

HOUSE BILL NO. 662

INTRODUCED BY RICE, GRADY, O'KEEFE

IN THE HOUSE

FEBRUARY 11, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FISH & GAME.
FEBRUARY 13, 1989	FIRST READING.
FEBRUARY 15, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.
FEBRUARY 16, 1989	PRINTING REPORT.
FEBRUARY 18, 1989	ON MOTION, CONSIDERATION PASSED FOR THE DAY.
FEBRUARY 20, 1989	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
FEBRUARY 21, 1989	ENGROSSING REPORT.
	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 98; NOES, 0.
	TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.

IN THE SENATE

FEBRUARY 28, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS & INDUSTRY.
	FIRST READING.
MARCH 15, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.
MARCH 17, 1989	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.
MARCH 20, 1989	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 26; NOES, 22.
	RETURNED TO HOUSE.

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MARCH 21, 1989

RECEIVED FROM SENATE.

SENT TO ENROLLING.

REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

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 14 and to grant such concessions as it may--deem considers
 15 advisable, except as provided in subsections subsection (2)
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 17 department shall be deposited in the state treasury in a
 18 state special revenue fund to the credit of the department.

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 24 sites.--This--pass--is--valid--for--the--lifetime---of---the
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 2 department under subsection (1) are---waived must be
 3 discounted 50% for a person who is a resident of Montana not
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 8 existing authority to make rules on the subject of the
 9 provisions of [this act] is extended to the provisions of
 10 [this act].

-End-

STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for HB662, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

HB662 would revise the fees and conditions for senior citizen and disabled discounts for Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks state parks, recreation areas and fishing access sites.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. Actual on-site counts from Canyon Ferry and Region 4 fee logs are representative of statewide use trends which show that Golden Year pass use is 51% of the total overnight camping ticket sales.
2. There are 1,331 new lifetime Golden Passes and 950 new disabled permits issued statewide annually and it assumed that only this number of passholders actively participate in camping.
3. The annual camping permit will be eliminated by the Commission for the 1991 biennium.
4. The \$3 and \$5 overnight camping fees will continue for the 1991 biennium, with total sales of 32,771, approximately 79% of which will be \$5 per night and 21% of which will be \$3 per night fee areas.
5. Potential revenue from camping tickets for disabled persons is calculated using the same assumptions used for Golden Year passes.
6. A 4% accommodations tax will be collected at approximately \$2,121 each year.
7. There will be reductions of \$8,000 in program costs as a result of this legislation reducing administrative expenses at the eight headquarters offices and eliminating printing, consigning and accounting for Golden Year passes and disabled permits.

FISCAL IMPACT:Expenditures:

Dept. of FWP	Current	FY90 Proposed	Difference	Current	FY91 Proposed	Difference
	Law	Law		Law	Law	
Program Expenses	\$8,000	\$2,121	(\$5,879)	\$8,000	\$2,121	(\$5,879)
<u>Funding:</u>						
State Special Revenue	\$8,000	\$2,121	(\$5,879)	\$8,000	\$2,121	(\$5,879)
<u>Revenue:</u>						
State Special Golden Pass	\$1,331	\$ -0-	(\$1,331)	\$1,331	\$ -0-	(\$1,331)
Discount Camping Fees	-0-	54,347	54,347	-0-	54,347	54,347
Total	\$1,331	\$54,347	\$53,016	\$1,331	\$54,347	\$53,016

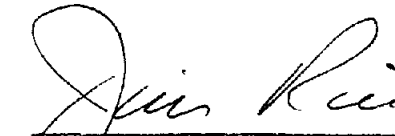
LONG-RANGE EFFECTS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

Trends indicate that annual applications for senior citizen and disabled discounts will continue to increase and, therefore, the proposed law revenue will also increase in future years.



DATE 2/18/89

RAY SHACKLEFORD, BUDGET DIRECTOR
OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING



DATE 2/15/89

JIM RICE, PRIMARY SPONSOR

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