THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY ARMANINI, CONKLIN, R. MACKENZIE, CIRESI, M. MACKENZIE, MENTZER, NEILSON, ZIMMERMAN, DEASY, GILLEN, N. NELSON AND WARNER, JUNE 12, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, JUNE 12, 2023

AN ACT

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13	Amending the act of June 28, 1995 (P.L.89, No.18), entitled "An act creating the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources consisting of certain functions of the Department of Environmental Resources and the Department of Community Affairs; renaming the Department of Environmental Resources as the Department of Environmental Protection; defining the role of the Environmental Quality Board in the Department of Environmental Protection; making changes to responsibilities of the State Conservation Commission and the Department of Agriculture; transferring certain powers and duties to the Department of Health; and repealing inconsistent acts," in Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, further providing for fees and charges.
14	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
15	hereby enacts as follows:
16	Section 1. Section 314 of the act of June 28, 1995 (P.L.89,
17	No.18), known as the Conservation and Natural Resources Act, is
18	amended to read:
19	Section 314. Fees and charges.
20	(a) ImpositionWhenever the department imposes fees or
21	charges for activities, admissions, uses or privileges,
22	including charges for concessions, at or relating to State

parks, such charges or fees shall be used solely for the 1 2 acquisition, maintenance, operation or administration of the 3 State park system and are hereby appropriated for such purposes. The department shall not adopt or impose any charges or fees for 4 parking or general admission to State parks unless the charges 5 were imposed prior to January 1, 1995. The department may 6 7 continue to impose and modify parking charges and fees 8 applicable to specific services or units within the State park system which were imposed prior to January 1, 1995, and may 9 10 impose charges or fees for admission to and for use of specific 11 services and facilities in State parks. The department shall 12 continue to exercise the powers previously vested in the 13 Environmental Quality Board regarding the imposition of fees and 14 charges for State parks and State forests. 15 (b) Discount.--Upon presenting proper identification as determined by the department, the department shall provide a 16 discount of 15% on all fees and charges for activities, 17 18 admissions, uses or privileges, including charges for_ 19 concessions, at or related to State parks to all of the 20 following: 21 (1) An active duty member of the United States Armed 22 Forces. 23 (2) A retired military member of the United States Armed 24 Forces. 25 (3) A veteran of the United States Armed Forces who is 26 100% service-related disabled as certified by the United

- 27 <u>States Department of Veterans Affairs.</u>
- 28 (4) An immediate family member of an individual listed
 29 under paragraph (1), (2) or (3).
- 30 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

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