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HOUSE BILL NO. 1766

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 10.1-202.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Disabled Veteran's Passport program for state parks.

Patrons—Cox, Coyner, Helmer, Jenkins, Ransone, Rush and Scott; Senators: Reeves, Ruff and Stuart

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 10.1-202.2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 10.1-202.2. Disabled Veteran's Passport established; free entry into state parks and discounted services.

The Department shall establish a Disabled Veteran's Passport that entitles the bearer to: (i) enter state parks in the Commonwealth without the payment of a parking or admission fee and (ii) receive a 50 percent discount on camping and swimming fees, picnic shelter rentals, and other Department-provided equipment rentals. The passport shall be issued upon request to a veteran of the ~~armed forces~~ *Armed Forces* of the United States with a letter from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, or from the military service that discharged the veteran, certifying that such veteran has a service-connected disability ~~rating of 100 percent~~. The passport shall be valid for as long as the determination of the ~~100 percent~~ service-connected disability by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs remains in effect.

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