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

Brief Description: Continuing the state parks and outdoor recreation funding task force.

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(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/14/03)

Finds that the state parks and outdoor recreation funding task force created in section 303, chapter 371, Laws of 2002 requires additional time to evaluate the services and funding needs for state parks and outdoor recreation lands.

Recognizes that there are limited resources available for managing these lands.

Declares an intent to continue the task force to complete the work initiated in 2002 and develop additional recommendations for the 2004 legislative session.

Directs the task force to conduct a thorough evaluation of the organizational structures and service delivery of the outdoor recreation sites and programs managed by the state parks and recreation commission, the department of fish and wildlife, and the department of natural resources.

Requires the task force to make recommendations to the legislature by December 1, 2003, identifying priorities for managing state parks and outdoor recreation lands and stable long-term funding to adequately support those activities.

Expires April 1, 2004.