

Legislative Analysis



STATE PARK PERMIT; ORV LICENSES

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Senate Bill 924 (Substitute S-2)

Sponsor: Sen. Michelle A. McManus

House Committee: Conservation, Forestry, and Outdoor Recreation

Senate Committee: Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs

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A SUMMARY OF SENATE BILL 924 (S-2) AS PASSED BY THE SENATE 11-14-06

The bill would amend the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to:

- Delay from January 1, 2007, to January 1, 2010, the expiration date on annual and daily state park permit fees (shown in table below).
- Require the Department of Natural Resources to replace a person's annual park permit or off-road vehicle license free of charge, if the permit or license were lost or destroyed; and allow the DNR to require a person requesting a replacement to supply sufficient evidence of the loss or destruction of the original permit or license.
- Allow the DNR to waive the state park permit requirement for department-sponsored events or other circumstances, as determined by the DNR director or the director's designee.

State Park Entrance Fees

Permit	Fee
Annual	
Resident	\$24
Resident 65 years or older	6
Resident food stamp card-holder	18
Nonresident	29
Daily	
Resident	6
Nonresident	8

The annual ORV license fee is \$16.25.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This bill would not have a fiscal impact on the state or on local governmental units. The bill would extend the sunset date for Motor Vehicle Permits (Annual and Daily) to January 2010. There may be a revenue loss if the Director waives fees for volunteer operations, but the amount would depend on the number of free permits provided.

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