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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO. _____

State parks-boundaries.

Sponsored by: Joint Travel, Recreation, Wildlife and
Cultural Resources Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to state parks and historic sites;
2 requiring legal descriptions by rule; repealing statutory
3 legal descriptions; and providing for an effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 36-8-302, 36-8-501 by creating a new
8 subsection (c), 36-8-601(a), 36-8-701(a), 36-8-801(a),
9 36-8-902(a), 36-8-1001(a) and (c) are amended to read:

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11 **36-8-302. Name of park.**

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1 From and after the passage of this act, the land ~~which was~~
2 ~~granted to the state of Wyoming by act of congress of 1897,~~
3 ~~which ceded to the state of Wyoming, one (1) square mile of~~
4 ~~land,~~ managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 in the
5 northeast portion of the Shoshone Indian Reservation, upon
6 which is located the Big Horn Hot Springs, is hereby
7 declared to be and shall hereafter be known as the "Hot
8 Springs State Park". The department shall by rule specify
9 the legal description of the state park.

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12 ARTICLE 5 - OLD SOUTH PASS CITY HISTORICAL SITE

13 **36-8-501. Old South Pass City Historical Site.**

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15 (c) The state-owned lands in Fremont County managed
16 by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Old South Pass City
17 are designated as the Old South Pass City Historic Site.
18 The department shall by rule specify the legal description
19 of the historical site.

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21 **36-8-601. Declaration of Curt Gowdy state park.**

(a) The lands in Laramie and Albany counties managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 and known as the Granite Reservoir, Crystal Reservoir and Upper North Crow Reservoir areas ~~described as follows~~ are hereby declared to be a state park. The department shall by rule specify the legal description of the state park.

36-8-701. Declaration of Sinks Canyon State Park; disposal of land.

(a) The state owned lands in Fremont County managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 and known as Sinks Canyon ~~described as follows~~ are hereby declared to be a state park. The department shall by rule specify the legal description of the state park. ~~In township 32 north, range 100 west, 6th p.m., section 8: S1/2SE1/4, NE1/4SE1/4; section 9: NW1/4SW1/4; section 17: E1/2NW1/4; N1/2SW1/4; SW1/4SW1/4; W1/2NE1/4; section 18: NE1/4SE1/4; S1/2SE1/4; SE1/4SW1/4, containing 600 acres, more or less.~~

36-8-801. Declaration of area as state park; administration; safety facilities.

1 (a) The lands in Carbon county managed by the
2 department as of July 1, 2010 and known as the Fort Fred
3 Steele area ~~described as follows~~ are hereby declared to be
4 a historical state park. The department shall by rule
5 specify the legal description of the state park.+

7 **36-8-902. Designation of lands as Bear River State**
8 **Park; park administration and operation.**

10 (a) The state-owned lands in Uinta county ~~described~~
11 ~~as follows~~ managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 are
12 designated as the Bear River State Park. The department
13 shall by rule specify the legal description of the state
14 park. ~~In Township 15 North, Range 120 West, 6th P.M.,~~
15 ~~Section 22: N1/2 SE1/4, SE1/4 SE1/4, that portion of S1/2~~
16 ~~NE1/4 lying south of the Interstate 80 highway~~
17 ~~right of way; that portion of SW1/4 SE1/4 and E1/2 SW1/4~~
18 ~~lying northeast of a line described as follows: beginning~~
19 ~~at a point on the south line of Section 22 which is 42.30~~
20 ~~chains east of the southwest corner of Section 22, then~~
21 ~~running North 21°15' West 11.20 chains to a point, and then~~
22 ~~running North 27° West 43.50 chains, more or less, to a~~
23 ~~point where the line intersects the west line of SE1/4~~

~~NW1/4 of Section 22; and that portion of SE1/4 NW1/4 lying northeast of the above described line and south of the Interstate 80 highway right of way; containing 280 acres, more or less. Effective no later than May 1, 1997, pursuant to a conveyance of state owned lands from the Wyoming state hospital to the department of commerce, the state owned lands in Uinta county described as follows shall be designated as part of the Bear River State Park: within Section 26, Township 15 N. Range 120 W., 6th Principal Meridian, Uinta County, Wyoming described to wit: NW1/4 OF NW 1/4 of the NW1/4 of said Section 26; containing 10 acres, more or less.~~

(d) The department of state parks and cultural resources ~~is the successor agency to the department of commerce and the Wyoming recreation commission and~~ shall administer and operate the state park created by this section. ~~in accordance with the plan specified in W.S. 36-8-901(e) unless otherwise directed by the legislature.~~

36-8-1001. Wyoming Territorial Prison state park and state historic site.

(a) The state owned lands in Albany County ~~described~~
~~as follows~~ managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 and
known as the Wyoming Territorial Prison are declared to be
a state park and historical site. The department shall by
rule specify the legal description of the state park and
the state historical site.+

(c) The board of land commissioners shall not trade, sell or otherwise dispose of the lands described in ~~paragraph (a)(i)~~ paragraph (a) of this section without approval of the legislature.

Section 2. W.S. 36-8-501(a), 36-8-601(a)(i) through (v), 36-8-801(a)(i) through (iii), 36-8-901, 36-8-902(b) and (c), 36-8-1001(a)(i) and 36-8-1002(a) are repealed.

Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2010.

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