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1 AN ACT Relating to notice required by the parks and recreation
2 commission; amending RCW 43.17.400 and 79A.05.179; and adding a new
3 section to chapter 79A.05 RCW.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.17.400 and 2007 c 62 s 2 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this
8 section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

9 (a) "Disposition" means sales, exchanges, or other actions
10 resulting in a transfer of land ownership.

11 (b) "State agencies" includes:

12 (i) The department of natural resources established in chapter
13 43.30 RCW;

14 (ii) The department of fish and wildlife established in chapter
15 43.300 RCW;

16 (iii) The department of transportation established in chapter 47.01
17 RCW;

18 (iv) The parks and recreation commission established in chapter
19 79A.05 RCW; and

1 (v) The department of (~~general administration~~) enterprise
2 services established in this chapter.

3 (2) State agencies proposing disposition of state-owned land must
4 provide written notice of the proposed disposition to the legislative
5 authorities of the counties, cities, and towns in which the land is
6 located at least sixty days before entering into the disposition
7 agreement.

8 (3) In addition to the requirements of subsection (2) of this
9 section, the parks and recreation commission must provide written
10 notice to any port district, park and recreation district, or other
11 municipal corporation that is authorized to acquire or improve public
12 outdoor recreation land in which the land is located at least sixty
13 days before entering into the disposition agreement.

14 (4) The requirements of this section are in addition and
15 supplemental to other requirements of the laws of this state.

16 **Sec. 2.** RCW 79A.05.179 and 2007 c 62 s 11 are each amended to read
17 as follows:

18 Actions under this chapter are subject to the notification
19 requirements of RCW 43.17.400. Any entity entitled to written notice
20 may request in writing to enter into negotiations with the commission
21 in regard to the proposed disposition of lands owned by the commission.
22 The commission must respond to any request before entering into any
23 disposition agreement, if the request is received within thirty days
24 after the notice is provided.

25 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 79A.05 RCW
26 to read as follows:

27 (1) Before the commission may close or otherwise cease management
28 operations in any state park for more than a consecutive twelve-month
29 period or for an unspecified period, the commission must provide
30 written notice to any public body in which the park is located within
31 sixty days of initiating the proposed action. Any public body entitled
32 to notice may request to enter into negotiations with the commission
33 for a management agreement regarding the park. The commission must
34 respond to any request before initiating the proposed action, if the
35 request is received within thirty days after the notice is provided.

1 (2) Any management agreement entered into pursuant to this section
2 must require that, if the land is not used for outdoor recreation
3 purposes, management responsibilities revert to the commission.

4 (3) For the purposes of this section, "public body" includes any
5 county, city, town, port district, park and recreation district, or
6 other municipal corporation that is authorized to acquire or improve
7 public outdoor recreation land.

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