Washington State House of Representatives Office of Program Research

BILL ANALYSIS

Appropriations Committee

HB 2454

Brief Description: Allowing DNR to accept voluntary contributions.

Sponsors: Representatives Buck, Eickmeyer, Armstrong and Bush.

Brief Summary of Bill

• Authorizes the Department of Natural Resources to solicit and receive voluntary contributions for the operations and maintenance of public use and recreation facilities.

Hearing Date: 1/27/04

Staff: Alicia Paatsch (786-7178).

Background:

The park land trust revolving fund is administered by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and is non-appropriated but is subject to allotment. The fund is used for acquiring real property as replacement for the property transferred to the state parks and recreation commission in order to maintain the land base of the affected trusts.

Summary of Bill:

The DNR is authorized to solicit and receive voluntary contributions for the purpose of operating and maintaining public use and recreation facilities, including trails, managed by the department. The DNR may seek voluntary contributions from individuals and organizations for this purpose.

Voluntary contributions are deposited into the park land trust revolving fund and are not considered a fee for use of these facilities.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

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