

**ESB 6034** - H AMD TO ENVI COMM AMD (H-4339.1/14) **850**  
By Representative Seaquist

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1 On page 6, after line 15 of the amendment, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** The legislature finds that the most  
3 beneficial partnership for Washington's state parks would be a  
4 partnership between the purchasers of discover passes and day-use  
5 permits and the general public through the state's general fund to  
6 provide adequate financial support for the state park system. To  
7 effectuate this partnership, a dollar to dollar match of sales of  
8 discover passes and day-use permits with general fund dollars is hereby  
9 created.

10 **Sec. 11.** RCW 79A.05.215 and 2013 2nd sp.s. c 15 s 7 are each  
11 amended to read as follows:

12 The state parks renewal and stewardship account is created in the  
13 state treasury. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, all  
14 receipts from user fees, concessions, leases, donations collected under  
15 RCW 46.16A.090(3), and other state park-based activities shall be  
16 deposited into the account. The proceeds from the recreation access  
17 pass account created in RCW 79A.80.090, the transfers from the state  
18 general fund pursuant to section 14 of this act, and amounts received  
19 under RCW 82.19.040 may only be used for the purpose of operating and  
20 maintaining state parks. Expenditures from the account may be used for  
21 operating state parks, developing and renovating park facilities,  
22 undertaking deferred maintenance, enhancing park stewardship, and other  
23 state park purposes. Expenditures from the account may be made only  
24 after appropriation by the legislature.

25 **Sec. 12.** RCW 79A.05.215 and 2011 c 320 s 22 are each amended to  
26 read as follows:

27 The state parks renewal and stewardship account is created in the  
28 state treasury. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, all

1 receipts from user fees, concessions, leases, donations collected under  
2 RCW 46.16A.090(3), and other state park-based activities shall be  
3 deposited into the account. The proceeds from the recreation access  
4 pass account created in RCW 79A.80.090 and the transfers from the state  
5 general fund pursuant to section 14 of this act must be used for the  
6 purpose of operating and maintaining state parks. Expenditures from  
7 the account may be used for operating state parks, developing and  
8 renovating park facilities, undertaking deferred maintenance, enhancing  
9 park stewardship, and other state park purposes. Expenditures from the  
10 account may be made only after appropriation by the legislature.

11 **Sec. 13.** RCW 79A.80.090 and 2011 c 320 s 10 are each amended to  
12 read as follows:

13 (1) The recreation access pass account is created in the state  
14 treasury. All moneys received from the sale of discover passes and  
15 day-use permits must be deposited into the account.

16 (2) Each fiscal biennium, the first seventy-one million dollars in  
17 revenue from the sales of discover passes and day-use permits must be  
18 distributed to the agencies in the following manner:

19 (a) Eight percent to the department of fish and wildlife and  
20 deposited into the state wildlife account created in RCW 77.12.170;

21 (b) Eight percent to the department of natural resources and  
22 deposited into the park land trust revolving fund created in RCW  
23 43.30.385; and

24 (c) Eighty-four percent to the state parks and recreation  
25 commission and deposited into the state parks renewal and stewardship  
26 account created in RCW 79A.05.215.

27 (3) Each fiscal biennium, revenues in excess of seventy-one million  
28 dollars must be distributed equally among the agencies to the accounts  
29 identified in subsection (2) of this section.

30 (4) Revenues transferred to the account from the state general fund  
31 pursuant to section 14 of this act must be distributed in the same  
32 proportion as discover pass and day-use permit sales revenue is  
33 distributed pursuant to subsection (2) of this section.

34 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 14.** A new section is added to chapter 79A.80  
35 RCW to read as follows:

36 On September 1, 2015, and on September 1st of each subsequent year,

1 the state treasurer shall transfer from the state general fund to the  
2 recreation access pass account created in RCW 79A.80.090 an amount  
3 equal to the sales of discover passes and day-use permits during the  
4 immediately preceding fiscal year. These general fund matching funds  
5 must be distributed to the department of fish and wildlife, the  
6 department of natural resources, and the state parks and recreation  
7 commission in the same manner and in the same proportions as the sales  
8 revenues would be distributed as provided in RCW 79A.80.090.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 15.** Section 11 of this act expires June 30,  
10 2017.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 16.** Section 12 of this act takes effect June  
12 30, 2017."

EFFECT: Requires an annual transfer from the General Fund to the recreation access pass account of an amount equal to the previous year's sales of discover passes and day-use permits beginning September 1, 2015. Directs that these matching funds from the General Fund be distributed to State Parks, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the Department of Natural Resources in the same proportions as are deposits from discover pass and day-use permit sales.

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