

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 30()

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY

**Offered:
Referred:**

Sponsor(s): SENATOR BJORKMAN

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act making certain veterans eligible for a lifetime permit to access state park**
2 **campsites and the parking and restrooms of developed facilities without charge; and**
3 **providing for an effective date."**

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

5 * **Section 1.** AS 41.21.026(d) is amended to read:

6 (d) The department shall issue free of charge to a disabled veteran
7 [VETERANS] of this country a [AN ANNUAL] state park developed facility
8 parking and restroom and developed campsite permit that is valid for the life of
9 the permit holder. The permit shall allow the [A] disabled veteran to use a state park
10 developed campsite and the parking and restrooms of a developed facility for
11 personal recreation use without a charge or fee under (a)(2) or (10) of this section.
12 The department shall automatically renew a permit issued under this subsection
13 every five years upon receiving confirmation of the permit holder's mailing
14 address. While utilizing a developed campsite or the parking or restrooms of a

1 **developed facility** without charge under this subsection, the disabled veteran shall
 2 comply with all other statutes or regulations pertaining to the use of the developed
 3 campsite **or facility**. The department shall provide a form for use by a disabled veteran
 4 when applying for a permit under this section. Not later than February 1 of each year,
 5 the department shall prepare a report on the number of permits issued to disabled
 6 veterans under this subsection during the previous calendar year and notify the
 7 legislature that the report is available.

8 * **Sec. 2.** AS 41.21.026 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

9 (g) In this section, "disabled veteran" means a disabled person whose
 10 disability was incurred or aggravated

11 (1) in the line of duty in the military service of the United States; or

12 (2) while serving in the Alaska Territorial Guard.

13 * **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect January 1, 2026.