

Representative Steve Eliason proposes the following substitute bill:

UTAH STATE PARK AMENDMENTS

2021 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Steve Eliason

Senate Sponsor: David P. Hinkins

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill addresses the creation of Utahraptor State Park and Lost Creek State Park.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

▶ authorizes the Division of Parks and Recreation to use portions of the Dalton Wells area as a state park;

▶ provides that Utahraptor State Park shall be considered part of the state parks system;

▶ authorizes the Division of Parks and Recreation to enter into an agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation to use Lost Creek Reservoir as a state park; and

▶ provides that Lost Creek State Park shall be considered part of the state parks system when the division enters into an agreement with the bureau.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:



26 79-4-607, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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29 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

30 Section 1. Section **79-4-607** is enacted to read:

31 **79-4-607. Utahraptor State Park.**

32 (1) As used in this section, "Dalton Wells" means the land located in the area known as
33 Dalton Wells and fully described by the map and legal description on file with the division.

34 (2) The division may:

35 (a) receive donations of land or facilities in the Dalton Wells area for the creation of,
36 and inclusion within, Utahraptor State Park;

37 (b) engage in land transfers for land in the Dalton Wells area for inclusion in
38 Utahraptor State Park; or

39 (c) purchase land or facilities in the Dalton Wells area for inclusion in Utahraptor State
40 Park.

41 (3) Utahraptor State Park shall be included within the state park system.

42 (4) The division may not open Utahraptor State Park to the public for use as a state
43 park until the division has received sufficient funding from the State Building Board or from
44 the General Fund to provide for capital improvements and any necessary land acquisitions.

45 (5) Land acquisitions and capital investments will be made at the park in a way that
46 allows Utahraptor State Park to remain financially self-sustaining.

47 (6) Ongoing operations at Utahraptor State Park shall be funded through the Division
48 of Parks and Recreation's restricted fees account.

49 Section 2. Section **79-4-608** is enacted to read:

50 **79-4-608. Lost Creek State Park.**

51 (1) As used in this section, the "Lost Creek area" means the Lost Creek Reservoir and
52 certain land around the reservoir, fully described by the map and legal description on file with
53 the division.

54 (2) The division may enter into an agreement with the United States Bureau of
55 Reclamation to manage recreational operations at Lost Creek Reservoir and to use the Lost
56 Creek area as a state park.

57 (3) Upon the division entering into an agreement described in Subsection (2), the Lost
58 Creek area shall be included within the state park system as Lost Creek State Park.