

5775-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Parks, Fish & Wildlife (originally sponsored by Senators Oke, Doumit, Swecker, Carlson, McAuliffe, Rasmussen, Winsley, Regala, Brown, Prentice, Fairley, Schmidt, Kohl-Welles, Shin and Jacobsen)

Brief Description: Providing funding for state parks and outdoor recreation facilities.

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(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares it is the policy of the state to provide a dedicated source of funding for capital improvements and maintenance of state parks and outdoor recreation lands to protect the state's investment in these lands.

Creates the parks and outdoor recreation lands investment account in the state treasury. Money placed in the account includes tax receipts identified for this purpose under RCW 82.49.030, and any other money appropriated to the account by the legislature.

Provides that expenditures from the account may be used only for operation, maintenance, and capital improvements of state parks and outdoor recreation lands, and appropriated as follows: (1) Twenty percent to the department of fish and wildlife;

(2) Twenty percent to the department of natural resources; and

(3) Sixty percent to the state parks and recreation commission. The percentage appropriated to the state parks and recreation commission must be reduced by the estimated amount to be collected during the biennium from a vehicle parking permit.

Provides that an excise tax is imposed for the privilege of using a motor home, travel trailer, or camper in this state, except those exempt under this act.

Declares that the annual amount of the excise tax for a motor home, travel trailer, or camper in this act is eight-tenths of one percent of fair market value.