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House Bill 4964

By Delegate Steele

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A BILL to amend and reenact §20-5-18 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing discounts for West Virginia residents and Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation employees for campground and golf fees.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

§20-5-18. Discounts for West Virginia residents, and Discounts for Current Employees of the West Virginia Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation at campgrounds and state golf courses, and ~~Discounts~~ discounts for West Virginia residents over the age of sixty-two.

(a) The director shall provide to West Virginia citizens, and who document residency by a valid West Virginia driver's license, a 25 percent reduction in campground rental fees for each campsite to be used exclusively by said eligible camper: *Provided,* That the twenty-five percent reduction in campground rental fees shall only apply to those rentals occurring during the period of time beginning on the day after Labor Day and ending four days prior to Memorial Day: *Provided, however,* That a 15 percent reduction in campground rental fees shall apply to those rentals occurring during the period of time beginning on the four days prior to Memorial Day and ending on Labor Day.

(b) The director shall provide to all employees of the West Virginia Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation, and who document employment as a correctional officer with the West Virginia Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation, a 50 percent reduction in campground rental fees for each campsite to be used exclusively by said eligible camper. The director shall provide to all employees of the West Virginia Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation, a 50 percent reduction in green fees and a 50 percent reduction in cart fees at any golf course managed or under the control of the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources.

(c) The director shall provide to West Virginia citizens who are sixty-two years of age or older, and who document residency and age by a valid West Virginia driver's license, a ~~fifty~~ 50 percent reduction in campground rental fees for each campsite to be used exclusively by said eligible camper: *Provided,* That the fifty percent reduction in campground rental fees shall only apply to those rentals occurring during the period of time beginning on the day after Labor Day and ending four days prior to Memorial Day: *Provided, however,* That a 25 percent reduction in campground rental fees shall apply to those rentals occurring during the period of time beginning on the four days prior to Memorial Day and ending on Labor Day.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to allow for a twenty-five percent reduction in campground rental fees for state residents from Labor Day to four days prior to Memorial Day. The bill also provides that residents of West Virginia will have fifteen percent reduction in campground rental fees for all other dates. The bill also provides that DCR employees shall receive a 50 percent reduction in campground rental fees and a 50 percent reduction in any green fees or cart fees at any state run golf course. The bill also allows for West Virginia Residents over the age of sixty-two will be allowed a fifteen percent reduction in campground rental fees from four days prior to Memorial Day until Labor Day.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.