HOUSE BILL NO. 5230

November 07, 2019, Introduced by Reps. Kennedy, Ellison, Pohutsky, Brenda Carter, Bolden, Sowerby, Koleszar, Sabo, Witwer, Hood, Manoogian, Hope, Lasinski, Tate, Anthony, Stone, Haadsma, Shannon, Coleman, Brixie, Wittenberg, Hertel, Tyrone Carter, Yancey, Hammoud and Jones and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending sections 74116 and 78119 (MCL 324.74116 and 324.78119), section 74116 as amended by 2016 PA 1 and section 78119 as amended by 2013 PA 81.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 74116. (1) Subject to subsection (4), the operator of a nonresident motor vehicle or commercial motor vehicle shall not enter any state park with that motor vehicle unless a valid motor vehicle park permit issued under section 74117 is affixed to the





- 1 lower right-hand corner of the windshield. An annual motor vehicle
- 2 park permit for a nonresident motor vehicle shall be affixed
- 3 permanently for that year. The department shall post signs at parks
- 4 that state that a motor vehicle park permit is required for entry
- 5 by a nonresident motor vehicle or commercial motor vehicle.
- **6** (2) Subject to subsection (4), the operator of a resident
- 7 motor vehicle shall not enter a state park with the resident motor
- 8 vehicle unless the recreation passport fee has been paid for that
- 9 motor vehicle. Payment of the recreation passport fee authorizes
- 10 entry into all state parks and recreation areas and designated
- 11 state-operated public boating access sites until expiration of the
- 12 motor vehicle registration.
- 13 (3) Subject to subsection (4), if the secretary of state
- 14 issues registration tabs or stickers as described in section 805 of
- 15 the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.805, the operator
- 16 of a resident motor vehicle shall not enter a state park with the
- 17 resident motor vehicle unless the resident motor vehicle has a
- 18 registration tab or sticker marked as provided under that section
- 19 to show that the recreation passport fee has been paid.
- 20 (4) Subsections (1) to (3) do not apply under any of the
- 21 following circumstances:
- 22 (a) While the motor vehicle is being driven or parked within
- 23 an established federal, state, or county highway within a state
- **24** park.
- 25 (b) If the motor vehicle is used in the operation or
- 26 maintenance of a state park, is an emergency motor vehicle, is a
- 27 state owned or law enforcement motor vehicle, or is a private motor
- 28 vehicle being operated on official state business.
- (c) If the motor vehicle is registered under section 803e(1)



- 1 of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.803e, and is
- 2 exempt under section 803e(6) of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA
- 3 300, MCL 257.803e, from the registration tax, or if the motor
- 4 vehicle is registered under section 217d or 803f of the Michigan
- 5 vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.217d and 257.803f.
- 6 (d) If the operator or a passenger of the motor vehicle
- 7 possesses a valid, government-issued veteran identification, such
- 8 as an operator license indicating his or her veteran status as
- 9 provided for in section 310 of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA
- 10 300, MCL 257.310. That operator or passenger shall produce the
- 11 veteran identification if requested by a conservation officer or
- 12 park and recreation officer.
- (e) (d) At a state-operated public boating access site or At a
- 14 state park where there is an opportunity to fish on a day that the
- 15 department has designated as a free winter fishing day or a free
- 16 fishing day under section 43534.
- (f) (e) If and to the extent that the department waives the
- 18 requirements for department-sponsored events or other circumstances
- 19 as determined by the director or the director's designee.
- 20 Sec. 78119. (1) Subject to subsection (4), a person shall not
- 21 enter, in a nonresident motor vehicle or commercial motor vehicle,
- 22 a state-operated public boating access site designated under
- 23 section 78105(2) without a valid pass affixed to the lower right-
- 24 hand corner of the windshield. A seasonal pass shall be affixed
- 25 permanently for the season.
- 26 (2) Subject to subsection (4), the operator of a resident
- 27 motor vehicle shall not enter a state-operated public boating
- 28 access site designated under section 78105(2) with the resident
- 29 motor vehicle unless the recreation passport fee has been paid for



- 1 that motor vehicle. Payment of the recreation passport fee
- 2 authorizes entry into all state parks and recreation areas and
- 3 designated state-operated public boating access sites until
- 4 expiration of the motor vehicle registration.
- 5 (3) Subject to subsection (4), if the secretary of state
- 6 issues registration tabs or stickers as described in section 805 of
- 7 the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.805, the operator
- 8 of a resident motor vehicle shall not enter a designated state-
- 9 operated public boating access site with the resident motor vehicle
- 10 unless the resident motor vehicle has a registration tab or sticker
- 11 marked as provided under that section to show that the recreation
- 12 passport fee has been paid.
- 13 (4) Subsections (1) to (3) do not apply under any of the
- 14 following circumstances:
- 15 (a) If the motor vehicle is used in the operation or
- 16 maintenance of the public boating access site, is an emergency
- 17 motor vehicle, is a state-owned or law enforcement motor vehicle,
- 18 or is a private motor vehicle being operated on official state
- 19 business.
- 20 (b) If the motor vehicle is registered under section 803e(1)
- 21 of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.803e, and is
- 22 exempt under section 803e(6) of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA
- 23 300, MCL 257.803e, from the registration tax, or if the motor
- 24 vehicle is registered under section 217d or 803f of the Michigan
- 25 vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.217d and 257.803f.
- 26 (c) If the operator or a passenger of the motor vehicle
- 27 possesses a valid, government-issued veteran identification, such
- 28 as an operator license indicating his or her veteran status as
- 29 provided for in section 310 of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA



- 1 300, MCL 257.310. The operator or passenger shall produce the
- 2 veteran identification if requested by a conservation officer or
- 3 park and recreation officer.
- 4 (d) At a state-operated public boating access site where there
- 5 is an opportunity to fish on a day that the department has
- 6 designated as a free winter fishing day or a free fishing day under
- 7 section 43534.
- 8 (e) (c)—If and to the extent the department waives the
- 9 requirements for department-sponsored events or other circumstances
- 10 as determined by the director or the director's designee.
- 11 (5) A person who violates subsection (1), (2), or (3) is
- 12 responsible for a state civil infraction and may be ordered to pay
- 13 a civil fine of not more than \$100.00. A person shall not be cited
- 14 for a violation of both subsections (2) and (3) for the same
- 15 incident.
- 16 (6) In any proceeding for the violation of this part or a rule
- 17 promulgated under this part, if a motor vehicle is found parked in
- 18 a designated state-operated public boating access site, the
- 19 registration plate displayed on the motor vehicle constitutes prima
- 20 facie evidence that the owner of the motor vehicle was the person
- 21 who parked or placed it at the location where it was found.
- 22 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 23 after the date it is enacted into law.

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