2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 722


AN ACT to create 27.01 (7) (gm) 6. of the statutes; relating to: vehicle admission receipts issued to certain members of the military.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the Department of Natural Resources to charge a reduced admission fee to state parks and DNR recreational sites for out-of-state vehicles owned by certain members of the military.

Under current law, vehicles entering state parks or DNR recreational sites are required to display an annual or daily admission receipt. Admission fees are lower for vehicles that have Wisconsin registration plates than they are for vehicles that have registration plates from other states.

This bill requires DNR to charge the lower annual or daily admission fee for a vehicle that has a plate from another state if the vehicle is owned by a member of the U.S. armed forces who is stationed in this state or who is a member of a reserve unit located in this state or if the vehicle is owned by a member of the Wisconsin National Guard.

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:

SECTION 1. 27.01 (7) (gm) 6. of the statutes is created to read:
27.01 (7) (gm) 6. Instead of the fee under par. (g) 1. or 2. that is charged for an admission receipt for a vehicle that has registration plates from another state, the department shall charge a fee equal to the respective amount charged under par. (f) 1. and 2. if the person applying for the receipt is the owner of the vehicle and is a qualified member of the U.S. armed forces, a qualified member of a reserve unit of the U.S. armed forces, or a qualified member of the national guard. A qualified member of the armed forces is a person who exhibits proof that he or she is in active service in the U.S. armed forces or in forces incorporated in the U.S. armed forces and that he or she is stationed in this state. A qualified member of a reserve unit of the U.S. armed forces is a person who exhibits proof that he or she is a member of a reserve unit of the U.S. armed forces located in this state. A qualified member of the national guard is a person who exhibits proof that he or she is a member of the Wisconsin national guard.

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