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2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 538

November 24, 2015 - Introduced by Representatives SARGENT, JOHNSON, KREMER, GOYKE, BILLINGS, KITCHENS, BERCEAU, HORLACHER, MASON, WACHS, OHNSTAD, BROSTOFF, SINICKI, GENRICH, SUBECK and ZAMARRIPA, cosponsored by Senators MILLER, CARPENTER, C. LARSON, WIRCH and LASSA. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Sporting Heritage.

AUTHORS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 27.01 (9) (bn) (title); and *to create* 20.370 (1) (ed), 27.01 (6m)
2 and 27.01 (9) (bg) of the statutes; **relating to:** fee waivers for state park vehicle
3 admission receipts and distribution of state park activity guides to pupils
4 enrolled in grade 4 and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to waive the fee for an annual vehicle admission receipt (vehicle sticker) issued to the parent or guardian of a public or private school pupil enrolled in grade four. A vehicle sticker authorizes the operation of a vehicle in certain recreational areas and in state parks. The bill provides that a parent or guardian of a qualifying pupil may receive the waiver only once in his or her lifetime and DNR may issue a waiver only once for a household.

This bill also requires DNR to distribute to the principal of each public and private school in this state copies of an activity guide for state parks, forests, recreation areas, and trails. DNR must distribute enough copies of the guide to each school to enable each fourth grade pupil to receive a copy of the guide.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

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1 **SECTION 1.** 20.370 (1) (ed) of the statutes is created to read:

2 20.370 (1) (ed) *Parks - general program operations.* From the general fund, a
3 sum sufficient equal to the amount of the annual vehicle admission receipt fees
4 waived under s. 27.01 (9) (bg), for the operation of state parks.

5 **SECTION 2.** 27.01 (6m) of the statutes is created to read:

6 27.01 (6m) VISITOR ACTIVITY GUIDES FOR SCHOOLS. The department shall
7 distribute to the principal of each public and private school in this state copies of a
8 visitor activity guide for state parks, forests, recreation areas, and trails. The
9 department shall distribute a sufficient number of copies of the guide to enable each
10 public and private school principal to provide a copy of the guide to each pupil
11 enrolled in grade 4 in that school. The department shall distribute copies of the guide
12 under this subsection on or after September 1 and not later than the following
13 December 31 of each year.

14 **SECTION 3.** 27.01 (9) (bg) of the statutes is created to read:

15 27.01 (9) (bg) *Annual vehicle admission receipt fee waiver; school children.* 1.
16 Except as provided under subd. 2., the department shall waive the fee, including the
17 issuing fee, imposed under sub. (7) for an annual vehicle admission receipt for any
18 vehicle, except a motor bus, that has Wisconsin registration plates and that is owned
19 by a person who produces evidence that he or she is the parent or guardian of a public
20 or private school pupil who on January 1 of the year for which the vehicle admission
21 receipt is issued is enrolled in grade 4.

22 2. A parent or guardian of a pupil enrolled in grade 4 may receive only one fee
23 waiver under this paragraph in his or her lifetime. If a parent or guardian receives
24 a fee waiver under this paragraph, the department may not waive the fee under this
25 paragraph for any other member of the parent's or guardian's household.

