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Summary

Statutes

Repealed Statutes in CS

Fiscal Note/DNA

Narrative/Questions & Answers/Park Fee Schedule

Draft/CS

SUMMARY: HB 486 "An Act authorizing fees for the use of state park facilities; and providing for an effective date."

Purpose: To allow the State Park System to levy entry or user fees.

Sectional Analysis:

Section 1. AS 41.21 (Parks & Recreational Facilities) is amended by adding a new section "FEES FOR THE USE OF RECREATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES"

(a) DNR to establish and collect fees with consideration of

- 1) state operating cost of facility
- 2) similar fees charged by private sector
- 3) administration of fee collection program
- 4) public interest

(b) DNR to report to legislature (10 days of session) to report:

- 1) revenue generated
- 2) administering fees (cost)
- 3) public input on fees

Section 2. Immediate effective date

Workdraft Committee Substitute:

Section 1. Same as above

Section 2. AS 28.10.411(e) repealed (Statute attached)

Motor Vehicle registration/ providing for entrance into State Parks is currently provided for here.

- * (CSHB486) -Effects of Repealer - allows for all park users to pay fees
- * (HB486) Without Repealer - residents will not pay fees that are already paid with vehicle registration and non-residents will be charged fees.

*per Dick Bradley, Legal Services

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tial reduction of the continuing capability of the land or water to produce renewable resources at their natural or historic levels;

(13) "silviculture" means the art of producing and tending a forest, the application of the knowledge of silvics in the treatment of a forest, and the theory and practice of controlling and managing forest establishment, composition, and growth;

(14) "state forest" means an area which is retained in state ownership in order to

(A) provide a base for sustained yield management of renewable resources; and

(B) permit a variety of beneficial uses;

(15) "sustained yield" means the achievement and maintenance in perpetuity of a high level annual or regular periodic output of the various renewable resources of forest land and water without significant impairment of the productivity of the land and water, but does not require that timber be harvested in a non-declining yield basis over a rotation period; and

(16) "timber owner" means a person who owns timber on forest land or who has the rights to timber, but does not own the land itself. (§ 1 ch 108 SLA 1978; am § 88 ch 59 SLA 1982)

Revisor's notes. — In 1983 paragraphs (12) — (16) were reorganized to place the terms defined in alphabetical order. amendment substituted "forestry" for "forest, land, and water management" in paragraph (5).

Effect of amendments. — The 1982

NOTES TO DECISIONS

The "sustained yield principle" as used in Alas. Const. art. VIII, § 4 accords with the definition set forth in AS 38.04.910(10), and the added language in the definition of "sustained yield" in this section that it "does not require that timber be harvested in a nondeclining yield basis over a rotation period"; and it should be read as permitting timber cutting at a level that cannot be sustained over a forest rotation period only in unusual circumstances. Southeast Alaska Conservation Council, Inc. v. State, Sup. Ct. Op. No. 2662 (File No. 5855), P.2d (1983).

Chapter 20. Parks and Recreational Facilities.

[Renumbered as AS 41.21.010 — 41.21.990.]

Chapter 21. Parks and Recreational Facilities.

Article

1. Administration (§§ 41.21.010 — 41.21.040)
2. State Parks (§§ 41.21.110 — 41.21.167)
3. Alaska Marine Parks (§§ 41.21.300 — 41.21.306)
4. State Recreation Areas (§§ 41.21.410 — 41.21.490)
5. Wildlife Preserves (§§ 41.21.610 — 41.21.630)
6. Roadside Rests, Beaches (§§ 41.21.800 — 41.21.805)

- 7. Trails, Footpaths and Campsites (§§ 41.21.850 — 41.21.872)
- 8. Miscellaneous Provisions (§§ 41.21.900 — 41.21.918)
- 9. General Provisions (§§ 41.21.950 — 41.21.990)

Article 1. Administration.

Section	Section
10. Purpose	30. Disposition of funds
20. Duties of Department of Natural Resources	40. Division within department
25. Zoning of private land within state parks	

Collateral references. — 59 Am. Jur. 2d, Parks, Squares and Playgrounds, §§ 1 — 15; 63 Am. Jur. 2d, Public Lands, § 17. 81A C.J.S., States, §§ 138, 145 — 150. Statutes relating to establishment or administration of parks as encroachment on right of local self-government, 88 ALR 228.

