

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 150

Introduced by Assembly Member Olsen
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Achadjian, Chávez, and Gorell)
(Coauthor: Senator Cannella)

January 18, 2013

An act to add Section 5011.6 to the Public Resources Code, relating to state parks.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 150, as introduced, Olsen. State parks: armed services: fee waiver.

Existing law requires certain veterans of a war in which the United States is or has been engaged, upon application and presentation to the Department of Parks and Recreation of certain proof, such as proof of a disability or of being held captive as a prisoner of war, to be issued a pass entitling the bearer to use all facilities, including boat launching facilities, in units of the state park system.

This bill would require any veteran of such a war who was honorably discharged, or a current active duty soldier for the United States Armed Forces, upon application, to be issued a pass entitling the bearer of the pass to the use of any unit of the state park system on Memorial Day and Veterans Day if certain conditions are met, including that proper proof is supplied. If the veteran or active duty soldier enters the park in a vehicle, the bill would require all occupants in the vehicle to have their entrance fee waived.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 5011.6 is added to the Public Resources
- 2 Code, to read:
- 3 5011.6. (a) Notwithstanding Section 5011.5, a veteran of a
- 4 war in which the United States has been, or may be, engaged who
- 5 was honorably discharged from service, or a current active duty
- 6 soldier for the United States Armed Forces, upon application, shall
- 7 be issued a pass entitling the bearer to the use of any unit of the
- 8 state park system on Memorial Day and Veterans Day if both of
- 9 the following conditions are met:
- 10 (1) The veteran of war can provide proof of honorable discharge
- 11 or the active duty soldier can provide current military identification.
- 12 (2) The veteran of war or the active duty soldier resides in
- 13 California.
- 14 (b) If the bearer of the pass issued pursuant to subdivision (a)
- 15 enters the state park in a vehicle, all occupants of the vehicle shall
- 16 have their entrance fee waived.

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