
HOUSE BILL 2826

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By Representatives Schoesler, Hatfield, Buck, Butler, Kessler and
Robertson

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1 AN ACT Relating to distribution of nonhighway vehicle funds; and
2 amending RCW 46.09.240.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.09.240 and 1991 c 363 s 122 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) After deducting administrative expenses and the expense of any
7 programs conducted under this chapter, the interagency committee for
8 outdoor recreation shall, at least once each year, distribute the funds
9 it receives under RCW 46.09.110 and 46.09.170 to state agencies,
10 counties, municipalities, federal agencies, nonprofit ORV
11 organizations, and Indian tribes. Funds distributed under this section
12 to nonprofit ORV organizations may be spent only for projects that
13 benefit ORV recreation facilities located on lands acquired in a land
14 exchange with a federal or state agency on or after December 3, 1964.

15 The committee shall adopt rules governing applications for funds
16 administered by the agency under this chapter and shall determine the
17 amount of money distributed to each applicant. Agencies receiving
18 funds under this chapter for capital purposes shall consider the
19 possibility of contracting with the state parks and recreation

1 commission, the department of natural resources, or other federal,
2 state, and local agencies to employ the youth development and
3 conservation corps or other youth crews in completing the project.

4 (2) The interagency committee shall require each applicant for land
5 acquisition or development funds under this section to conduct, before
6 submitting the application, a public hearing in the nearest town of
7 five hundred population or more, and publish notice of such hearing on
8 the same day of each week for two consecutive weeks as follows:

9 (a) In the newspaper of general circulation published nearest the
10 proposed project;

11 (b) In the newspaper having the largest circulation in the county
12 or counties where the proposed project is located; and

13 (c) If the proposed project is located in a county with a
14 population of less than forty thousand, the notice shall also be
15 published in the newspaper having the largest circulation published in
16 the nearest county that has a population of forty thousand or more.

17 (3) The notice shall state that the purpose of the hearing is to
18 solicit comments regarding an application being prepared for submission
19 to the interagency committee for outdoor recreation for acquisition or
20 development funds under the off-road and nonhighway vehicle program.
21 The applicant shall file notice of the hearing with the department of
22 ecology at the main office in Olympia and shall comply with the State
23 Environmental Policy Act, chapter 43.21C RCW. A written record and a
24 magnetic tape recording of the hearing shall be included in the
25 application.

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