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8 SYNOPSIS: To create the Park for Patriots Act of 2018.

9 Under existing law, active and retired
10 military personnel have free admission to all
11 Alabama state parks operated by the Department of
12 Conservation and Natural Resources on state and
13 federal holidays.

14 This bill would amend the current law,
15 Section 9-14-8, Code of Alabama 1975, to provide
16 all Alabama residents who are active and retired
17 military personnel in good standing, free admission
18 to any Alabama state park during all days wherein
19 entry to such state park is open to the general
20 public, including any state or federal holiday.

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22 A BILL
23 TO BE ENTITLED
24 AN ACT

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26 To create the Park for Patriots Act of 2018, to
27 amend Section 9-14-8, Code of Alabama 1975, relating to state

1 park entry without charge for military personnel on holidays;
2 to provide that all Alabama residents who are active and
3 retired members in good standing of the United States Armed
4 Forces or National Guard, including all reserve components
5 thereof, free admission to any state park operated by the
6 Department of Conservation and Natural Resources on all days
7 wherein entry to such state park is open to the general
8 public, including any state or federal holiday.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

10 Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited
11 as the Park for Patriots Act of 2018.

12 Section 2. Section 9-14-8, Code of Alabama 1975, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 "§9-14-8.

15 "(a) Any active or retired member of the United
16 States Armed Forces, including any reserve component thereof,
17 or the National Guard, upon presentation of an appropriate
18 active or retired military identification card, shall be
19 granted free admission to any state park operated by the
20 Department of Conservation and Natural Resources on any state
21 or federal holiday.

22 "(b) Any Alabama resident, who is an active member
23 or retired member in good standing of the United States Armed
24 Forces or National Guard, including any reserve component
25 thereof, upon presentation of an appropriate active or retired
26 military identification card, shall be granted free admission
27 to any state park operated by the Department of Conservation

1 and Natural Resources on all days wherein entry to such state
2 park is open to the general public."

3 Section 3. All laws or parts of laws which conflict
4 with this act are repealed.

5 Section 4. This act shall become effective on the
6 first day of the third month following its passage and
7 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.