

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 153

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to state parks; amending 74 O.S.  
8 2011, Section 2220, which relates to rates for  
9 services; removing requirement for certain fee  
10 allocation; and providing an effective date.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 2220, is  
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 2220. A. The Commission may prescribe and collect  
15 reasonable rates and fees pursuant to the provisions of this section  
16 for the services, facilities and commodities rendered by all  
17 property of the Commission.

18 1. The Commission may establish maximum rates for rooms at the  
19 state lodges and cabins, for recreational activities, for  
20 recreational vehicles and camping sites, and for community  
21 facilities under control of the Commission. The method whereby the  
22 rates are determined shall be promulgated pursuant to Article I of  
23 the Administrative Procedures Act. At least twenty (20) days prior  
24 to the adoption or approval of any rate changes by the Commission,

1 the Department shall submit a copy of the proposed rates, for  
2 informational purposes, to the Governor, Speaker of the House of  
3 Representatives and President Pro Tempore of the Senate. Any change  
4 in the rates during the year when the Legislature is not in session  
5 shall be reported in writing to the Governor, Speaker of the House  
6 of Representatives and President Pro Tempore of the Senate within  
7 five (5) business days of such Commission action.

8 2. The Commission may establish maximum charges for all  
9 activities at state-owned golf courses. The charges may vary among  
10 the different golf courses according to the practices of the golf  
11 industry. The method whereby the maximum charges are determined  
12 shall be in accordance with rules promulgated pursuant to Article I  
13 of the Administrative Procedures Act. At least twenty (20) days  
14 prior to the adoption or approval of any rate changes by the  
15 Commission, the Department shall submit a copy of such proposed  
16 charges, for informational purposes, to the Governor, Speaker of the  
17 House of Representatives and President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

18 3. The Commission may establish entrance or day-use charges for  
19 the state park system. All monies collected from entrance or day-  
20 use charges shall be used ~~for the capital improvements~~ at the state  
21 parks where the charges were collected. The Commission may  
22 establish an annual pass for visitors. The method whereby the  
23 maximum charges are determined, sold, and collected shall be in  
24 accordance with rules promulgated pursuant to Article I of the

Administrative Procedures Act. At least twenty (20) days prior to the adoption or approval of any rate changes by the Commission, the Department shall submit a copy of such proposed charges, for informational purposes, to the Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives and President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

4. Fees shall be promulgated pursuant to Article I of the Administrative Procedures Act.

5. Fees may reflect the seasonal usage of the parks and facilities and for promotional purposes and goals.

B. All fees, licenses and other charges shall be posted in a convenient place in each park. Every person using any of the facilities in a park shall be charged the same fees, licenses and every other charge except:

1. Residents of this state sixty-two (62) years of age and over and their spouses shall not be charged any admission fees for entrance into any state-owned and -operated park. The Commission may promulgate rules establishing different fees for residents and nonresidents sixty-two (62) years of age and over. Identification may be established by presentation of proof of age, residency, a state driver license, a state license for identification only, birth certificate or any other form of identification authorized by the Commission;

2. Individuals who have been certified as totally disabled under state or federal law and their spouses shall be entitled to a

1 fifty percent (50%) reduction of fees which apply to recreational  
2 use facilities;

3 3. Children's groups, volunteer groups as specified by the  
4 Commission, or governmental entities that provide beneficial  
5 services at the facility for which the fee may be reduced or waived;  
6 and

7 4. Special discount rates as authorized in this section may be  
8 waived for individuals who are members of a group being provided a  
9 special group rate as allowed by law.

10 C. The failure to collect such fees, licenses and other charges  
11 shall subject an employee of the Commission to a fine of Twenty-five  
12 Dollars (\$25.00) for each and every violation.

13 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

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