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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 79A.05.065 and 2007 c 441 s 1 are each amended to
4 read as follows:

5 (1)(a) The commission shall grant to any person who meets the
6 eligibility requirements specified in this section a senior citizen's
7 pass which shall: (i) Entitle such a person, and members of his or her
8 camping unit, to a fifty percent reduction in the campsite rental fee
9 prescribed by the commission(~~(r)~~); and (ii) entitle such a person to
10 free admission to any state park.

11 (b) The commission shall grant a senior citizen's pass to any
12 person who applies for the (~~same~~) senior citizen's pass and who meets
13 the following requirements:

14 (i) The person is at least sixty-two years of age; (~~and~~)

15 (ii) The person is a domiciliary of the state of Washington and
16 meets reasonable residency requirements prescribed by the commission;
17 and

18 (iii) The person and his or her spouse have a combined income
19 (~~which~~) that would qualify the person for a property tax exemption
20 pursuant to RCW 84.36.381. The financial eligibility requirements of
21 this subsection (1)(b)(iii) (~~shall~~) apply regardless of whether the
22 applicant for a senior citizen's pass owns taxable property or has
23 obtained or applied for such property tax exemption.

24 (c) Each senior citizen's pass granted pursuant to this section is
25 valid (~~so~~) as long as the senior citizen meets the requirements of
26 (b)(ii) of this subsection. (~~Notwithstanding, any~~) A senior citizen
27 meeting the eligibility requirements of this section may make a
28 voluntary donation for the upkeep and maintenance of state parks.

29 (d) A holder of a senior citizen's pass shall surrender the pass
30 upon request of a commission employee when the employee has reason to

1 believe the holder fails to meet the criteria in (b) of this
2 subsection. The holder shall have the pass returned upon providing
3 proof to the satisfaction of the director (~~(of the parks and recreation~~
4 ~~commission))~~) that the holder (~~(does))~~) meets the eligibility criteria
5 for obtaining the senior citizen's pass.

6 (2)(a) Any resident of Washington who is disabled as defined by the
7 social security administration and who receives social security
8 benefits for that disability, or any other benefits for that disability
9 from any other governmental or nongovernmental source, or who is
10 entitled to benefits for permanent disability under RCW 71A.10.020(3)
11 due to unemployability full time at the minimum wage, or who is legally
12 blind or profoundly deaf, or who has been issued a card, decal, or
13 special license plate for a permanent disability under RCW 46.16.381
14 shall be entitled to receive, regardless of age and upon making
15 application therefor, a disability pass at no cost to the holder. The
16 pass shall: (i) Entitle such a person, and members of his or her
17 camping unit, to a fifty percent reduction in the campsite rental fee
18 prescribed by the commission(~~(τ))~~); and (ii) entitle such a person to
19 free admission to any state park.

20 (b) A card, decal, or special license plate issued for a permanent
21 disability under RCW 46.16.381 may serve as a pass for the holder to
22 entitle that person and members of the person's camping unit to a fifty
23 percent reduction in the campsite rental fee prescribed by the
24 commission, and to allow the holder free admission to state parks.

25 (3) Any resident of Washington who is a veteran and has a service-
26 connected disability of at least thirty percent shall be entitled to
27 receive a lifetime veteran's disability pass at no cost to the holder.
28 The pass shall: (a) Entitle such a person, and members of his or her
29 camping unit, to free use of any campsite within any state park; (b)
30 entitle such a person to free admission to any state park; and (c)
31 entitle such a person to an exemption from any reservation fees.

32 (4)(a) Any Washington state resident who provides out-of-home care
33 to a child, as either a licensed foster-family home or a person related
34 to the child, is entitled to a foster home pass.

35 (b) An applicant for a foster home pass must request a pass in the
36 manner required by the commission. Upon receipt of a properly
37 submitted request, the commission shall verify with the department of
38 social and health services that the applicant qualifies under (a) of

1 this subsection. Once issued, a foster home pass is valid for the
2 period, which may not be less than one year, designated by the
3 commission.

4 (c) When accompanied by a child receiving out-of-home care from the
5 pass holder, a foster home pass: (i) Entitles such a person, and
6 members of his or her camping unit, to free use of any campsite within
7 any state park; and (ii) entitles such a person to free admission to
8 any state park.

9 (d) For the purposes of this subsection (4):

10 (i) "Out-of-home care" means placement in a foster-family home or
11 with a person related to the child under the authority of chapter
12 13.32A, 13.34, or 74.13 RCW;

13 (ii) "Foster-family home" has the same meaning as defined in RCW
14 74.15.020; and

15 (iii) "Person related to the child" means those persons referred to
16 in RCW 74.15.020(2)(a) (i) through (vi).

17 (5) All passes issued pursuant to this section (~~shall be~~) are
18 valid at all parks any time during the year. However, the pass
19 (~~shall~~) is not (~~be~~) valid for admission to concessionaire operated
20 facilities.

21 (~~(+5)~~) (6) The commission shall negotiate payment and costs, to
22 allow holders of a foster home pass free access and usage of park
23 campsites, with the following nonoperated, nonstate-owned parks:
24 Central Ferry, Chief Timothy, Crow Butte, and Lyons Ferry. The
25 commission shall seek state general fund reimbursement on a biennial
26 basis.

27 (7) The commission may deny or revoke any Washington state park
28 pass issued under this section for cause, including but not limited to
29 the following:

30 (a) Residency outside the state of Washington;

31 (b) Violation of laws or state park rules resulting in eviction
32 from a state park;

33 (c) Intimidating, obstructing, or assaulting a park employee or
34 park volunteer who is engaged in the performance of official duties;

35 (d) Fraudulent use of a pass;

36 (e) Providing false information or documentation in the application
37 for a state parks pass;

1 (f) Refusing to display or show the pass to park employees when
2 requested; or

3 (g) Failing to provide current eligibility information upon request
4 by the agency or when eligibility ceases or changes.

5 ~~((6))~~ (8) This section shall not affect or otherwise impair the
6 power of the commission to continue or discontinue any other programs
7 it has adopted for senior citizens.

8 ~~((7))~~ (9) The commission may engage in a mutually agreed upon
9 reciprocal or discounted program for all or specific pass programs with
10 other outdoor recreation agencies.

11 ~~((8))~~ (10) The commission shall adopt ~~((such))~~ those rules as it
12 finds appropriate for the administration of this section. Among other
13 things, ~~((such))~~ the rules shall prescribe a definition of "camping
14 unit" which will authorize a reasonable number of persons traveling
15 with the person having a pass to stay at the campsite rented by such a
16 person, a minimum Washington residency requirement for applicants for
17 a senior citizen's pass, and an application form to be completed by
18 applicants for a senior citizen's pass."

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19 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "pass;" strike the remainder
20 of the title and insert "and amending RCW 79A.05.065."

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