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AN ACT

To repeal section 253.080 and 253.082, RSMo, relating to state parks, and to enact in lieu thereof four new sections relating to the same subject.

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

Section A. Sections 253.080 and 253.082, RSMo, are repealed and four new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 253.080, 253.082, 253.092 and 253.095, to read as follows: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.

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

EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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 shall be considered. 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.

4. [No contract for a period of ten years or more or a renewal thereof for such period, as provided in subsection 2 of this section, shall be finally awarded until approved by the general assembly by concurrent resolution considered and adopted as other concurrent resolutions of the general assembly.] **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 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.

6. Any person who contracts under this section with the state shall keep true and accurate records of his receipts and disbursements arising out of the performance of the contract and shall permit the division of parks and recreation of the department of natural resources and the state director of revenue to audit them. The division of parks and recreation of the department of natural resources and the state director of revenue shall audit the receipts and disbursement of each contract once every two years and upon the expiration of the contract. For the purpose of subsection 5 of this section and this subsection, no contract shall be deemed to extend to operations or management in more than one state park.

253.082. Upon a request from the director of the department of natural

resources, the commissioner of administration shall draw a warrant payable to the facility head of each of the state parks and historic sites in an amount to be specified by the director of the department of natural resources, but such amount shall not exceed the sum of **one thousand** five hundred dollars for each such facility. The sum so specified shall be placed in the hands of the facility head as a revolving fund to be used in the payment of the incidental expenses of the facility for which he has been appointed and for the refund of fees paid by the public. All expenditures shall be made in accordance with rules and regulations established by the commissioner of administration.

253.092. 1. There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Arrow Rock State Historic Site Endowment Fund". The fund shall be administered by the Missouri department of natural resources. All moneys, funds, or other assets acquired as provided in section 253.091 shall be deposited with the state treasurer to the credit of the fund. All income, interest, rights, or rent earned through the operation of the fund shall also be credited to the fund. All other property, real and personal, acquired through any grant, gift, donation, devise, or bequest to the Missouri department of natural resources for the purposes stated in section 253.091 shall also be deposited in the fund. The original twenty-one thousand nine hundred sixty-five dollars and ninety-two cents Bill and Cora Lee Miller bequest now in the state park earnings fund is hereby transferred into the Arrow Rock state historic site endowment fund.

2. Arrow Rock State Historic Site Endowment fund shall be used for the enhancement of Arrow Rock state historic site's public interpretive programs, and may be used by the Missouri department of natural resources for the preparation of museum exhibits, acquisition of artifacts, publication of information, payment of fees for exhibits or lectures, or other similar interpretive needs and for no other purpose.

3. The state treasurer shall be the custodian of all moneys, bonds, securities, or interests and rights therein deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the Arrow Rock state historic site endowment fund and shall invest the moneys in the fund in a manner as provided by law.

4. Until January 1, 2100, the Missouri department of natural resources may annually expend an amount equal to one-half of the interest earned by the Arrow Rock state historic site endowment fund in the immediately preceding fiscal year for the purposes stated in this section. Beginning January 1, 2100, and thereafter the Missouri department of natural resources may annually expend an amount equal to the interest earned by the Arrow Rock state historic site endowment fund in the immediately preceding fiscal year, for the purposes stated in this section.

5. Funds from the Arrow Rock state historic site endowment fund shall be expended only upon appropriation by the general assembly. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary, funds appropriated, but not expended by the end of the fiscal year, shall revert to the Arrow Rock state historic site endowment fund.

253.095. In order to further the interpretive, educational, and maintenance functions of Missouri state parks, the director of the Missouri department of natural resources is authorized to enter into agreements with private, not-for-profit organizations that are organized solely for the purpose of providing interpretive, educational, or maintenance services to Missouri state parks. Net proceeds received from the sale of publications or other materials provided by an organization pursuant to such an agreement entered into under this section shall be retained by the organization for use in the interpretive, educational, or maintenance services provided to the park that the organization is designated to serve.

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