

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## HB 2454

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As Reported By Senate Committee On:  
Parks, Fish & Wildlife, February 24, 2004

**Title:** An act relating to voluntary contributions to the park land trust revolving fund.

**Brief Description:** Allowing DNR to accept voluntary contributions.

**Sponsors:** Representatives Buck, Eickmeyer, Armstrong and Bush.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** Parks, Fish & Wildlife: 2/24/04 [DP].

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON PARKS, FISH & WILDLIFE

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators Oke, Chair; Sheahan, Vice Chair; Doumit, Jacobsen, Morton, Spanel and Swecker.

**Staff:** Vic Moon (786-7469)

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

**Testimony For:** This will help volunteers work on Department of Natural Resources campgrounds and trails and will be a very positive program for both the Olympic Peninsula area and hopefully for the whole state. Campgrounds provided by DNR are important for both local citizens and for tourists.

**Testimony Against:** None.

**Testified:** PRO: Representative Jim Buck, prime sponsor; Rob Kavanaugh, Eddie Armstrong, Washington State Horse Council; Deb Schieling, Tyler Mayfield, David Fisher, Boy Scouts of America; Bob Van Schoorl, DNR.