

HOUSE BILL No. 4983

October 13, 2015, Introduced by Reps. Rendon, LaFontaine, Goike, Johnson, Franz, McBroom, Iden, Plawecki, Brinks, Schor, Kivela, Cole, Santana, Gay-Dagnogo, Dianda, Pettalia, Inman, Lyons, Brunner, Smiley, Outman, Forlini, Chatfield, Hooker, Chirkun, Chang, Potvin and Lauwers and referred to the Committee on Tourism 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 amended by 2013 PA 81.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 74116. (1) Subject to subsection (4), the operator of a
 2 nonresident motor vehicle or commercial motor vehicle shall not
 3 enter any state park with that motor vehicle unless a valid motor
 4 vehicle park permit issued under section 74117 is affixed to the
 5 lower right-hand corner of the windshield. An annual motor vehicle
 6 park permit for a nonresident motor vehicle shall be affixed
 7 permanently for that year. The department shall post signs at parks
 8 that state that a motor vehicle **PARK** permit is required for entry
 9 by a nonresident motor vehicle or commercial motor vehicle.

1 (2) Subject to subsection (4), the operator of a resident
2 motor vehicle shall not enter a state park with the resident motor
3 vehicle unless the recreation passport fee has been paid for that
4 motor vehicle. Payment of the recreation passport fee authorizes
5 entry into all state parks and recreation areas and designated
6 state-operated public boating access sites until expiration of the
7 motor vehicle registration.

8 (3) Subject to subsection (4), if the secretary of state
9 issues registration tabs or stickers as described in section 805 of
10 the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.805, the operator
11 of a resident motor vehicle shall not enter a state park with the
12 resident motor vehicle unless the resident motor vehicle has a
13 registration tab or sticker marked as provided under that section
14 to show that the recreation passport fee has been paid.

15 (4) Subsections (1) to (3) do not apply under any of the
16 following circumstances:

17 (a) While the motor vehicle is being driven or parked within
18 an established federal, state, or county highway within a state
19 park.

20 (b) If the motor vehicle is used in the operation or
21 maintenance of a state park, is an emergency motor vehicle, is a
22 state owned or law enforcement motor vehicle, or is a private motor
23 vehicle being operated on official state business.

24 (c) If the motor vehicle is registered under section 803e(1)
25 of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.803e, and is
26 exempt under section 803e(6) of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA
27 300, MCL 257.803e, from the registration tax, or if the motor

1 vehicle is registered under section 217d or 803f of the Michigan
2 vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.217d and 257.803f.

3 (D) DURING A DAY THAT HAS BEEN DECLARED TO BE A FREE FISHING
4 DAY, OR SOMETHING TO THAT EFFECT, WHEN THE DIRECTOR HAS WAIVED THE
5 REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN A FISHING LICENSE IN ORDER TO FISH ON THAT
6 DAY.

7 (E) ~~(d)~~—If and to the extent THAT the department waives the
8 requirements for department-sponsored events or other circumstances
9 as determined by the director or the director's designee.

10 (5) DURING A TIME WHEN A PERSON IS EXEMPT UNDER SUBSECTION (4)
11 FROM THE REQUIREMENT OF OBTAINING A MOTOR VEHICLE PARK PERMIT OR A
12 RECREATION PASSPORT REGISTRATION TAB OR STICKER, THAT PERSON IS NOT
13 SUBJECT TO A PARKING FEE AT A STATE PARK, STATE RECREATION AREA, OR
14 STATE-OPERATED PUBLIC BOATING ACCESS SITE.