 19 THE DATE OF ARRIVAL AND THE DATE OF DEPARTURE.
- 20 (ii) THE RECREATIONAL VEHICLE IS PART OF A CAMP THAT
- 21 INCLUDES 1 ADDITIONAL MOTORIZED VEHICLE.
- 22 (B) A MOTOR VEHICLE used in the operation or maintenance of
- 23 A state parks, to PARK.
- 24 (C) AN emergency vehicles, or to VEHICLE.
- 25 (D) A state-owned or law enforcement motor vehicles
- 26 VEHICLE or private motor vehicles VEHICLE being operated on
- 27 official state business.