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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a waiver of certain state park fees for certain disabled veterans.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1.  Section 13.018(a), Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a)  The following people may apply to the department for a state parklands passport:

(1)  a resident of this state who is 65 years old or over who has resided in the state for six consecutive months preceding the date of application for a parklands passport, a member of the United States armed forces on active duty who is 65 years old or over, or any other individual in a category that the commission by rule designates as a resident of this state who is 65 years old or over;

(2)  a veteran of the armed services of the United States who, as a result of military service:

(A)  [~~,~~] has a service-connected disability, as defined by the Veterans' Administration; [~~, consisting of the loss of the use of a lower extremity or of a 60 percent disability rating~~] and

(B)  [~~who~~] is receiving compensation from the United States because of the disability; and

(3)  an individual who has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of the individual.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.