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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. MORINELLO, NORRIS, SAYEGH, DeSTEFANO, BRABENEC, B. MILLER, DiPIETRO, HAWLEY, SALKA, TAGUE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Tourism, Parks, Arts and Sports Development

AN ACT to amend the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, in relation to providing free use of state parks for volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance personnel

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

Section 1. Section 13.19 of the parks, recreation and historic preser-2 vation law, as amended by chapter 649 of the laws of 1977, is amended to read as follows:

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§ 13.19 Free use of parks and campsites. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, any person who is blind, non-ambulatory, or an amputee or any veteran of the wars of the United States, who has at any time been awarded by the federal government an allowance towards the purchase of an automobile or is eligible for such an award; or any 9 person who is a resident of New York state and serves as an active 10 volunteer firefighter, as defined in section two hundred fifteen of the general municipal law, or as an enrolled member of a volunteer ambulance 12 service pursuant to article thirty of the public health law shall be 13 permitted to use any of the public campsites, parks and other public 14 places of recreation in this state, upon the same terms and conditions 15 as apply to the general public, but without the payment of any fees or other charges for the use of such campsites, parks and other public places of recreation.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after it shall have become a law; provided, however, that effective immediate-20 ly, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation 21 necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date is 22 authorized and directed to be made and completed on or before such 23 effective date.

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

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