

Statutes, be amended by adding thereto a new section to immediately precede section 89, to be known as section 88-A.

Section 88-A. No election in any unit referred to in sections 82 to 88, inclusive, upon the question of whether the sale of liquor shall be permitted within the boundaries of such unit shall be held at the same time as an election is held in the same unit upon the question of whether the sale of liquor under the provisions of section 83-A shall be permitted. In the event valid and sufficient petitions are filed which would otherwise place both questions on the same ballot that question upon which the petition was filed with the County Auditor first shall be placed on the ballot to the exclusion of the other.

Restriction on number of questions on same ballot.

Passed the Senate February 26, 1949.

Passed the House March 7, 1949.

Approved by the Governor March 16, 1949.

CHAPTER 94.

[S. B. 6.]

COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.

AN ACT relating to county parks and recreation; providing for acquisition, improvement and maintenance by counties of parks, playgrounds and recreational facilities; authorizing county public recreation programs; authorizing the establishment of County Park and Recreation Boards; defining the duties and powers of such Boards; authorizing certain contracts between counties and other municipal corporations and governmental and private agencies; and repealing certain statutes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. Counties may establish park and playground systems for public recreational purposes, and for such purposes shall have power to acquire lands, buildings and other facilities by gift, purchase, lease, devise and bequest.

Counties may establish parks and playgrounds.

Programs
of public
recreation.

SEC. 2. Counties may conduct programs of public recreation, and in any such program property or facilities owned by any individual, group or organization, whether public or private, may be utilized by consent of the owner.

County
Park and
Recreation
Board.

SEC. 3. Each county may form a County Park and Recreation Board composed of seven (7) members, of whom one shall be the County Superintendent of Schools and the remainder shall be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners to serve without compensation.

Terms of
office of
members.

SEC. 4. For the appointive positions on the County Park and Recreation Board the initial terms shall be two years for two positions, four years for two positions, and six years for the remaining two positions plus the period in each instance to the next following June thirtieth; thereafter the term for each appointive position shall be six years and shall end on June thirtieth.

Removal of
members.

SEC. 5. Any appointed County Park and Recreation Board member may be removed by a majority vote of the Board of County Commissioners either for cause or upon the joint written recommendation of five members of the County Park and Recreation Board. Vacancies on the County Park and Recreation Board shall be filled by appointment, made by the Board of County Commissioners for the unexpired portions of the terms vacated.

Powers and
duties of
board.

SEC. 6. The County Park and Recreation Board:

(1) Shall elect its officers, including a chairman, vice-chairman and secretary, and such other officers as it may determine it requires.

(2) Shall hold regular public meetings at least monthly.

(3) Shall adopt rules for transaction of business and shall keep a written record of its meetings, reso-

lutions, transactions, findings and determinations, which record shall be a public record.

(4) Shall initiate, direct and administer county recreational activities, and shall select and employ a County Park and Recreation Superintendent and such other properly qualified employees as it may deem desirable.

(5) Shall improve, operate and maintain parks, playgrounds and other recreational facilities, together with all structures and equipment useful in connection therewith, and may recommend to the Board of County Commissioners acquisition of real property.

(6) Shall promulgate and enforce reasonable rules and regulations deemed necessary in the operation of parks, playgrounds and other recreational facilities, and may recommend to the Board of County Commissioners adoption of any rules or regulations requiring enforcement by legal process which relate to parks, playgrounds or other recreational facilities.

(7) Shall each year submit to the Board of County Commissioners for approval a proposed budget for the following year in the manner provided by law for the preparation and submission of budgets by elective or appointive county officials.

(8) May, subject to the approval of the Board of County Commissioners, enter into contracts with any other municipal corporation, governmental or private agency for the conduct of park and recreational programs.

SEC. 7. In counties in which County Park and Recreation Boards are formed, a County Park and Recreation Fund shall be established. Into this Fund shall be placed the allocation as the Board of County Commissioners which it annually appropriates thereto, together with miscellaneous revenues derived from the operation of parks, playgrounds and other recreational facilities, as well as grants, gifts and be-

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quests for park or recreational purposes. All expenditures shall be disbursed from this Fund by the County Park and Recreation Board, and all balances remaining in this Fund at the end of any year shall be carried over in such Fund to the succeeding year.

Penalty for violations.

SEC. 8. Any person violating any rules or regulations adopted by the Board of County Commissioners relating to parks, playgrounds or other recreational facilities shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Partial invalidity.

SEC. 9. If any provision of this act, or the operation of such provision, should be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions of this act or their operation, unless dependent for their effect or operation upon the provision held invalid, and then only to the extent of such dependency, and for such purpose the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

Repealing clause.

SEC. 10. Chapter 34, Laws of 1937, is hereby repealed.

Passed the Senate March 8, 1949.

Passed the House March 5, 1949.

Approved by the Governor March 16, 1949.

CHAPTER 95.

[S. B. 158.]

WASHINGTON HISTORIC SITES AND
MARKERS COMMISSION.

AN ACT relating to historic sites and markers; and creating a Washington State Historic Sites and Markers Commission.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Washington
Historic Sites
and Markers
Commission.

SECTION 1. A Washington Historic Sites and Markers Commission is created, to be composed of the Director of Highways, Director of the Eastern