Sec. 41.21.010. Purpose. It is the purpose of AS 41.21.010 — 41.21.040 to foster the growth and development of a system of parks and recreational facilities and opportunities in the state, for the general health, welfare, education, and enjoyment of its citizens and for the attraction of visitors to the state. (§ 1 ch 158 SLA 1959)

Revisor's notes. — Formerly AS 41.20.010. Renumbered in 1983.

Sec. 41.21.020. Duties of Department of Natural Resources. The Department of Natural Resources shall

- (1) develop a continuing plan for the conservation and maximum use in the public interest of the scenic, historic, archaeological, scientific, biological, and recreational resources of the state;
- (2) plan for and develop a system of state parks and recreational facilities, to be established as the legislature authorizes and directs;
- (3) acquire by gift, purchase, or transfer from state or federal agencies, or from individuals, corporations, partnerships or associations, land necessary, suitable and proper for roadside, picnic, recreational or park purposes;
- (4) control, develop and maintain state parks and recreational areas;
- (5) provide for the acquisition, care, control, supervision, improvement, development, extension and maintenance of public recreational land, and make necessary arrangements, contracts or commitments for the improvement and development of land acquired under AS 41.21.010 — 41.21.040;
- (6) adopt, in accordance with this section and the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), regulation governing the use and

designating incompatible uses within the boundaries of state park and recreational areas to protect the property and to preserve the peace;

(7) cooperate with the United States and its agencies and local subdivisions of the state to secure the effective supervision, improvement, development, extension, and maintenance of state parks, state monuments, state historical areas, and state recreational areas, and secure agreements or contracts for the purpose of AS 41.21.010 — 41.21.040;

(8) encourage the organization of state public park and recreational activities in the local political subdivisions of the state;

(9) provide for consulting service designed to develop local park and recreation facilities and programs;

(10) provide clearing-house services for other state agencies concerned with park and recreation matters; and

(11) perform other duties as are prescribed by executive order or by law;

(12) maintain memorials to Alaska veterans located in state parks;

(13) adopt, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), regulations governing the use of the Chena River State Recreation Area and designating incompatible uses within the boundaries of the Chena River State Recreation Area in accordance with AS 41.21.490. (§ 2 ch 158 SLA 1959; am § 1 ch 233 SLA 1970; am § 3 ch 30 SLA 1981; am §§ 1, 2 ch 78 SLA 1981)

Revisor's notes. — Formerly AS 41.20.020. Renumbered in 1983.

The present second sentence of AS 41.21.490 was originally enacted as part of (13) of this section and was transferred, with appropriate minor word changes in (13) of this section in 1981. Two paragraphs (12) were added by the 1981 amendments. The paragraph added by the second amendment was renumbered as (13).

Cross references. — For power of the department of military affairs to construct

memorials to veterans, see AS 44.35.030.

Effect of amendments. — The first 1981 amendment added paragraph (12).

The second 1981 amendment made minor word changes in paragraph (6) and added paragraph (13).

Collateral references. — Grant of licenses or special privileges in parks, 18 ALR 1263; 63 ALR 484; 144 ALR 486.

Use to which park property may be devoted; power of legislature or state officers, 18 ALR 1266; 63 ALR 484; 144 ALR 486.

Sec. 41.21.025. Zoning of private land within state parks. (a) The department may adopt, under the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), zoning regulations governing private property within the boundaries of state parks established under this chapter.

(b) Land patented to or under interim conveyance to a regional or village native corporation under 43 U.S.C. 1601-1628 (P.L. 92-203, Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act) which falls within a state park boundary is subject to the zoning regulations provided for under (a) of this section only if the affected regional or village native corporation consents to or fails to reject the zoning regulations within 60 days from the date they are submitted to the effected corporation.

title fee required under § 441 of this chapter, the department shall issue a new certificate of title. (§ 7 ch 178 SLA 1978)

Article 5. Fees and Charges.

Section	Section
411. Registration fees levied	431. Annual motor vehicle registration tax
421. Registration fee rates	441. Schedule of other fees and charges

Sec. 28.10.411. Registration fees levied. (a) For every year during any part of which a vehicle is subject to registration under this chapter, a registration fee shall be paid to the department at the time of original registration and at each annual renewal of registration after that time.

(b) Motor carrier and bus transportation fees paid on vehicles subject to the Alaska Motor Freight Carrier Act (AS 42.10) and the Alaska Bus Act (AS 42.15) shall be paid to the department at the same time the registration fee is paid.

(c) A resident 65 years of age or older is entitled to an exemption from tax under this section for one motor vehicle subject to registration. No exemption may be granted except upon written application for the exemption on a form prescribed by the department.

