
SENATE BILL 6366

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By Senators McAuliffe, Fairley, Rasmussen, and Murray

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1 AN ACT Relating to the future of the seminary building at Saint
2 Edward state park; creating a new section; and making an appropriation.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) There is created the Saint Edward
5 seminary building future uses assessment committee. The purpose of the
6 committee is solely to conduct an assessment of and make
7 recommendations regarding the future uses of the seminary building at
8 Saint Edward state park, consistent with the criteria and procedures
9 provided in this section.

10 (2) The committee is composed of the following members:

11 (a) A representative of the state parks and recreation commission,
12 selected by the director of parks and recreation;

13 (b) A representative of the city of Kenmore, selected by the city;

14 (c) A representative of King county, selected by the county;

15 (d) A member having experience and expertise in major building
16 rehabilitation and reuse projects, selected by the governor;

17 (e) A member representing historic preservation interests, selected
18 by the King county executive;

1 (f) The chair of the new Saint Edward citizen advisory committee,
2 created following authorization by the state parks and recreation
3 commission at its September 2007 meeting;

4 (g) A member representing neighborhoods surrounding Saint Edward
5 state park, selected by the governor; and

6 (h) A representative of the governor, selected by the governor.

7 (3) The governor's representative serves as chair of the committee.
8 The governor may solicit and consider recommendations from interested
9 citizens and organizations in making the selections.

10 (4) The state parks and recreation commission shall provide staff
11 to the committee to assist in carrying out the committee's
12 responsibilities under this section. The parks and recreation
13 commission shall also make available previous assessments, reports, and
14 proposals regarding future uses of the seminary building, and cooperate
15 with the committee in all respects in fulfilling the requirements of
16 this section.

17 (5) The chair shall convene the committee by July 1, 2008, and
18 schedule meetings periodically as necessary to meet the deadlines
19 established in this section. The committee may enter contracts to
20 assist in the preparation of the assessment required under this
21 section.

22 (6) The committee shall prepare an assessment of the Saint Edward
23 seminary building that includes:

24 (a) A summary of the current condition of the building and
25 immediate grounds;

26 (b) A summary of the previous proposals submitted to the state
27 parks and recreation commission for future uses of the building, as
28 well as proposals developed by the commission;

29 (c) Identification of potential future uses for institutional,
30 residential, commercial, or mixed uses, including an identification of
31 projected capital and operating funds needed for the identified
32 alternative uses;

33 (d) Opportunities to bring private capital and expertise to the
34 building uses through public and private partnerships or other
35 arrangements;

36 (e) An assessment of road, parking, utility, and other
37 infrastructure improvements necessary to serve the seminary building

1 and other public uses of the state parks, including identification of
2 cost-sharing opportunities with Bastyr University for improvements that
3 would serve both the state park and the university;

4 (f) An assessment of how proposed uses of the seminary building may
5 impact current park uses; and

6 (g) An assessment of whether the seminary building and immediate
7 grounds may be administered by another state agency or local government
8 more suitable to operating large scale uses in buildings.

9 (7) In conducting the assessment and developing recommendations,
10 the committee should be guided by the following criteria:

11 (a) The assessment should be limited to the seminary building and
12 immediate grounds and facilities necessary for a successful reuse of
13 the building;

14 (b) The proposed uses of the building should be consistent with the
15 management plan previously approved by the parks and recreation
16 commission for the remaining areas of the state park, and to the extent
17 practicable should be consistent with state parks use principles for
18 the seminary building;

19 (c) The proposed uses should preserve the historic features of the
20 building while employing recognized adaptive reuse techniques for
21 historic structures, whether preservation, rehabilitation, restoration,
22 or reconstruction;

23 (d) The proposed uses of the building must be compatible with
24 public park uses of the state park and meet the requirements
25 established when federal funds were provided for the acquisition of the
26 park; and

27 (e) The future uses of the building should be substantially self-
28 supporting, and necessary improvements and rehabilitation should be
29 integrated with the future uses in a manner that may attract
30 substantial nonstate funding.

31 (8) The assessment must be provided to the governor, the parks and
32 recreation commission, and the fiscal and policy committees of the
33 senate and house of representatives by November 1, 2008.

34 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The sum of seventy-five thousand dollars, or
35 as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the fiscal

1 year ending June 30, 2009, from the general fund to the state parks and
2 recreation commission for the purposes of this act.

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