

**BILL SUMMARY**  
1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 56<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>SB 153</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>ENGR</b>
<b>Request Number:</b>	
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Rep. McDaniel</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>OK Tourism &amp; Recreation: FY 18: \$0 negative impact to the state or legislative dollars.</b>

**Research Analysis**

SB 153 removes the requirement that the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Commission use monies collected from entrance or day-use charges for capital improvements.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

The measure will provide the OK Tourism & Recreation Department (OTRD) with flexibility in the use of revenue generated by entrance or day use fees at state parks to cover general operating expenses at the parks where the fees are collected. Current law limits use of these funds to capital improvements. Total annual collections for entrance and day use fees are approximately \$200,000. State Parks where entrance or day-use fees are charged include:

- Natural Falls (the only park with an entrance fee - \$5 per vehicle)
- Lake Murray (Tipp's Point, Cedar Cove & Elephant Rock areas - \$5)
- Lake Thunderbird (Little Axe area - \$5)
- Lake Tenkiller (Fisherman's Point area - \$5)

These fees are charged per vehicle (carrying up to 6 passengers). Large vans carrying more than 6 passengers are charged two day use fees and buses are charged \$15. These fees are applied toward overnight camping fees. Day use fees are waived for honorably discharged veterans and Oklahoma senior citizens over the age of 62.

OTRD receives funding dedicated for Capital Improvements through an apportionment of sales and use taxes with an annual cap of \$10.36 million.

The measure, as written has \$0 negative fiscal impact to the state or legislative dollars.

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**Other Considerations**

None.