(d) The Department of Community and Regional Affairs shall pay to the borough and to the city in which a person who is granted an exemption under (c) of this section resides an amount equal to the tax levied under § 431(b) of this chapter regardless of whether the borough or city is eligible for the tax levied under that section.

Repeal

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the fees paid for registering a vehicle under § 421(b)(1), (2), (5), (6) or (d) of this chapter shall include all fees required for entry into and use of a state park or campground. (§ 7 ch 178 SLA 1978)

Sec. 28.10.421. Registration fee rates. (a) Unless otherwise provided by law, the fees prescribed in this section shall be paid to the department at the times provided under §§ 101—111 of this chapter.

(b) The annual registration fees under this subsection are imposed within the following classifications for:

- (1) a passenger vehicle or motor home not used or maintained for the transportation of persons or property for hire or for other commercial use \$30;
- (2) a pick-up truck or a van not exceeding 6,000 pounds unladen weight and not used or maintained for the transportation of persons or property for hire or for other commercial use \$35;
- (3) a taxicab \$65;
- (4) a motor bus with a seating capacity for 20 or more persons and used exclusively for commercial purposes in the transporting of visitors or tourists \$80;
- (5) a motorcycle or a motor-driven cycle \$15;

(6) a two- or four-wheeled trailer not used or maintained for the transportation of persons or property for hire or for other commercial use, including, but not limited to, a boat trailer, baggage trailer, box trailer, utility trailer or house trailer \$ 5.

(c) The annual registration fees under this subsection are imposed and are based upon the actual unladen weight as established by the manufacturer's advertised weight or upon the actual weight which the owner shall furnish, subject to the approval of the commissioner or his representative, for a vehicle, including a motor vehicle pulling a trailer or semi-trailer, used or maintained for the transportation of passengers for hire, excepting taxicabs and buses under (b) of this section, or for the transportation of property for hire or for other commercial use, including a commercial vehicle such as a trailer, semi-trailer, truck, wrecker, tow car, hearse, ambulance, and tractor, as follows:

- (1) up to and including 5,000 pounds \$45;
- (2) more than 5,000 pounds to and including 12,000 pounds . . \$80;
- (3) more than 12,000 pounds to and including 18,000 pounds . \$150;
- (4) more than 18,000 pounds \$215.

(d) The special registration fees under this subsection are imposed annually, unless otherwise specified, for:

- (1) an historic vehicle (one time only upon initial registration under § 181 of this chapter) \$10;
- (2) special request plates \$20;
- plus the fee required for that vehicle under (b)(1) or (2) of this section;
- (3) a vehicle owned by a disabled veteran or other handicapped person, and registered under § 181 of this chapter or a resident 65 years of age or older who complies with § 411(c) of this chapter none;
- (4) a vehicle owned by the state none;
- (5) a vehicle owned by an elected state official the fee required for that vehicle under (b) of this section;
- (6) a vehicle owned by a consular officer, unless waived under § 181 of this chapter \$30;
- (7) a vehicle owned by a rancher, farmer, or dairyman and registered under § 181 of this chapter \$30;
- (8) a snowmobile or off-highway vehicle \$ 5;
- (9) an amateur mobile radio station vehicle,
 - (A) with a tranceiver capable of less than 5-band operation the fee required for that vehicle under (b) or (c) of this section;
 - (B) in recognition of his service to the public: a mobile amateur radio station owned by an amateur with general class or higher license, provided the station must be satisfactorily proved capable of operating on at least five bands between 160 through 10 meters, must have an antenna, and must have a power supply and wiring as a permanent part of the vehicle; the transmitting unit may be removed from the car for service or dry storage none for a mobile amateur radio station vehicle included in b(1) or (2) of this section;

STATE OF ALASKA 1984 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date: 2/3/84

REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 486
Title: State Park Facility Fees

FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected: Natural Resources
Program Category Affected: NRM&EC

Sponsor: Bettisworth
Requestor:
Date of Request: 2/2/84

BRU, Program or Subprogram(s) Affected:
Parks, Park Management/Operations

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89
OPERATING						
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FULL-TIME						
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TEMPORARY						

SOURCE OF FUNDS TO OFFSET FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL:

ANALYSIS: Attach a separate page for analysis

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Fees in Alaska State Parks

How long have fees for recreation been charged?

Of the 50 state park systems in the United States, Alaska stands alone in not levying any entry or user fees for recreational activities. Within Alaska, the U.S. Forest Service, National Park Service, Fish & Wildlife Service, the Bureau of Land Management, Municipal Campgrounds and (obviously) private campgrounds have fees. Alaska State Parks' 3,000 campsites are free.

