
SENATE BILL 5410

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By Senators C. Anderson, Rasmussen, Gaspard, Newhouse, Snyder, Bauer, Kohl, Pelz, Fraser, Sellar, Wood and Roach

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1 AN ACT Relating to the Washington park arboretum; and adding a new
2 section to chapter 1.20 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 1.20 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 The legislature finds that the arboreta in this state act as living
7 museums devoted to the display and conservation of woody plant species
8 from around the world that can grow in the Pacific Northwest. Arboreta
9 enhance public appreciation for the aesthetic diversity of temperate
10 woody plants, conserve both natural and cultivated woody plant taxa to
11 preserve their diversity for future appreciation, educate the public
12 and students concerning urban landscape use and the natural biology of
13 temperate woody plants, and cooperate with similar institutions in this
14 state and around the world in achieving these common goals.

15 The Washington park arboretum, formerly known as the University of
16 Washington arboretum, is one of the chief centers for accurate
17 botanical and gardening information on the Pacific coast. The two
18 hundred-acre arboretum is run in a cooperative effort by the city of
19 Seattle and the University of Washington and is devoted to the display

1 and conservation of plants from around the world that can grow in the
2 Pacific Northwest. The legislature finds that it is fitting and proper
3 to recognize the importance of the overall mission of the Washington
4 park arboretum and declares that the Washington park arboretum is an
5 official arboretum of the state of Washington.

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