

**CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 30(RES)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

**BY THE SENATE RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**Offered: 2/19/25**

**Referred: Finance**

**Sponsor(s): SENATOR BJORKMAN**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1   **"An Act making certain veterans eligible for a lifetime permit to access state park**  
2   **campsites and the parking and restrooms of developed facilities without charge; and**  
3   **providing for an effective date."**

4   **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

5    \* **Section 1.** AS 41.21.026(d) is amended to read:

6           (d) The department shall issue free of charge to a disabled veteran  
7           [VETERANS] of this country a [AN ANNUAL] state park **developed facility**  
8           **parking and restroom and** developed campsite permit **that is valid for the life of**  
9           **the permit holder**. The permit shall allow the [A] disabled veteran to use a state park  
10          developed campsite **and the parking and restrooms of a developed facility** for  
11          personal recreation use without a charge or fee under (a)(2) **or (10)** of this section.  
12          **The department shall automatically renew a permit issued under this subsection**  
13          **every five years upon receiving confirmation of the permit holder's mailing**  
14          **address**. While utilizing a developed campsite **or the parking or restrooms of a**

1        **developed facility** without charge under this subsection, the disabled veteran shall  
2        comply with all other statutes or regulations pertaining to the use of the developed  
3        campsite **or facility**. The department shall provide a form for use by a disabled veteran  
4        when applying for a permit under this section. Not later than February 1 of each year,  
5        the department shall prepare a report on the number of permits issued to disabled  
6        veterans under this subsection during the previous calendar year and notify the  
7        legislature that the report is available.

8        \* **Sec. 2.** AS 41.21.026 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

9                (g) In this section, "disabled veteran" means a disabled person whose  
10              disability was incurred or aggravated

11                      (1) in the line of duty in the military service of the United States; or

12                      (2) while serving in the Alaska Territorial Guard.

13        \* **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect January 1, 2026.