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2 An act relating to state park fees; creating s.  
3 258.0142, F.S.; providing certain discounts on state  
4 park fees to specified foster and adoptive families;  
5 requiring the Division of Recreation and Parks within  
6 the Department of Environmental Protection, in  
7 consultation with the Department of Children and  
8 Families, to establish certain documentation standards  
9 and create a procedure for obtaining the discounts;  
10 requiring the division to continue a partnership with  
11 the Department of Children and Families to promote  
12 fostering and adoption of special needs children with  
13 certain events; providing an effective date.  
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15 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:  
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17 Section 1. Section 258.0142, Florida Statutes, is created  
18 to read:

19 258.0142 Foster and adoptive family state park fee  
20 discounts.-

21 (1) To promote awareness of the contributions made by  
22 foster families and adoptive families to the vitality of the  
23 state, the Division of Recreation and Parks shall provide the  
24 following discounts on state park fees to persons who present  
25 written documentation satisfactory to the division which

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26 | evidences their eligibility for the discounts:

27 |       (a) Families operating a licensed family foster home under  
28 | s. 409.175 shall receive family annual entrance passes at no  
29 | charge and a 50 percent discount on base campsite fees at state  
30 | parks.

31 |       (b) Families who adopt a special needs child as described  
32 | in s. 409.166(2)(a)2. from the Department of Children and  
33 | Families shall receive a one-time family annual entrance pass at  
34 | no charge at the time of the adoption.

35 |       (2) The division, in consultation with the Department of  
36 | Children and Families, shall identify the types of documentation  
37 | sufficient to establish eligibility for the discounts under this  
38 | section and establish a procedure for obtaining the discounts.

39 |       (3) The division shall continue its partnership with the  
40 | Department of Children and Families to promote fostering and  
41 | adoption of special needs children with events held each year  
42 | during National Foster Care Month and National Adoption Month.

43 |       Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.