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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to land management; amending s.
3 259.032, F.S.; providing for the use of
4 Conservation and Recreation Lands funds to
5 manage additional lands; amending s. 372.57,
6 F.S.; providing for an exemption to the
7 recreational user permit fee; providing an
8 effective date.

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10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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12 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (11) of section
13 259.032, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to
14 read:

15 259.032 Conservation and Recreation Lands Trust Fund;
16 purpose.--

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18 (b) An amount up to 1.5 percent of the cumulative
19 total of funds ever deposited into the Florida Preservation
20 2000 Trust Fund shall be made available for the purposes of
21 management, maintenance, and capital improvements, and for
22 associated contractual services, for lands acquired pursuant
23 to this section and s. 259.101 to which title is vested in the
24 board of trustees and other lands managed by and titled to a
25 state agency which are contiguous to lands acquired under this
26 section and s. 259.101. Each agency with management
27 responsibilities shall annually request from the Legislature
28 funds sufficient to fulfill such responsibilities. Capital
29 improvements shall include, but need not be limited to,
30 perimeter fencing, signs, firelanes, access roads and trails,
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1 and minimal public accommodations, such as primitive
2 campsites, garbage receptacles, and toilets.

3 Section 2. Subsection (4) of section 372.57, Florida
4 Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read:

5 372.57 Licenses and permits; exemptions; fees.--No
6 person, except as provided herein, shall take game, freshwater
7 fish, or fur-bearing animals within this state without having
8 first obtained a license, permit, or authorization and paid
9 the fees hereinafter set forth, unless such license is issued
10 without fee as provided in s. 372.561. Such license, permit,
11 or authorization shall authorize the person to whom it is
12 issued to take game, freshwater fish, or fur-bearing animals
13 in accordance with law and commission rules. Such license,
14 permit, or authorization is not transferable. Each license or
15 permit must bear on its face in indelible ink the name of the
16 person to whom it is issued and other information requested by
17 the commission. Such license, permit, or authorization issued
18 by the commission or any agent must be in the personal
19 possession of the person to whom issued while taking game,
20 freshwater fish, or fur-bearing animals. The failure of such
21 person to exhibit such license, permit, or authorization to
22 the commission or its wildlife officers, when such person is
23 found taking game, freshwater fish, or fur-bearing animals, is
24 a violation of law. A positive form of identification is
25 required when using an authorization, a lifetime license, a
26 5-year license, or when otherwise required by the license or
27 permit. The lifetime licenses and 5-year licenses provided
28 herein shall be embossed with the name, date of birth, the
29 date of issuance, and other pertinent information as deemed
30 necessary by the commission. A certified copy of the
31 applicant's birth certificate shall accompany all applications

1 for a lifetime license for residents 12 years of age and
2 younger. Each applicant for a license, permit, or
3 authorization shall provide the applicant's social security
4 number on the application form. Disclosure of social security
5 numbers obtained through this requirement shall be limited to
6 the purpose of administration of the Title IV-D child support
7 enforcement program and use by the commission, and as
8 otherwise provided by law.

9 (4) In addition to any license required by this
10 chapter, the following permits and fees for certain hunting,
11 fishing, and recreational uses, and the activities authorized
12 thereby, are:

13 (a) A Florida waterfowl permit to take wild ducks or
14 geese within this state or its coastal waters is \$3.

15 (b)1. Management area permits to hunt, fish, or
16 otherwise use for outdoor recreational purposes, land owned,
17 leased, or managed by the commission or the State of Florida
18 for the use and benefit of the commission, up to \$25 annually.
19 Permits, and fees thereof, for short-term use of land which is
20 owned, leased, or managed by the commission may be established
21 by rule of the commission for any activity on such lands.
22 Such permits and fees may be in lieu of or in addition to the
23 annual management area permit. Other than for hunting or
24 fishing, the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply on
25 any lands not owned by the commission, unless the commission
26 shall have obtained the written consent of the owner or
27 primary custodian of such lands.

28 2. A recreational user permit fee to hunt, fish, or
29 otherwise use for outdoor recreational purposes, land leased
30 by the commission from private nongovernmental owners, except
31 for those lands located directly north of the Apalachicola

1 National Forest, east of the Ochlockonee River until the point
2 the river meets the dam forming Lake Talquin, and south of the
3 closest federal highway. The fee for this permit shall be
4 based upon economic compensation desired by the landowner,
5 game population levels, desired hunter density, and
6 administrative costs. The permit fee shall be set by
7 commission rule on a per-acre basis. On property currently in
8 the private landowner payment program, the prior year's
9 landowner payment shall be used to augment the landowner lease
10 fee so as to decrease the permit fee for the users of that
11 property. One minor dependent child per permittee may hunt
12 under the supervision of the permittee and is exempt from the
13 permit fee.The spouse and dependent children of a permittee
14 are exempt from the permit fee when engaged in outdoor
15 recreational activities other than hunting in the company of
16 the permittee. Notwithstanding any other provision of this
17 chapter, there are no other exclusions, exceptions, or
18 exemptions from this permit fee. The landowner lease fee, less
19 an administrative permit fee of up to \$25 per permit, shall be
20 remitted to the landowner as provided in the lease agreement
21 for each area.

22 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
23 law.

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26 SENATE SUMMARY

27 Authorizes the use of Conservation and Recreation Lands
28 funds to manage lands contiguous to CARL lands but titled
29 to a state agency other than the Board of Trustees of the
30 Internal Improvement Trust Fund. Provides for an
31 exemption to the recreational user permit fee to hunt,
fish, or otherwise use recreational lands.