

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. NORBER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

AN ACT to amend the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, in relation to access to state parks and recreational facilities to veterans without charge

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The parks, recreation and historic preservation law is
2 amended by adding a new section 13.22 to read as follows:

3 § 13.22 State park and recreational facility access; veterans. 1.
4 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the office
5 shall provide to veterans of the armed forces of the United States
6 access to all state parks and recreational facilities under the juris-
7 isdiction of the office or other state agency, entitling such veteran to a
8 pass to such state parks and recreational facilities without the charge
9 of any admission.

10 2. The pass for veterans access shall be available at regional park
11 headquarters and such other places as the office shall designate. Such
12 pass shall be issued in a manner and form to be determined by the office
13 that shall be sufficient to identify the holder as a veteran and shall
14 be valid for the life of such veteran.

15 3. The office shall promulgate such rules and regulations as may be
16 necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

17 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after
18 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amend-
19 ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-
20 tation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and
21 completed on or before such effective date.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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