

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB 804
Version:	Engrossed Senate
Request Number:	N/A
Author:	Rep. Newton
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Impact:	Tourism: \$160,000 Revenue

Research Analysis

SB804 prohibits someone from occupying a camp site at a state park identified as “reserved” by Department staff. The measure also prohibits someone from entering an area of a state park that requires an entry fee, if the person has not paid the fee. The measure lists fines for violations of these provisions.

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Fiscal Analysis

SB 804 allows for the Department of Tourism and Recreation to fine those parked in “Reserved” campsites or who enter an entry fee area without first paying the fee \$50 on the first occurrence. Currently Tourism charges \$20 for a Premium Parking citation fee. From September 2020 to February 2021, Tourism has collected about \$16,175 in fees, and expect to collect about \$32,000 yearly at this rate. If the fine was increased to \$50 and expanded to cover “Reserved” campsites Tourism expects to collect about \$160,000 yearly. Based on current data Tourism has, it is not possible to calculate what it might collect from second (\$100) and third (\$250) fines. Tourism expects to use most of this money to fund capital maintenance projects for the State Parks.

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Other Considerations

None.