

Amendment No. 685

Assembly Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 550 (BDR 35-1309)

Proposed by: Assembly Committee on Ways and Means**Amends:** Summary: No Title: No Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes

Adoption of this amendment will MAINTAIN the 2/3s majority vote requirement for final passage of A.B. 550 (§ 1).

ASSEMBLY ACTION				Initial and Date	SENATE ACTION				Initial and Date
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Receded	☐	Not	☐	_____	Receded	☐	Not	☐	_____

EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) ***blue bold italics*** is new language in the original bill; (2) ***green bold italic underlining*** is new language proposed in this amendment; (3) ~~red strikethrough~~ is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ~~purple double strikethrough~~ is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill that is proposed to be retained in this amendment; and (6) ***green bold dashed underlining*** is newly added transitory language.

LJM/BJE



Date: 5/14/2009

A.B. No. 550—Requires the establishment of a commercial wedding program at the Boulder Dam-Valley of Fire State Park. (BDR 35-1309)



ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 550—COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

MAY 5, 2009

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Requires the establishment of a commercial wedding program at the Boulder Dam-Valley of Fire State Park. (BDR 35-1309)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to state parks; requiring the Administrator of the Division of State Parks of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to establish a commercial wedding program at the Boulder Dam-Valley of Fire State Park; requiring the Administrator to impose and collect a fee for weddings held at the Park under the program; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law authorizes the Administrator of the Division of State Parks of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to conduct and operate special services at state parks and impose and collect reasonable fees for the special services. (NRS 407.065) **Section 1** of this bill requires the Administrator to establish a commercial wedding program at the Boulder Dam-Valley of Fire State Park and to impose and collect a fee of \$150 for weddings that are held at the Park under the program. **Section 2 of this bill requires that fees collected in excess of amounts authorized for expenditure must be deposited in the Account for Maintenance of State Parks.**

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 407.065 is hereby amended to read as follows:

407.065 1. The Administrator, subject to the approval of the Director:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, may establish, name, plan, operate, control, protect, develop and maintain state parks, monuments and recreational areas for the use of the general public. The name of an existing state park, monument or recreational area may not be changed unless the Legislature approves the change by statute.

(b) Shall protect state parks and property controlled or administered by the Division from misuse or damage and preserve the peace within those areas. The Administrator may appoint or designate certain employees of the Division to have the general authority of peace officers.

(c) May allow multiple use of state parks and real property controlled or administered by the Division for any lawful purpose, including, but not limited to, grazing, mining, development of natural resources, hunting and fishing, in accordance with such regulations as may be adopted in furtherance of the purposes of the Division.

(d) Shall impose and collect reasonable fees for entering, camping and boating in state parks and recreational areas. The Division shall issue, upon application therefor and proof of residency and age, an annual permit for entering, camping and boating in all state parks and recreational areas in this State to any person who is 65 years of age or older and has resided in this State for at least 5 years immediately preceding the date on which the application is submitted. The permit must be issued without charge, except that the Division shall charge and collect an administrative fee for the issuance of the permit in an amount sufficient to cover the costs of issuing the permit.

(e) May conduct and operate such special services as may be necessary for the comfort and convenience of the general public, and impose and collect reasonable fees for such special services.

(f) May rent or lease concessions located within the boundaries of state parks or of real property controlled or administered by the Division to public or private corporations, to groups of natural persons, or to natural persons for a valuable consideration upon such terms and conditions as the Division deems fit and proper, but no concessionaire may dominate any state park operation.

(g) Shall establish a commercial wedding program at the Boulder Dam-Valley of Fire State Park and impose and collect a fee of \$150 for weddings held at the Park under the program. Fees collected pursuant to this paragraph must be deposited in the State General Fund to the credit of the Division.

(h) May establish such capital projects construction funds as are necessary to account for the parks improvements program approved by the Legislature. The money in these funds must be used for the construction and improvement of those parks which are under the supervision of the Administrator.

2. The Administrator:

(a) Shall issue an annual permit to a person who pays a reasonable fee as prescribed by regulation which authorizes the holder of the permit to enter each state park and each recreational area in this State and, except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, use the facilities of the state park or recreational area without paying the entrance fee; and

(b) May issue an annual permit to a person who pays a reasonable fee as prescribed by regulation which authorizes the holder of the permit to enter a specific state park or specific recreational area in this State and, except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, use the facilities of the state park or recreational area without paying the entrance fee.

3. An annual permit issued pursuant to subsection 2 does not authorize the holder of the permit to engage in camping or boating, or to attend special events. The holder of such a permit who wishes to engage in camping or boating, or to attend special events, must pay any fee established for the respective activity.

4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 1 of NRS 407.0762 and subsection 1 of NRS 407.0765, the fees collected pursuant to paragraphs (d), (e), ~~and (f)~~ (f) and (g) of subsection 1 or subsection 2 must be deposited in the State General Fund.

Sec. 2. NRS 407.0762 is hereby amended to read as follows:

407.0762 1. The Account for Maintenance of State Parks within the Division of State Parks is hereby created in the State General Fund. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 407.0765, any amount of fees collected pursuant to

1 paragraphs (d), (e), ~~and~~ (f) and (g) of subsection 1 or subsection 2 of NRS
2 407.065 in a calendar year, which is in excess of the amounts authorized for
3 expenditure from that revenue source in the Division's budget for the fiscal year
4 beginning in that calendar year, must be deposited in the Account. The interest and
5 income earned on the money in the Account, after deducting any applicable
6 charges, must be credited to the Account.

7 2. The money in the Account does not lapse to the State General Fund at the
8 end of any fiscal year.

9 3. The money deposited in the Account pursuant to subsection 1 must only be
10 used to repair and maintain state parks, monuments and recreational areas.

11 4. Before the Administrator may expend money pursuant to subsection 3:

12 (a) For emergency repairs and projects with a cost of less than \$25,000, he
13 must first receive the approval of the Director.

14 (b) For projects with a cost of \$25,000 or more, other than emergency repairs,
15 he must first receive the approval of the Director and of the Interim Finance
16 Committee.

17 ~~Sec. 2.~~ **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2009.