
HOUSE BILL 1712

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1 AN ACT Relating to requiring the state parks and recreation
2 commission to fully plan for potential future impacts at Saint Edward
3 state park; creating new sections; and providing an expiration date.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds Bastyr University, a
6 nonprofit, private university, is located adjacent to Saint Edward
7 state park. The legislature also recognizes the fact that Bastyr
8 University has recently adopted a twenty-five-year campus master plan
9 that outlines significant growth for the university over the next few
10 decades. Growth of both the university's enrollment and physical size
11 will have an impact on the neighboring Saint Edward state park. The
12 legislature finds that the state parks and recreation commission should
13 work with Bastyr University and complete necessary planning to address
14 the potential future impact on Saint Edward state park that may arise
15 from the planned expansion of Bastyr University.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) The state parks and recreation
17 commission shall initiate and complete an in-depth review and full
18 planning process to address the immediate and long-term potential

1 future impacts to Saint Edward state park arising from the planned
2 expansion of Bastyr University. The planning process must, at a
3 minimum, consider the impacts on:

- 4 (a) Traffic in and around the park, including all access roads;
- 5 (b) Emergency vehicle access;
- 6 (c) Parking in the park;
- 7 (d) The adequacy of the park's utilities;
- 8 (e) The impacts of increased use of the facilities, including the
9 swimming pool, the gymnasium, the sports field, the great lawn, and
10 hiking and biking trails; and
- 11 (f) The impacts of increased use on the flora and fauna of the
12 park.

13 (2) The review conducted under this section must also consider the
14 utility of and barriers to a cost-sharing agreement between the state
15 parks and recreation commission and Bastyr University to financially
16 aid the park in the execution of the plan developed under this section.

17 (3) The documents required by this section must be completed and
18 reported to the appropriate committees of the legislature by January 1,
19 2008. Prior to the final adoption of the required documents, the state
20 parks and recreation commission shall conduct at least one public
21 hearing on the draft documents in a community near Saint Edward state
22 park.

23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act expires July 31, 2008.

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