

AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE PARKS; PROVIDING FOR VOLUNTEER SERVICES IN
THE OPERATION OF STATE PARKS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of Chapter 16, Article 2 NMSA
1978 is enacted to read:

"STATE PARK VOLUNTEERS.--

A. The state parks division of the energy, minerals and natural resources department may develop a program to recruit, train and accept the services of volunteers who support programs administered by the division. Volunteers may provide services for or in aid of interpretive functions, visitor services, conservation measures and development or other activities in and related to state parks and other conservation and natural resource activities administered by the division. Volunteers shall comply with applicable rules and policies of the department and the division.

B. A volunteer shall not be deemed to be a state employee and shall not be subject to the provisions of law relating to state employment, including those relating to hours of work, rates of compensation, leave, unemployment compensation and state employee benefits.

C. A volunteer traveling at the request of the

