HOUSE BILL REPORT SB 6174

As Reported By House Committee On:

Natural Resources

Title: An act relating to the continuing operation of the winter recreation advisory committee.

Brief Description: Extending the tenure of the winter recreation advisory committee.

Sponsors: Senators Jacobsen, Oke and McAuliffe; by request of Parks and Recreation Commission.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Natural Resources: 2/16/00, 2/18/00 [DP].

Brief Summary of Bill

 Allows the continued operation of the Winter Recreation Advisory Committee.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 11 members: Representatives Buck, Republican Co-Chair; Regala, Democratic Co-Chair; Anderson, Democratic Vice Chair; Sump, Republican Vice Chair; G. Chandler; Clements; Doumit; Eickmeyer; Ericksen; Rockefeller and Stensen.

Staff: Josh Weiss (786-7129).

Background:

The Winter Recreation Advisory Committee was created in 1975. The 12-member committee advises the Parks and Recreation Commission in the administration and development of non-motorized winter recreation facilities and programs. For example, the commission must consult the committee in setting the fee for winter recreational area parking permits (Sno-Park permits). Six of the Winter Recreation Advisory Committee members represent non-snowmobiling interests from across the state, three represent

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snowmobilers, two represent the departments of Fish and Wildlife and Natural Resources, and one represents the Washington Association of Counties. According to statute, the committee is terminated on June 30, 2001.

Summary of Bill:

The provision which would have terminated the committee on June 30, 2001, is eliminated, allowing the committee to continue indefinitely. Statutory language is made gender neutral. Statutory references that have been recodified are corrected.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available. New fiscal note requested on January 19, 2000.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: None.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: None.

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