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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

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Section 1. AS 37.05.146(c)(56) is amended to read:

(56) fees and other charges received by the Department of Natural Resources under AS 41.21.026 [FOR THE USE OF STATE PARK SYSTEM FACILITIES];

Sec. 2. AS 37.10.050(a) is amended to read:

(a) A state agency may not charge a fee for the provision of state services unless the fee (1) is set or otherwise authorized by statute; and (2) where a regulation is necessary, is set by or provided for in a regulation that meets the standards of AS 44.62.020 and 44.62.030. Unless specifically exempted by statute, a state agency authorized to collect or receive fees, licenses, taxes, or other money belonging to the state shall account for and remit the receipts, less fees to which the collector is entitled.
by statute or regulation, to the Department of Revenue at least once each month. The
commissioner of administration shall separately account under AS 37.05.142 for
receipts deposited under this subsection. A fee or other charge that is set by regulation
may not exceed the estimated actual costs of the state agency in administering the
activity or providing the service unless otherwise provided by the statute under which
the regulation is adopted; however, this limitation does not apply to sale or lease of
property by a state agency, fees charged by a resource agency for a designated
regulatory service as defined in AS 37.10.058, fees adopted by the Department of
Natural Resources under AS 41.21.026(f), AS 44.37.025, and AS 44.37.027, or
fees, rents, tolls, and other charges established or levied by the Department of
Transportation and Public Facilities for the use of the Knik Arm bridge and
appurtenant facilities.

* Sec. 3. AS 41.21.026(a) is amended to read:

(a) Notwithstanding (b) of this section, the department may charge or collect a
fee [IN A PARK UNIT] for

(1) rental of public use cabins or other overnight lodgings;
(2) overnight use of a developed campsite;
(3) special park use permits;
(4) competitive and exclusive commercial use permits;
(5) noncompetitive and nonexclusive commercial use permits;
(6) use of a sewage holding tank dump station;
(7) admission to or guided tours of visitor centers and historic sites;
(8) use of an improved boat ramp in a park facility developed
    principally for boat launching;
(9) sale of firewood;
(10) [SALE OF MERCHANDISE FOR INFORMATIONAL OR
    EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES RELATED TO PUBLIC USE AND
    UNDERSTANDING OF PARKS, INCLUDING MAPS, PLANS, AND OTHER
    GRAPHIC MATERIALS;
(11) use of a developed facility that has developed parking and rest
rooms; and
(11) [(12)] presentation or attendance at programs related to natural or
cultural history, outdoor skills or education, or other topics concerned with public use,
enjoyment, or understanding of parks.

* Sec. 4. AS 41.21.026 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(f) In addition to the activities, services, and products for which the
department may charge or collect a fee under (a) of this section, the department may
sell informational, educational, or promotional merchandise. The department shall
price merchandise sold under this subsection in a manner that ensures a reasonable
monetary return to the state. To the extent practicable, the department shall sell only
merchandise produced or manufactured, including printing, screen printing, and
embroidery, in the United States that, subject to AS 36.30, is procured from either an
Alaska bidder or a person that employs prisoners under AS 33.30.191(b).