

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0148

Waiver of state park fees-undeveloped areas.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Krone, Blake, Northrup and Petroff and Senator(s) Coe

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to state parks; authorizing the director of
2 the department of state parks and cultural resources to
3 waive fees for undeveloped areas of state parks as
4 specified; providing for rulemaking; and providing for an
5 effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 36-4-121(a) by creating a new
10 paragraph (xvii) is amended to read:

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12 **36-4-121. Permits to use state parks, recreation**
13 **areas and historic sites.**

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1 (a) The department of state parks and cultural
2 resources shall offer for sale permits that allow use of
3 the state parks, recreation areas, archeological sites and
4 historic sites. Daily use permits shall be required at
5 Glendo, Guernsey, Curt Gowdy, Edness Kimball Wilkins,
6 Buffalo Bill, Boysen, Seminoe and Keyhole state parks and
7 Fort Bridger, South Pass City, Trail End, Fort Fetterman
8 and Fort Phil Kearney state historic sites, and Hawk
9 Springs state recreation area. The department may establish
10 voluntary pay stations at Bear River and Hot Springs state
11 parks to allow users of those parks to make voluntary
12 contributions for the use of the state parks. Persons who
13 enter or use Bear River or Hot Springs state park without
14 paying daily use fees shall not be subject to the penalties
15 provided for in subsection (j) of this section. Overnight
16 camping permits shall be required at Boysen, Buffalo Bill,
17 Curt Gowdy, Glendo, Guernsey, Keyhole, Seminoe and Sinks
18 Canyon state parks, Connor Battlefield state historic site,
19 Medicine Lodge state archeological site and Hawk Springs
20 state recreation area by the department during the entire
21 calendar year. Except for the lifetime permit issued
22 without cost pursuant to subsection (n) of this section,

1 the cost of the permits authorized under this section shall
2 be:

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4 (xvii) The director of the department may, with
5 the approval of the parks and cultural resources
6 commission, waive any fee required under this subsection to
7 a person for access to undeveloped areas of state parks.
8 The department shall specify by rule and regulation the
9 locations, boundaries and access routes to undeveloped
10 areas exempt from the permit requirements of this
11 paragraph. For purposes of this paragraph, "undeveloped"
12 means areas of a state park without concessions, campsites,
13 boat clubs or ramps or other added amenities or services.

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15 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2015.

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