H.B. NO. 679

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE PARKS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 The legislature finds that the state parks SECTION 1. 2 special fund is vital to enhance parks used by many Hawaii residents and visitors. However, the fund is currently subject 3 to a transfer of five per cent of its receipts from the 4 transient accommodation tax for central services expenses. 5 6 Eliminating the five per cent transfer from the state parks 7 special fund increases the money in the fund to address aging facilities, deferred maintenance, vandalism, erosion, and other 8 9 conditions affecting the State's parks and natural resources. 10 It is important for the State to maintain its natural beauty, 11 lush open spaces, recreational areas, and historical and 12 cultural places to meet tourists' expectation of paradise in 13 Hawaii. Thus, the moneys from the state parks special fund play 14 a vital role in the health of the State's tourism industry and 15 economy.

16 The purpose of this Act is to eliminate the five per cent 17 reduction from the state parks special fund to increase the



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1	amount of funds available for construction, repairs,
2	replacement, additions, and extensions of state park facilities.
3	SECTION 2. Section 36-27, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4	amended to read as follows:
5	"§36-27 Transfers from special funds for central service
6	expenses. Except as provided in this section, and
7	notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, from time to
8	time, the director of finance, for the purpose of defraying the
9	prorated estimate of central service expenses of government in
10	relation to all special funds, except the:
11	(1) Special out-of-school time instructional program fund
12	under section 302A-1310;
13	(2) School cafeteria special funds of the department of
14	education;
15	(3) Special funds of the University of Hawaii;
16	(4) State educational facilities improvement special fund;
17	(5) Convention center enterprise special fund under
18	section 201B-8;
19	(6) Special funds established by section 206E-6;
20	(7) Housing loan program revenue bond special fund;
21	(8) Housing project bond special fund;
22	(9) Aloha Tower fund created by section 206J-17;



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1	(10)	Funds of the employees' retirement system created by
2		section 88-109;
3	(11)	Unemployment compensation fund established under
4		section 383-121;
5	(12)	Hawaii hurricane relief fund established under chapter
6		431P;
7	(13)	Hawaii health systems corporation special funds and
8		the subaccounts of its regional system boards;
9	(14)	Tourism special fund established under section 201B-
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11	(15)	Universal service fund established under chapter 269;
12	(16)	Emergency and budget reserve fund under section 328L-
13		3;
14	(17)	Public schools special fees and charges fund under
15		section 302A-1130(f);
16	(18)	Sport fish special fund under section 187A-9.5;
17	(19)	Neurotrauma special fund under section 321H-4;
18	(20)	Deposit beverage container deposit special fund under
19		section 342G-104;
20	(21)	Glass advance disposal fee special fund established by
21		section 342G-82;



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1	(22)	Center for nursing special fund under section 304A-		
2		2163;		
3	(23)	Passenger facility charge special fund established by		
4		section 261-5.5;		
5	(24)	Solicitation of funds for charitable purposes special		
6		fund established by section 467B-15;		
7	(25)	Land conservation fund established by section 173A-5;		
8	(26)	Court interpreting services revolving fund under		
9		section 607-1.5;		
10	(27)	Trauma system special fund under section 321-22.5;		
11	(28)	Hawaii cancer research special fund;		
12	(29)	Community health centers special fund;		
13	(30)	Emergency medical services special fund; [and]		
14	(31)	Rental motor vehicle customer facility charge special		
15		fund established under section 261-5.6; and		
16	(32)	State parks special fund under section 184-3.4;		
17	shall deduct five per cent of all receipts of all other special			
18	funds, which deduction shall be transferred to the general fund			
19	of the State and become general realizations of the State. All			
20	officers of the State and other persons having power to allocate			
21	or disburse any special funds shall cooperate with the director			
22	in effect:	ing these transfers. To determine the proper revenue		
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1 base upon which the central service assessment is to be
2 calculated, the director shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter
3 91 for the purpose of suspending or limiting the application of
4 the central service assessment of any fund. No later than
5 twenty days prior to the convening of each regular session of
6 the legislature, the director shall report all central service
7 assessments made during the preceding fiscal year."

8 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

10 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2009.

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Report Title:

State Parks Special Fund; Central Service Expenses; Exemptions

Description:

Exempts the state parks special fund from the 5% central service expenses fee.

