

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 253

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A RESOLUTION regarding horseback riding opportunities
at Fall Creek Falls and South Cumberland
State Parks.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly wishes to expand the opportunities for horseback riding on the Cumberland Plateau; and

WHEREAS, there are currently some horse trails in Fall Creek Falls State Park; and

WHEREAS, the Natural Areas Preservation Act of 1971 provides a special level of protection for designated state natural areas; and

WHEREAS, portions of Fall Creek Falls State Park and portions of South Cumberland State Park are designated state natural areas; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that the Department of Environment and Conservation is urged to study the feasibility of developing more trails for horseback riding in those portions of Fall Creek Falls State Park and South Cumberland State Park that are not designated state natural areas, giving consideration to using existing resources and any available volunteer labor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Environment and Conservation is urged to implement any such proposals that it determines are feasible and consistent with the Department's mission to protect the resources under its charge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an enrolled copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Commissioner of Environment and Conservation.