

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 1681

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to state government; amending 74 O.S.  
8 2011, Section 2220, as amended by Section 1, Chapter  
9 243, O.S.L. 2017 (74 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 2220),  
10 which relates to the Oklahoma Tourism, Parks and  
11 Recreation Enhancement Act; establishing an annual  
12 state park pass; and providing an effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 2220, as  
15 amended by Section 1, Chapter 243, O.S.L. 2017 (74 O.S. Supp. 2020,  
16 Section 2220), is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 2220. A. Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation  
18 Commission may prescribe and collect reasonable rates and fees  
19 pursuant to the provisions of this section for the services,  
20 facilities and commodities rendered by all property of the  
21 Commission.

22 1. The Commission may establish maximum rates for rooms at the  
23 state lodges and cabins, for recreational activities, for  
24 recreational vehicles and camping sites, and for community

1 facilities under control of the Commission. The method whereby the  
2 rates are determined shall be promulgated pursuant to Article I of  
3 the Administrative Procedures Act. At least twenty (20) days prior  
4 to the adoption or approval of any rate changes by the Commission,  
5 the Department shall submit a copy of the proposed rates, for  
6 informational purposes, to the Governor, Speaker of the House of  
7 Representatives and President Pro Tempore of the Senate. Any change  
8 in the rates during the year when the Legislature is not in session  
9 shall be reported in writing to the Governor, Speaker of the House  
10 of Representatives and President Pro Tempore of the Senate within  
11 five (5) business days of such Commission action.

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

22 3. The Commission may establish entrance or day-use charges for  
23 the state park system. All monies collected from entrance or day-  
24 use charges shall be used at the state parks where the charges were

1 collected. The Commission shall establish an annual pass for  
2 individuals costing Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) which shall provide  
3 access to a single park for a calendar year. The Commission may  
4 establish ~~an annual pass, or~~ additional other varied passes as  
5 appropriate to that park, for visitors. The method whereby the  
6 maximum charges are determined, sold, and collected shall be in  
7 accordance with rules promulgated pursuant to Article I of the  
8 Administrative Procedures Act. At least twenty (20) days prior to  
9 the adoption or approval of any rate changes by the Commission, the  
10 Department shall submit a copy of such proposed charges, for  
11 informational purposes, to the Governor, Speaker of the House of  
12 Representatives and President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

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

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

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

21 1. Residents of this state sixty-two (62) years of age and over  
22 and their spouses shall not be charged any admission fees for  
23 entrance into any state-owned and -operated park. The Commission  
24 may promulgate rules establishing different fees for residents and

1 nonresidents sixty-two (62) years of age and over. Identification  
2 may be established by presentation of proof of age, residency, a  
3 state driver license, a state license for identification only, birth  
4 certificate or any other form of identification authorized by the  
5 Commission;

6 2. Individuals who have been certified as totally disabled  
7 under state or federal law and their spouses shall be entitled to a  
8 fifty percent (50%) reduction of fees which apply to recreational-  
9 use facilities;

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

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

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

20 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

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