## HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 388

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
by amending section 74117 (MCL 324.74117), as amended by 2006 PA
477.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 74117. (1) The department may require park permits and
- 2 collect park permit fees for entry into a state park or portion of
- 3 a state park posted in the manner prescribed by this part. The
- 4 department may waive the permit requirement for department-
- 5 sponsored events or other circumstances as determined by the
- 6 director or the director's designee. The department shall prepare
- 7 and distribute park permits to implement this part.
- 8 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, an annual

- 1 park permit shall be issued and shall authorize the entry of the
- 2 motor vehicle to which it is originally attached within the
- 3 confines of any state park or recreation area during the calendar
- 4 year for which it is issued. The fee for the annual park permit is
- **5** as follows:
- 6 (a) Until January BEFORE APRIL 1, 2010, for the owner of a
- 7 resident motor vehicle, \$24.00, except as follows:
- 8 (i) The fee for the owner of a resident motor vehicle who is 65
- 9 years of age or older is \$6.00.
- (ii) The fee for the owner of a resident motor vehicle who, at
- 11 the time of purchase, is in possession of a food stamp card and
- 12 personal identification is \$18.00.
- 13 (b) Until January BEFORE APRIL 1, 2010, for the owner of a
- 14 nonresident motor vehicle, \$29.00.
- 15 (3) A daily permit, valid for 1 day only, shall authorize the
- 16 entry of the motor vehicle to which it is originally attached
- 17 within the confines of a state park during the day for which it is
- 18 issued. The fee for a daily permit is as follows:
- 19 (a) Until January BEFORE APRIL 1, 2010, for the owner of a
- 20 resident motor vehicle, \$6.00.
- 21 (b) Until January BEFORE APRIL 1, 2010, for the owner of a
- 22 nonresident motor vehicle, \$8.00.
- 23 (4) A person who has obtained an annual motor vehicle permit
- 24 under this section for a recreational vehicle to be used as a
- 25 stationary primary camping shelter camped legally in and not moved
- 26 from a state park campground during the period of the camping stay
- 27 may obtain a duplicate motor vehicle permit for a towed second

- 1 motor vehicle present at the time of entry for a fee of \$6.00
- 2 effective for the duration of THE camping stay.
- 3 (5) The department shall provide to the standing committees in
- 4 the senate and house of representatives along with the appropriate
- 5 budget subcommittees that primarily consider issues pertaining to
- 6 natural resources an annual report that details the revenue stream
- 7 generated by the fee structure under this section. This report
- 8 shall be presented not later than December 31 each year and shall
- 9 include information on the impact of the revenue stream on the
- 10 Michigan state parks endowment fund created in section 35a of
- 11 article IX of the state constitution of 1963 and provided for in
- 12 section 74119, the use of the general fund for funding the state
- 13 park system, and other relevant issues that impact funding needs
- 14 for the state park system.
- 15 (6) This part applies only to the entry of motor vehicles into
- 16 the state parks and to the park permits authorized in this part and
- 17 does not obviate the necessity of obtaining additional permits for
- 18 special services or park privileges as previously or subsequently
- 19 may be required by law or by rules promulgated by the department.
- 20 The department shall designate each person in the state authorized
- 21 to sell park permits and shall require as a condition of the
- 22 designation that OF A PERSON OTHER THAN A DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE THAT
- 23 THE PERSON FURNISH a surety bond be furnished in an amount, and in
- 24 a form, and with the A surety as THAT is acceptable to the
- 25 department. After being designated by the department, a person may
- 26 issue park permits in accordance with this part.
- 27 (7) Commercial motor coaches or vans with a capacity of more

- 1 than 12 passengers are not eligible to enter a state park with an
- 2 annual park permit. Until January BEFORE APRIL 1, 2010, the daily
- 3 fee to allow commercial motor coaches or vans with a capacity of
- 4 over 12 passengers daily entry into a state park is \$15.00.
- 5 (8) The department may add to the cost of a reservation or a
- 6 motor vehicle entrance or camping fee the charges that the state
- 7 incurs because of the use of a credit card.
- 8 (9) If a person's annual park permit is lost or destroyed, the
- 9 department shall provide that person with a replacement park permit
- 10 free of charge. The department may require a person requesting a
- 11 replacement park permit to supply sufficient evidence of the loss
- 12 or destruction of the original park permit.
- 13 (10) It is the intent of the legislature that if, on September
- 14 30 of any state fiscal year, the amount of money in the
- 15 countercyclical budget and economic stabilization fund created in
- 16 section 351 of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL
- 17 18.1351, exceeds \$250,000,000.00, then general fund/general purpose
- 18 support for state parks operations for the following state fiscal
- 19 year shall be equal to or exceed 50% of the revenues generated by
- 20 motor vehicle entrance fees under this section during the previous
- 21 state fiscal year.
- 22 (10) (11) As used in this section, "resident motor vehicle"
- 23 means a vehicle that is registered as a motor vehicle in this
- 24 state.