

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

May 17, 2023

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Introduced by Sen. KENNEDY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Cultural Affairs, Tourism, Parks and Recreation

AN ACT to amend the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, in relation to providing free use of state parks for members or citizens of state or federally recognized Native American nations

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

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

3 § 13.19 Free use of parks and campsites. Notwithstanding the  
4 provisions of any other law, any person who is blind, non-ambulatory, or  
5 an amputee or any veteran of the wars of the United States, who has at  
6 any time been awarded by the federal government an allowance towards the  
7 purchase of an automobile or is eligible for such an award, or any  
8 member or citizen of a state or federally recognized Native American  
9 nation shall be permitted to use any of the public campsites, parks and  
10 other public places of recreation in this state, upon the same terms and  
11 conditions as apply to the general public, but without the payment of  
12 any fees or other charges for the use of such campsites, parks and other  
13 public places of recreation.

14 § 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall  
15 have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or  
16 repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of  
17 this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed  
18 on or before such effective date.  
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EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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