

As Amended by House Committee

Session of 2018

SENATE BILL No. 331

By Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

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1 AN ACT concerning the department of wildlife, parks and tourism;  
2 relating to state parks; **establishing the Flint Hills advisory council**;  
3 designating Flint Hills trail state park and Little Jerusalem Badlands  
4 state park; amending K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 32-837 and repealing the  
5 existing section.

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7 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

8 **New Section 1. (a) There is hereby established the Flint Hills**  
9 **advisory council. The council shall study and assess the development,**  
10 **staffing, maintenance and promotion of the Flint Hills nature trail.**  
11 **The council shall report its findings and recommendations to the**  
12 **Kansas department of wildlife, parks and tourism on a quarterly**  
13 **basis.**

14 **(b) The Flint Hills advisory council shall consist of the following**  
15 **members:**

16 **(1) The Kansas house of representatives member who represents**  
17 **Kansas' 68<sup>th</sup> state house district, who shall serve as the chairperson of**  
18 **the Flint Hills advisory council;**

19 **(2) one county commissioner of Miami county, or the**  
20 **commissioner's designee, to be appointed by the board of county**  
21 **commissioners of Miami county;**

22 **(3) one resident of an incorporated city within Miami county to**  
23 **be appointed by the governing body of the county seat;**

24 **(4) one county commissioner of Franklin county, or the**  
25 **commissioner's designee, to be appointed by the board of county**  
26 **commissioners of Franklin county;**

27 **(5) one resident of an incorporated city within Franklin county to**  
28 **be appointed by the governing body of the county seat;**

29 **(6) one county commissioner of Osage county, or the**  
30 **commissioner's designee, to be appointed by the board of county**  
31 **commissioners of Osage county;**

32 **(7) one resident of an incorporated city within Osage county to be**  
33 **appointed by the governing body of the county seat;**

34 **(8) one county commissioner of Lyon county, or the**  
35 **commissioner's designee, to be appointed by the board of county**  
36 **commissioners of Lyon county;**

1       **(9) one resident of an incorporated city within Lyon county to be**  
2 **appointed by the governing body of the county seat;**

3       **(10) one county commissioner of Morris county, or the**  
4 **commissioner's designee, to be appointed by the board of county**  
5 **commissioners of Morris county;**

6       **(11) one resident of an incorporated city within Morris county to**  
7 **be appointed by the governing body of the county seat;**

8       **(12) one county commissioner of Dickinson county, or the**  
9 **commissioner's designee, to be appointed by the board of county**  
10 **commissioners of Dickinson county; and**

11       **(13) one resident of an incorporated city within Dickinson county**  
12 **to be appointed by the governing body of the county seat.**

13       **(c) (1) Members of the Flint Hills advisory council shall be**  
14 **appointed no later than August 1, 2018. Any vacancy in the**  
15 **membership of the council shall be filled by appointment in the same**  
16 **manner prescribed in this section for the original appointment.**

17       **(2) The council shall meet quarterly and at the call of the**  
18 **chairperson or upon the request of a majority of the council.**

19       **(d) The members of the Flint Hills advisory council shall be**  
20 **appointed for terms not to exceed three years and, with the exception**  
21 **of the chairperson, shall serve no more than two consecutive terms.**  
22 **The initial terms for the members will be staggered as follows:**

23       **(1) Members appointed in subsection (b)(2), (7), (8) and (13) shall**  
24 **serve for an initial term of one year;**

25       **(2) members appointed in subsection (b)(3), (4), (9) and (10) shall**  
26 **serve for an initial term of two years; and**

27       **(3) members appointed in subsection (b)(5), (6), (11) and (12)**  
28 **shall serve for an initial term of three years.**

29       **(e) Subject to approval by the legislative coordinating council,**  
30 **legislative members of the Flint Hills advisory council shall receive**  
31 **amounts provided in K.S.A. 75-3223(e), and amendments thereto.**

32       ~~Section 1.~~ **Sec. 2.** K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 32-837 is hereby amended to  
33 read as follows: 32-837. (a) The following parks have been designated as a  
34 part of the state park system: (1) Kanopolis-Mushroom Rock state park in  
35 Ellsworth county; (2) Cross Timbers state park at Toronto Lake in  
36 Woodson county; (3) Fall River state park in Greenwood county; (4) Cedar  
37 Bluff state park in Trego county; (5) Tuttle Creek state park in  
38 Pottawatomie and Riley counties; (6) Pomona state park in Osage county;  
39 (7) Cheney state park in Kingman and Reno counties; (8) Lake Crawford  
40 state park in Crawford county; (9) Lovewell state park in Jewell county;  
41 (10) Lake Meade state park in Meade county; (11) Prairie Dog state park  
42 in Norton county; (12) Webster state park in Rooks county; (13) Wilson  
43 state park in Russell county; (14) Milford state park in Geary county; (15)

1 Historic Lake Scott state park in Scott county; (16) Elk City state park in  
2 Montgomery county; (17) Perry state park in Jefferson county; (18) Glen  
3 Elder state park in Mitchell county; (19) El Dorado state park in Butler  
4 county; (20) Eisenhower state park in Osage county; (21) Clinton state  
5 park in Douglas and Shawnee counties; (22) Sand Hills state park in Reno  
6 county; (23) Hillsdale state park in Miami county; (24) Kaw River state  
7 park in Shawnee county; ~~and~~ (25) Prairie Spirit rail trail state park in  
8 Franklin, Anderson and Allen counties; (26) *Flint Hills trail state park in*  
9 *Miami, Franklin, Osage, Lyon, Morris and Dickinson counties; and (27)*  
10 *Little Jerusalem Badlands state park in Logan county.*

11 (b) No state park named in subsection (a) shall be removed from the  
12 state park system without legislative approval.

13 (c) The hours that Kaw River state park in Shawnee county is open to  
14 the public may be limited to those hours that parks of the city of Topeka  
15 are open, except that such state park shall be open at all hours for  
16 prescheduled events.

17 **(d) The requirements found in K.S.A. 65-171d(j)(2), and**  
18 **amendments thereto, shall not apply to subsection (a)(25) or (a)(26).**

19 Sec. ~~2~~ **3.** K.S.A. 2017 Supp. 32-837 is hereby repealed.

20 Sec. ~~3~~ **4.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
21 publication in the statute book.