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**OLR Bill Analysis****sSB 752*****AN ACT CONCERNING SMOKING AND VAPING ON BEACHES IN STATE PARKS.*****SUMMARY**

This bill prohibits smoking on a beach located in a state park. "Smoking" means inhaling, exhaling, burning, carrying, or possessing a lighted cigarette, cigar, pipe, or other device with lighted tobacco, as well as an electronic nicotine delivery system and vapor product.

Under the bill, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) commissioner may enforce the smoking prohibition. She may issue a warning for a first violation. A subsequent violation is an infraction, payable by mail.

The bill does not require that any state park signs be altered. Rather, it requires DEEP to publish notice of the prohibition on its website and park attendants, if any, to inform patrons of it when the patrons enter the park.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2019

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Environment Committee

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Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 25      Nay 4      (02/25/2019)