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Title Waive park fees for disabled vets
Dept. Affected Natural Resources
Appropriation Parks and Recreation Management
Allocation Parks Management
Sponsor Senator French
Requester Senate Resources
OMB Component Number 452

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

	Appropriation Required	Information					
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2012	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Personal Services	252.0		252.0	252.0	252.0	252.0	252.0
Travel							
Services	10.0						
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants							
Miscellaneous							
TOTAL OPERATING	262.0	0.0	252.0	252.0	252.0	252.0	252.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES							
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CHANGE IN REVENUES		(252.0)		(252.0)	(252.0)	(252.0)	(252.0)	(252.0)
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF	262.0		252.0	252.0	252.0	252.0	252.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other (please identify)							
TOTAL	262.0	0.0	252.0	252.0	252.0	252.0	252.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2011) cost _____

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version (if initial version, please note as such)

Not applicable, initial version

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Analysis

The current statute (AS 41.21.026(d)) provides an exemption to disabled veterans from paying fees for overnight camping in a state park facility. SB 13 would expand the exemption from state park fees for disabled veterans to include the following additional park fees:

- Rental of public use cabins
- Use of an RV dump station
- Admission or guided tours to a visitor center or historic site
- Use of an approved boat ramp
- Day use
- Attendance to educational programs

It would cost approximately \$10,000 in programming changes to the online cabin reservation system to implement the exemption from fees for disabled vets.

This legislation would result in a annual loss of revenue to the state of up to \$252,000 in park user fees. This fiscal note includes \$252,000 in general funds to replace the anticipated loss of revenue, to allow the same level of service in state parks to continue . If the lost fees are not replaced, the Division of Parks could lose approximately three park ranger positions.

It is likely some public use cabins could be vacant but not available to the public because they would be reserved by disabled vets but not used. There may be an increase in use and demand of park facilities as a result of this legislation.