

SENATE FILE 2281  
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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act providing for the use of state park and recreation area  
2 facilities by military family support groups free of charge.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

STATE GOVERNMENT

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 461A.47A MILITARY FAMILY SUPPORT  
2 GROUP USE OF STATE PARK OR RECREATION AREA FACILITIES.

3 1. For the purposes of this section:

4 a. "Dependent" means a spouse or child of a service member  
5 or any other person dependent upon the service member for  
6 support.

7 b. "Military family support group" means a group of  
8 service members or dependents organized to provide mutual  
9 support and designated as such by the adjutant general or the  
10 adjutant general's designee.

11 c. "Service member" means a member of an Iowa unit,  
12 detachment, or organization of the army national guard of the  
13 United States or the air national guard of the United States  
14 as those forces are defined in 10 U.S.C. § 101, or a member of  
15 an Iowa-based reserve unit of the army, navy, air force, or  
16 marine corps as those forces are defined in 10 U.S.C. § 101.

17 d. "State park or recreation area facility" means any  
18 state-owned campsite, cabin, lodge, yurt, shelter, or beach  
19 house within a state park or recreation area which is  
20 regularly available for rent for use by the public.

21 2. A military family support group may use any state park  
22 or recreation area facility free of charge for one day or  
23 night of each calendar year.

24 3. The department shall establish rules for administering  
25 this section.

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#### EXPLANATION

27 This bill allows a military family support group to use any  
28 state park or recreation area facility free of charge for one  
29 day or night of each calendar year. The bill defines a  
30 "military family support group" as a group including members  
31 of Iowa-based national guard and reserve units of all branches  
32 of the military and the dependents of such service members. A  
33 military family support group may use, free of charge, any  
34 state-owned campsite, cabin, lodge, yurt, shelter, or beach  
35 house which is regularly available for rent by the public.