

HB 2480-S - DIGEST

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 2ND SUB)

Adopts certain policy recommendations developed by the sustainable recreation work group that are capable of being implemented in the near term and that may provide near-term benefits to sustainable recreation or additional information that may be used to improve recreational activities in Washington.

Requires the department of natural resources to: (1) Convey the responsibility to operate or maintain recreation facilities to a concessionaire; and

(2) Initiate two private concessionaire pilot projects to better understand how private concessionaires could be compatible with the department's tradition of providing primitive, relatively dispersed recreation experiences and whether allowing concessionaires access to well-suited campgrounds could improve the quality of service provided while reducing management costs to the department.

Requires the department of natural resources, the department of fish and wildlife, and the state parks and recreation commission to formally explore how the three agencies can develop and implement a multiagency pass that would allow the holder to access any fee-based recreational lands or facilities managed by any one of the agencies in lieu of paying a separate access fee to an individual agency.