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By Senator Jacobsen; by request of Parks and Recreation Commission

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1 AN ACT Relating to fees charged by the state parks and recreation
2 commission; and amending RCW 43.51.060.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.51.060 and 1995 c 211 s 3 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 The commission may:

7 (1) Make rules (~~and regulations~~) for the proper administration of
8 its duties;

9 (2) Accept any grants of funds made with or without a matching
10 requirement by the United States, or any agency thereof, for purposes
11 in keeping with the purposes of this chapter; accept gifts, bequests,
12 devises and endowments for purposes in keeping with such purposes;
13 enter into cooperative agreements with and provide for private
14 nonprofit groups to use state park property and facilities to raise
15 money to contribute gifts, grants, and support to the commission for
16 the purposes of this chapter. The commission may assist the nonprofit
17 group in a cooperative effort by providing necessary agency personnel
18 and services, if available. However, none of the moneys raised may
19 inure to the benefit of the nonprofit group, except in furtherance of

1 its purposes to benefit the commission as provided in this chapter.
2 The agency and the private nonprofit group shall agree on the nature of
3 any project to be supported by such gift or grant prior to the use of
4 any agency property or facilities for raising money. Any such gifts
5 may be in the form of recreational facilities developed or built in
6 part or in whole for public use on agency property, provided that the
7 facility is consistent with the purposes of the agency;

8 (3) Require certification by the commission of all parks and
9 recreation workers employed in state aided or state controlled
10 programs;

11 (4) Act jointly, when advisable, with the United States, any other
12 state agencies, institutions, departments, boards, or commissions in
13 order to carry out the objectives and responsibilities of this chapter;

14 (5) Grant franchises and easements for any legitimate purpose on
15 parks or parkways, for such terms and subject to such conditions and
16 considerations as the commission shall specify;

17 (6) Charge such fees for services, utilities, and use of facilities
18 as the commission shall deem proper. Pursuant to RCW 43.135.055, the
19 commission may increase fees in excess of the fiscal growth factor as
20 the commission deems necessary to correspond with market rates for
21 comparable services or to recover some or all of the costs of providing
22 the service;

23 (7) Enter into agreements whereby individuals or companies may rent
24 undeveloped parks or parkway land for grazing, agricultural, or mineral
25 development purposes upon such terms and conditions as the commission
26 shall deem proper, for a term not to exceed ten years;

27 (8) Determine the qualifications of and employ a director of parks
28 and recreation who shall receive a salary as fixed by the governor in
29 accordance with the provisions of RCW 43.03.040, and upon his
30 recommendation, a supervisor of recreation, and determine the
31 qualifications and salary of and employ such other persons as may be
32 needed to carry out the provisions hereof; and

33 (9) Without being limited to the powers hereinbefore enumerated,
34 the commission shall have such other powers as in the judgment of a
35 majority of its members are deemed necessary to effectuate the purposes
36 of this chapter: PROVIDED, That the commission shall not have power to

- 1 supervise directly any local park or recreation district, and no funds
- 2 shall be made available for such purpose.

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