
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1138

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By House Committee on Fisheries, Ecology & Parks (originally sponsored by Representatives McIntire, Ericksen, Armstrong, Dunshee, Cooper, Anderson, O'Brien, Haigh, Kenney, Lantz, McDermott and Chase)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the state parks and outdoor recreation funding
2 task force; creating a new section; and providing an expiration date.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that the state
5 parks and outdoor recreation funding task force created in section 303,
6 chapter 371, Laws of 2002 requires additional time to evaluate the
7 services and funding needs for state parks and outdoor recreation
8 lands. The legislature recognizes that there are limited resources
9 available for managing these lands. The legislature intends to
10 continue the task force to complete the work initiated in 2002 and
11 develop additional recommendations for the 2004 legislative session.

12 (2) The state parks and outdoor recreation funding task force is
13 continued and is composed of the current fifteen members, four members
14 of the senate appointed by the president of the senate and to include
15 two members from each caucus, four members of the house of
16 representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of
17 representatives and to include two members from each caucus, three
18 members appointed by the governor and to include at least one
19 representative of a broad coalition of users of the state's parks and

1 outdoor recreation programs, one member appointed by the commissioner
2 of public lands, one member appointed by the chair of the fish and
3 wildlife commission, one member appointed by the chair of the state
4 parks and recreation commission, and one member appointed by the
5 interagency committee for outdoor recreation. An additional member
6 shall be appointed by an organization, selected by the chair and vice-
7 chair of the task force, that represents employees of the state parks
8 and recreation commission, the fish and wildlife commission, and the
9 department of natural resources. Any vacancies that might occur on the
10 task force must be filled by the original appointing authority. The
11 task force shall elect its own officers, be staffed by staff of the
12 legislature, and may appoint an advisory committee of additional
13 persons and organizations interested in the operation and funding of
14 state parks and outdoor recreation.

15 (3) The task force shall conduct a thorough evaluation of the
16 organizational structures and service delivery of the outdoor
17 recreation sites and programs managed by the state parks and recreation
18 commission, the department of fish and wildlife, and the department of
19 natural resources. The task force shall make recommendations to the
20 legislature by December 1, 2003, identifying priorities for managing
21 state parks and outdoor recreation lands and stable long-term funding
22 to adequately support those activities.

23 (4) This section expires April 1, 2004.

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