At the federal level, systematic fee collection in the National Park System was instituted by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Years later, in 1951, the U.S. Congress passed legislation requiring that facilities providing "service, benefit or privilege should be self-sustaining to the full extent possible" (65 STAT. 290). In 1964 the Congress passed legislation specifically calling for recreation user fees as part of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act. Since 1964 federal acts dealing with user fees have been constantly updated. The federal effort clearly targets recapturing a portion of park and recreation area operation and maintenance costs nationwide.

Has Alaska State Parks ever charged user fees for recreation?

Yes. Through the Alaska Administrative Code 11 AAC 12.310 fees were authorized. The Division of Parks utilized an annual \$10.00 entrance fee. Individuals were given a decal that could be affixed to a vehicle allowing access for the entire year.

When was the fee stopped?

The fee was stopped by the passage of a somewhat obscure piece of legislation in a body of law dealing primarily with motor vehicles in 1978, AS 28.10.411(d).

Why should we charge fees again?

Times have changed. In 1978 Alaska was in the beginning of a period of record high government spending. Today the tables are turned. Revenue is tight and it will continue to decline.

How do people react to user fees and will they pay?

Surprisingly more than half of campground users will normally pay without hesitation. In British Columbia up to 80% compliance has been recorded. With limited staff contact they experienced 96% compliance from users.

Even closer to home, here in Alaska, the U.S. Forest Service charges campground fees of \$5.00 per night. Their program gets 77% user compliance and up to 92% user compliance when campground hosts are used.

What method would Alaska State Parks use to charge fees and is it really worth it?

Research tells us that "iron rangers" appear to be the most practical method. The iron ranger is essentially a self-registration station that is virtually vandal proof. Staff time is very limited, installation is cheap, maintenance is minimal and user compliance elsewhere with this system is good to excellent. By using Campground Hosts (Volunteers in Parks) to contact campers, we expect to increase user compliance and understanding of the fee system.

Exactly what kind of fees would be charged?

Only overnight camping fees and a tour fee for the House of Wickersham. People who overnight in parks utilize the full range of facilities provided and logically should pay to help defray the costs of operating and maintaining the campgrounds. The House of Wickersham, a non-profit foundation, is envisioned which would support its existence through tour fees.

How much revenue do other states generate and what could Alaska expect to earn?

The more heavily populated states like California and Michigan collect \$18,000,000 and \$5,000,000 annually. Over 15 other states earn over \$1,000,000 and 33 states generate over \$500,000 each year. Preliminary analysis here allows us to predict first year revenues of \$300,000. Usually revenue goes up after the first year.

Do we expect any other benefits from user fee collection?

Yes, research confirms that vandalism and other depreciative behavior decline noticeably in areas where user fees are charged. This saves money and allows existing operations money to improve, rather than repair facilities.

Exactly how much will our campers pay?

Ten, six and three dollars per night, per campsite. Rates will be structured with higher fees for campgrounds with the most amenities/services. Most of the small, remote and rustic vehicle campgrounds will remain free.

What do Alaska's private campground operators think of the idea?

Each operator we have contacted favors the idea. Private operators have long felt free state campgrounds were unfair competition.

Facility	rate	x (%mean occupancy x facility capacity)	x number days open	x compliance rate	= annual revenue \$	
DISTRICT						
Chugach A	10	80	30	150	85%	36,720
Chugach B	6	70%	25	120	55%	6,930
Chugach C	3	50%	17	90	50%	1,148
Southeast B	6	50%	64	120	70%	16,128
Southeast C	3	30%	13	120	50%	702
Interior A	10	80%	25	90	85%	15,300
Interior B	6	60%	161	90	70%	36,514
Interior C	3	60%	136	90	60%	13,219

