FIRST REGULAR SESSION HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 1206

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal section 253.080, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to state parks.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 253.080, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu 2 thereof, to be known as section 253.080, to read as follows:

253.080. 1. The director of the department of natural resources may construct, establish and operate suitable public services, privileges, conveniences and facilities on any land, site or object under the department's jurisdiction and control, and may charge and collect reasonable fees for the use of the same. The director may charge reasonable fees for supplying services on state park areas. Any facilities so constructed under this provision shall only be done by appropriated funds, unless the director has entered into a binding agreement with a donor or grantor to provide support funding for the project.

8 2. The director may award by contract to any suitable person, persons, corporation or 9 association the right to construct, establish and operate public services, privileges, conveniences 10 and facilities on any land, site or object under the department's control for a period not to exceed 11 twenty-five years with a renewal option, and may supervise and regulate any and all charges and 12 fees of operations by private enterprise for supplying services and operating facilities on state 13 park areas.

3. All contracts awarded under this section shall be entered into upon the basis of competitive sealed bids. A sworn financial statement shall accompany each bid, and all contracts shall be let by the director [at a regular meeting] after public notice of the time of the letting. All bids submitted prior to the [opening of the meeting] bid closing shall be considered. For concession contracts with expected annual gross receipts of twenty-five thousand dollars

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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19 or more, advertisements for bids in daily or weekly newspapers shall be made by the director.

The director shall accept the bid most favorable to the state from a responsible and reputable person but may, for good cause, reject any bid. The director shall give preference to all firms, corporations, or individuals doing business as Missouri firms, corporations, or individuals, whenever competing bids, in their entirety, are comparable.

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4. The director shall not enter into a contract or a renewal for a contract as provided in subsection 2 of this section for a period in excess of ten years unless the director determines that the extended contract period is necessary to allow the contractor to make substantial capital or other improvements to the site subject to the contract and such improvements are of sufficient value to the state to necessitate the longer contract term.

5. A good and sufficient bond conditioned upon the faithful performance of the contract and compliance with this law shall be required of all contractors, except that if the contractor states he **or she** is unable to provide a bond, the contractor shall place a cash reserve in an escrow account in an amount proportional to the volume of the contractor's business on the lands controlled by the department of natural resources.

34 6. Any person who contracts under this section with the state shall keep true and accurate 35 records of his or her receipts and disbursements arising out of the performance of the contract 36 and shall permit the [division of parks and recreation of the] department of natural resources [and 37 the state director of revenue] to audit them. The [division of parks and recreation of the] 38 department of natural resources [and the state director of revenue] shall audit the receipts and 39 disbursement of each concession contract once every two years and upon the expiration of the 40 **concession** contract. For the purpose of subsection 5 of this section and this subsection, no 41 contract shall be deemed to extend to operations or management in more than one state park 42 unless the director has determined such extension to be in the best interest of the state 43 based on an assessment of the financial and operation history of the facility.

7. No person shall be permitted to offer or advertise merchandise or other goods for sale or rental, or to maintain any concession, or use any park facilities, buildings, trails, roads or other state park property for commercial use except by written permission or concession contract with the department of natural resources; except that, the provisions of this subsection shall not apply to the normal and customary use of public roads by commercial and noncommercial organizations for the purpose of transporting persons or vehicles, including, but not limited to, canoes.

8. The director, upon request, may authorize a private person, corporation, or other entity to provide services to visitors to any lands, sites, or objects under the department's control for a term not to exceed two years, through a commercial use permit, without soliciting competitive sealed bids. A commercial use permit shall not be considered HCS HB 1206

- 55 to be a concession contract under this section, and no other subsection of this section shall
- 56 be applicable to a commercial use permit except where expressly stated. Any commercial
- 57 use permit shall be limited to commercial operations with annual gross receipts of not more
- 58 than one hundred thousand dollars resulting from services originating and provided solely
- 59 within a state park or historic site pursuant to the commercial use permit, and which
- 60 involve only incidental use of state park or historic site facility space or resources.

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