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the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5010 as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

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- AN ACT Relating to creating a state park foster home pass; amending 1
- 2 RCW 79A.05.065; and creating a new section.
- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON: 3
- **Sec. 1.** RCW 79A.05.065 and 2007 c 441 s 1 are each amended to read 4 5 as follows:
- (1)(a) The commission shall grant to any person who meets the 6 7 eligibility requirements specified in this section a senior citizen's 8 pass which shall: (i) Entitle such a person, and members of his or her camping unit, to a fifty percent reduction in the campsite rental fee 10 prescribed by the commission((τ)); and (ii) entitle such a person to 11 free admission to any state park.
- 12 (b) The commission shall grant a senior citizen's pass to any person who applies for the ((same)) senior citizen's pass and who meets 13 14 the following requirements:
 - (i) The person is at least sixty-two years of age; ((and))
- (ii) The person is a domiciliary of the state of Washington and 16 17 meets reasonable residency requirements prescribed by the commission; 18 and

- (iii) The person and his or her spouse have a combined income ((which)) that would qualify the person for a property tax exemption pursuant to RCW 84.36.381. The financial eligibility requirements of this subsection (1)(b)(iii) ((shall)) apply regardless of whether the applicant for a senior citizen's pass owns taxable property or has obtained or applied for such property tax exemption.
- (c) Each senior citizen's pass granted pursuant to this section is valid ((so)) <u>as</u> long as the senior citizen meets the requirements of (b)(ii) of this subsection. ((Notwithstanding, any)) <u>A</u> senior citizen meeting the eligibility requirements of this section may make a voluntary donation for the upkeep and maintenance of state parks.
- (d) A holder of a senior citizen's pass shall surrender the pass upon request of a commission employee when the employee has reason to believe the holder fails to meet the criteria in (b) of this subsection. The holder shall have the pass returned upon providing proof to the satisfaction of the director ((of the parks and recreation commission)) that the holder ((does)) meets the eligibility criteria for obtaining the senior citizen's pass.
- (2)(a) Any resident of Washington who is disabled as defined by the social security administration and who receives social security benefits for that disability, or any other benefits for that disability from any other governmental or nongovernmental source, or who is entitled to benefits for permanent disability under RCW 71A.10.020(3) due to unemployability full time at the minimum wage, or who is legally blind or profoundly deaf, or who has been issued a card, decal, or special license plate for a permanent disability under RCW 46.16.381 shall be entitled to receive, regardless of age and upon making application therefor, a disability pass at no cost to the holder. The pass shall: (i) Entitle such a person, and members of his or her camping unit, to a fifty percent reduction in the campsite rental fee prescribed by the commission((τ)); and (ii) entitle such a person to free admission to any state park.
- (b) A card, decal, or special license plate issued for a permanent disability under RCW 46.16.381 may serve as a pass for the holder to entitle that person and members of the person's camping unit to a fifty percent reduction in the campsite rental fee prescribed by the commission, and to allow the holder free admission to state parks.

- (3) Any resident of Washington who is a veteran and has a service-connected disability of at least thirty percent shall be entitled to receive a lifetime veteran's disability pass at no cost to the holder. The pass shall: (a) Entitle such <u>a</u> person, and members of his or her camping unit, to free use of any campsite within any state park; (b) entitle such <u>a</u> person to free admission to any state park; and (c) entitle such <u>a</u> person to an exemption from any reservation fees.
- (4)(a) Any Washington state resident who provides out-of-home care to a child, as either a licensed foster-family home or a person related to the child, is entitled to a foster home pass.
- 11 (b) An applicant for a foster home pass must request a pass in the
 12 manner required by the commission. Upon receipt of a properly
 13 submitted request, the commission shall verify with the department of
 14 social and health services that the applicant qualifies under (a) of
 15 this subsection. Once issued, a foster home pass is valid for the
 16 period, which may not be less than one year, designated by the
 17 commission.
 - (c) When accompanied by a child receiving out-of-home care from the pass holder, a foster home pass: (i) Entitles such a person, and members of his or her camping unit, to free use of any campsite within any state park; and (ii) entitles such a person to free admission to any state park.
 - (d) For the purposes of this subsection (4):

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- (i) "Out-of-home care" means placement in a foster-family home or with a person related to the child under the authority of chapter 13.32A, 13.34, or 74.13 RCW;
- 27 <u>(ii) "Foster-family home" has the same meaning as defined in RCW</u> 28 74.15.020; and
- 29 <u>(iii) "Person related to the child" means those persons referred to</u> 30 in RCW 74.15.020(2)(a) (i) through (vi).
- 31 <u>(5)</u> All passes issued pursuant to this section ((shall be)) are 32 valid at all parks any time during the year. However, the pass 33 ((shall)) is not ((be)) valid for admission to concessionaire operated 34 facilities.
- 35 (((5))) (6) The commission shall negotiate payment and costs, to 36 allow holders of a foster home pass free access and usage of park 37 campsites, with the following nonoperated, nonstate-owned parks:

- 1 Central Ferry, Chief Timothy, Crow Butte, and Lyons Ferry. The
- 2 <u>commission shall seek state general fund reimbursement on a biennial</u>
- 3 basis.

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- 4 <u>(7)</u> The commission may deny or revoke any Washington state park 5 pass issued under this section for cause, including but not limited to 6 the following:
 - (a) Residency outside the state of Washington;
- 8 (b) Violation of laws or state park rules resulting in eviction 9 from a state park;
- 10 (c) Intimidating, obstructing, or assaulting a park employee or 11 park volunteer who is engaged in the performance of official duties;
 - (d) Fraudulent use of a pass;
- 13 (e) Providing false information or documentation in the application 14 for a state parks pass;
- 15 (f) Refusing to display or show the pass to park employees when 16 requested; or
- 17 (g) Failing to provide current eligibility information upon request 18 by the agency or when eligibility ceases or changes.
- $((\frac{(6)}{(6)}))$ (8) This section shall not affect or otherwise impair the power of the commission to continue or discontinue any other programs it has adopted for senior citizens.
- $((\frac{7}{}))$ (9) The commission may engage in a mutually agreed upon reciprocal or discounted program for all or specific pass programs with other outdoor recreation agencies.
- 25 $((\frac{8}{(8)}))$ (10) The commission shall adopt $(\frac{8}{(8)})$ those rules as it finds appropriate for the administration of this section. Among other 26 27 things, ((such)) the rules shall prescribe a definition of "camping unit" which will authorize a reasonable number of persons traveling 28 29 with the person having a pass to stay at the campsite rented by such a person, a minimum Washington residency requirement for applicants for 30 31 a senior citizen's pass, and an application form to be completed by 32 applicants for a senior citizen's pass.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. If specific funding for the purposes of this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by June 30, 2008, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and

1 void.

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