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1 AN ACT Relating to state park fees; and amending RCW 79A.05.070.

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

3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 79A.05.070 and 2003 c 186 s 1 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 The commission may:

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

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

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

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

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

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

16 (6) Charge such fees for services, utilities, and use of facilities
17 as the commission shall deem proper. The commission may not charge
18 fees for general park access or parking;

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

23 (8) Determine the qualifications of and employ a director of parks
24 and recreation who shall receive a salary as fixed by the governor in
25 accordance with the provisions of RCW 43.03.040 and determine the
26 qualifications and salary of and employ such other persons as may be
27 needed to carry out the provisions hereof; and

28 (9) Without being limited to the powers hereinbefore enumerated,
29 the commission shall have such other powers as in the judgment of a
30 majority of its members are deemed necessary to effectuate the purposes
31 of this chapter: PROVIDED, That the commission shall not have power to
32 supervise directly any local park or recreation district, and no funds
33 shall be made available for such purpose.

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