
**Agriculture & Natural Resources
Committee**

HB 1813

Brief Description: Changing the name of the interagency committee for outdoor recreation to the recreation and conservation funding board.

Sponsors: Representatives Kelley, Priest, Hunt, Dunshee, Hinkle, Condotta, Fromhold and Linville; by request of Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Renames the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation the "Recreation and Conservation Funding Board;" renames the Office of the Interagency Committee to the "Recreation and Conservation Office."

Hearing Date: 2/7/07

Staff: Jaclyn Ford (786-7339).

Background:

The Office of the Interagency Committee

The Office of the Interagency Committee (OIC) is tasked to oversee five different programs: the Salmon Recovery Funding Board, the Washington Biodiversity Council, the Governor's Monitoring Forum, the Invasive Species Council, and the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC). Approximately 11 grants are administered by the OIC (nine grants are through the IAC and two grants are through the Salmon Recovery Funding Board). The five programs under the OIC study various subjects relating to recreation and conservation, and each program reports their findings back to the Legislature.

The Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation

The IAC was established by voter initiative in 1964 [RCW 79A.25.005]. The IAC is composed of five citizens appointed by the Governor, as well as the directors or designees of the Department

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of Natural Resources, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the State Parks and Recreation Commission [RCW 79A.25.110]. The IAC mandate is to preserve, conserve, and enhance the state's recreational resources [RCW 79A.25.005].

Summary of Bill:

The IAC will now be named the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board. The OIC is renamed the Recreation and Conservation Office. The name changes have no impact on the validity of any contracts, agreements, or any other documents.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: This bill takes effect on July 1, 2007.