

By the Committee on General Government Appropriations and Representative Putnam

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; providing for uses of
6 management equipment; amending s. 372.57, F.S.;
7 providing for an exemption to the recreational
8 user permit fee; providing an 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.--

17 (11)

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 conservation and recreation lands
25 managed by a state agency. Each agency with management
26 responsibilities shall annually request from the Legislature
27 funds sufficient to fulfill such responsibilities. Capital
28 improvements shall include, but need not be limited to,
29 perimeter fencing, signs, firelanes, access roads and trails,
30 and minimal public accommodations, such as primitive
31 campsites, garbage receptacles, and toilets. Any equipment

1 purchased with funds provided pursuant to this paragraph may
2 be used for the purposes described in this paragraph on any
3 conservation and recreation lands managed by a state agency.

4 Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section
5 372.57, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read:

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

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

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

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

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

1 the river meets the dam forming Lake Talquin, and south of the
2 closest federal highway. The fee for this permit shall be
3 based upon economic compensation desired by the landowner,
4 game population levels, desired hunter density, and
5 administrative costs. The permit fee shall be set by
6 commission rule on a per-acre basis. On property currently in
7 the private landowner payment program, the prior year's
8 landowner payment shall be used to augment the recreational
9 user permit ~~landowner lease~~ fee so as to decrease the permit
10 fee for the users of that property. One minor dependent child,
11 16 years old or under, per permittee may hunt under the
12 supervision of the permittee and is exempt from the permit
13 fee.The spouse and dependent children of a permittee are
14 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 recreational user permit
19 ~~landowner lease~~ fee, less an administrative permit fee of up
20 to \$25 per permit, shall be remitted to the landowner as
21 provided in the lease agreement for each area.

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

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