STATE PARK FEE
SCHEDULE

A	\$10.00	B	\$6.00	C	\$3.00	D	FREE	H	TBA
1. Flush toilets		1. Vaulted latrines		1. Vaulted or pit latrines		1. Vaulted or pit latrines or no latrines.		Fees for these areas may be charged if demand for facility is high enough and if facility has a finished product to offer	
2. Running water		2. Clearly defined spaces		2. Spaces not clearly defined.		2. Dirt roads and pads.		I.e. Independence Mine SHP	
3. Individual spaces with separation.		3. Recent major maintenance and upgrading.		3. Roads hard packed dirt or sand.		3. Facilities minimum or lacking.		Yes	
4. Campground Host on duty - Ranger/maintenance staff. Daily on grounds.		4. Hand pump or running water.		4. With or without drinking water.		4. May be no drinking water.		Fort Abercrombie SHP - No for historic portion.	
5. Close to or within major population center.		5. Road surfaced with gravel.		5. No host - Rangers/Maintenance. Staff intermittently.		5. Sporadic or infrequent maintenance and enforcement.			
6. Proximity to good roads.		6. Single entrance.		6. May be remote from hard surfaced roads or major highways.		6. Multiple entrances.			
7. May have dump station.		7. Rangers/maintenance Staff/Volunteer Host frequently on grounds.				7. Fewer than 6 over night spaces.			
8. Single entrance.						8. More than 40 miles from maintenance station.			

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FORUM

SELF REGISTRATION IN PARKS A SUCCESS

Will B.C. campers voluntarily register and pay for campground use when there isn't an official there to ask for their money? The answer is an overwhelming "yes", as the Parks and Outdoor Recreation Division showed this year in 52 provincial parks.

Two years ago, the division launched a pilot program of self-registration fee collections in seven parks, then increased it to 11 parks in 1979 and 52 this year. The objective was to monitor both the response of campers and the effectiveness from an operational standpoint. It has proven to be an entirely valid system for both users and operators.

B.C. was the first Canadian province to use the self-registration system, but credit for its organization goes to the U.S. Forest Service, which pioneered it in the early 1970's.

The principle behind self-registration is simple: the responsibility for registering and paying camping fees falls to the camper rather than park staff. The advantage to campers is obvious: convenience. They can now pay their fee when they arrive instead of waiting for a collector to come around at a specified time. They can also pay in advance for as many nights as they wish. Assuming they do (and statistics now show this to be an entirely valid assumption), fee collectors are now free to work in other areas of park operations to improve service to the public.

The implementation of the system is also fairly simple: as campers enter the campground, a sign advises them that attendants do not collect fees. Campers are asked to select a site, then go to the self-registration station and pay. At these fee stations, strategically located in the campground, envelopes are provided, the camper fills in the registration information, puts the fee in the envelope, seals it, and deposits it in a vault, first tearing off the receipt stub. During the evening, park staff check each vault to ensure payment has been received.

During the two year period, the average voluntary compliance rate was over 80% and, when additional information, instruc-

tions, or reminders were given, the average was a stunning 96%! This rate is as high as that achieved with traditional methods of fee collection. Based on B.C.'s experimental program, Yoho National Park started a similar system in the summer of 1979. Their volunteer compliance averaged 92% — another indication of the system's viability and people's basic honesty!

To get public reaction to the new system, the division monitored some of the 20,000 camping parties who participated in the 1978 pilot program. At that time, users did not show any strong objections to the system. They were undecided as to whether or not there was a decrease in contact with staff and it was generally felt there were no problems with change, foreign currency (American) or the instructions. They did, however, remark on the appearance of the fee station, because it did not blend with park environment. This response was welcomed because the fee stations and vaults were designed to be easily identified.

As with most new concepts, improvements are an integral part of their success. The self-registration system was no exception. Several recommendations were made by field staff and improvements and modifications were made.



Ron Kerr of the Parks and Outdoor Recreation Division Operations Branch demonstrates the self-registration fee system. Ron is filling out the permit envelope following the instructions on the sign. In the foreground is the vault where Ron will deposit the permit envelope and camping fee.

LOOK FOR CHANGES IN FORUM



The upcoming issues of the *Forum* newsletter will reflect some of the changes suggested by many of you in completing the recent questionnaire. The answers to the questionnaires are being tabulated and a summary will be printed in the next

issue. As you have no doubt noticed, *Forum* already looks different! Keeping in mind your comments, other changes will be incorporated into future issues, thereby hopefully making *Forum* the most informative and well-read newsletter put out by any ministry.

Your on-going comments are welcome at any time. Many thanks to all of you who took the time to complete the questionnaire.

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MEMORANDUM

To: House Resource Committee Members
From: Committee Staff
Date: February 22, 1984
Re: CSHB 486

The only difference between this new CS and the original CS can be found on lines 13 and 14.

Initially the language had been more of a general nature in that fees could be levied for the use of recreational and educational facilities.

With the new language contained in the latest CS, fees can only be charged for the use of developed campsites, guided tours of historical sites, and public use cabins.

The original fiscal note has not been altered by the change in language.

These changes have been made with the concurrence of both the sponsor and the Director of the Division of Parks.