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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** Park lands and park facilities are a  
4 vital component of the future health and prosperity of the state. In  
5 order to ensure that the state continues to be able to provide high  
6 quality park, recreation, and open space for the public, it is the  
7 intent of the legislature through this act to provide funding for  
8 capital projects to help overcome the extensive backlog of  
9 maintenance needs at state parks. This new source of funding for the  
10 critical capital needs of the state's parks furthers the mission of  
11 recreation and outdoor education and is intended to enhance the  
12 ability of the state parks and recreation commission, over the next  
13 eight years, to fulfill its critical role in providing recreational  
14 access for the state's youth and public as they enjoy the natural  
15 heritage of Washington.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The definitions in this section apply  
17 throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires  
18 otherwise.

19 (1) "Bonds" means bonds, notes, commercial paper, certificates of  
20 indebtedness, or other evidences of indebtedness of the state issued  
21 under this chapter.

22 (2) "Commission" means the state parks and recreation commission  
23 defined in RCW 79A.05.010.

24 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** (1) With the exception of subsection (2)  
25 of this section, for the purpose of providing needed capital  
26 improvements consisting of the predesign, design, maintenance,  
27 construction, modification, renovation, modifying existing structures  
28 to meet current and future needs, equipping, and other improvement of  
29 state buildings and facilities for the commission, the state finance  
30 committee is authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the

1 state of Washington in the sum of five hundred million dollars, or as  
2 much thereof as may be required, to finance all or a part of the cost  
3 of these projects and all costs incidental thereto.

4 (2) Proceeds from these bonds may not be used for any  
5 expenditures to any part of the cross-state trail east of the  
6 Columbia river known by the names of the Milwaukie Road corridor,  
7 John Wayne trail or iron horse trail, or for the Columbia Plateau  
8 trail south of the Turnbull national wildlife refuge where the  
9 scablands nature trail and the Columbia Plateau trail meet and north  
10 of the Snake river junction trailhead. Proceeds from these bonds may  
11 not be used for any expenditures pertaining to any part of trails  
12 acquired by the commission after the effective date of this section.

13 (3) Proceeds from these bonds may not be used to purchase or  
14 acquire any new land.

15 (4) Bonds authorized in this section shall be sold in the manner,  
16 at the time or times, in amounts, and at such prices as the state  
17 finance committee shall determine.

18 (5) No bonds authorized in this section may be offered for sale  
19 without prior legislative appropriation of the net proceeds of the  
20 sale of the bonds.

21 (6) The bonds issued under the authority of this section shall be  
22 known as Washington's state parks future bonds.

23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** It is the intent of the legislature that  
24 the proceeds of new bonds authorized in this chapter will be  
25 appropriated in phases over five biennia, beginning with the  
26 2017-2019 biennium, to provide additional funding for capital  
27 projects and facilities of the commission. This chapter is not  
28 intended to limit the legislature's ability to appropriate bond  
29 proceeds if the full amount authorized in this chapter has not been  
30 appropriated after four biennia, and the authorization to issue bonds  
31 contained in this chapter does not expire until the full  
32 authorization has been appropriated and issued.

33 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** The commission shall prepare a reporting  
34 structure for use in tracking the success and progress of  
35 implementing this chapter. Reports must be submitted concurrent with  
36 the office of financial management requirements for agency biennial  
37 budget requests, including submittal to the appropriate fiscal

1 committees of the legislature, and at a minimum contain the  
2 following:

3 (1) The total anticipated project list to be funded with this  
4 chapter, with updates provided each biennia;

5 (2) A list of the subsequent biennia project proposals including  
6 those with completed designs and completed permit submittals;

7 (3) The accomplishments to date, with projected and actual  
8 spending on projects funded by this chapter; and

9 (4) The overall facility condition index, reflecting changes in  
10 condition as expenditures are made.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** (1) The state finance committee is  
12 authorized to prescribe the form, terms, conditions, and covenants of  
13 the bonds provided for in this chapter, the time or times of sale of  
14 all or any portion of them, and the conditions and manner of their  
15 sale and issuance.

16 (2) Bonds issued under this chapter shall state that they are a  
17 general obligation of the state of Washington, shall pledge the full  
18 faith and credit of the state to the payment of the principal thereof  
19 and the interest thereon, and shall contain an unconditional promise  
20 to pay the principal and interest as the same shall become due.

21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** (1) The proceeds from the sale of the  
22 bonds authorized in section 3 of this act shall be deposited in the  
23 Evans state parks preservation account created in section 13 of this  
24 act.

25 (2) The proceeds shall be used exclusively for the purposes  
26 identified in section 3 of this act and for the payment of the  
27 expenses incurred in connection with the sale and issuance of the  
28 bonds.

29 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** The legislature intends to use the  
30 proceeds from the sale of bonds issued under this chapter for the  
31 projects identified during the 2017-2019, 2019-2021, 2021-2023,  
32 2023-2025, and 2025-2027 biennia and for other projects that maintain  
33 access to commission property or facilities.

34 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** (1) The debt-limit general fund bond  
35 retirement account shall be used for the payment of the principal of  
36 and interest on the bonds authorized in this chapter.

1 (2) The state finance committee shall, on or before June 30th of  
2 each year, certify to the state treasurer the amount needed in the  
3 ensuing twelve months to meet the bond retirement and interest  
4 requirements on the bonds authorized in this chapter.

5 (3) On each date on which any interest or principal and interest  
6 payment is due on bonds issued under this chapter, the state  
7 treasurer shall withdraw from any general state revenues received in  
8 the state treasury and deposit in the debt-limit general fund bond  
9 retirement account an amount equal to the amount certified by the  
10 state finance committee to be due on the payment date.

11 (4) The owner and holder of each of the bonds or the trustee for  
12 the owner and holder of any of the bonds may by mandamus or other  
13 appropriate proceeding require the transfer and payment of funds as  
14 directed in this section.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** The bonds authorized by this chapter  
16 constitute a legal investment for all state funds or for funds under  
17 state control and all funds of municipal corporations.

18 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 11.** The legislature may provide additional  
19 means for raising moneys for the payment of the principal of and  
20 interest on the bonds authorized under this chapter, and section 10  
21 of this act shall not be deemed to provide an exclusive method for  
22 payment.

23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 12.** This chapter provides a complete,  
24 additional, and alternative method for accomplishing the purposes of  
25 this chapter and is supplemental and additional to powers conferred  
26 by other laws. The issuance of bonds under this chapter shall not be  
27 deemed to be the only method to fund projects under this chapter.

28 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 13.** The Evans state parks preservation  
29 account is created in the state treasury. Proceeds from the bonds  
30 issued under section 3 of this act must be deposited in the account.  
31 Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation.  
32 Expenditures from the account may be used only for those purposes  
33 identified in section 3 of this act.

34 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 14.** This act may be known and cited as the  
35 securing the future of Washington's state parks bonding act.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 15.**    If any provision of this act or its  
2 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the  
3 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other  
4 persons or circumstances is not affected.

5        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 16.**    Sections 1 through 14 of this act  
6 constitute a new chapter in Title 79A RCW."

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7        On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "commission;" strike the  
8 remainder of the title and insert "and adding a new chapter to Title  
9 79A RCW."

EFFECT: Adds an extra biennium for the effective time frame of  
the act and provides legislative oversight through reporting  
requirements of the state parks and recreation commission.

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