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AN ACT to amend the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, in relation to granting fee weekday admission to state parks to veterans

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The parks, recreation and historic preservation law is amended by adding a new section 13.18 to read as follows:

S 13.18 STATE PARK AND RECREATIONAL FACILITY ACCESS; VETERANS. 1. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW TO THE CONTRARY, THE OFFICE SHALL PROVIDE TO VETERANS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION ONE HUNDRED ONE OF TITLE THIRTY-EIGHT OF THE UNITED STATES CODE UPON SUBMISSION OF VALID PROOF OF SERVICE, ACCESS TO ALL STATE PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE OFFICE OR OTHER STATE AGENCY, WITHOUT THE CHARGE OF ANY ADMISSION ON ANY WEEKDAY THAT IS NOT A HOLIDAY.

2. THE OFFICE SHALL PROMULGATE SUCH RULES AND REGULATIONS AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after it shall have become a law, provided, however, that effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rules or regulations necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date is authorized and directed to be made and 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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