WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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Introduced

Senate Bill 20

BY SENATOR BEACH

[Introduced January 13, 2016;

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources; and

then to the Committee on the Judiciary.]

- 1 A BILL to amend and reenact §20-1-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
- 2 to West Virginia state parks and state forests; and changing name of Coopers Rock State
- 3 Forest to Coopers Rock State Park.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

1 That §20-1-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and 2 reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 1. ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION.

§20-1-19. West Virginia state parks and state forests.

1 (a) The state parks of West Virginia are:

2 (1) Audra; (2) Babcock; (3) Beartown; (4) Beech Fork; (5) Berkeley Springs; (6) Blackwater 3 Falls; (7) Blennerhassett Island Historical; (8) Bluestone; (9) Cacapon Resort; (10) Camp Creek; 4 (11) Canaan Valley Resort; (12) Carnifex Ferry Battlefield; (13) Cass Scenic Railroad; (14) Cathedral; (15) Cedar Creek; (16) Chief Logan; (17) Droop Mountain Battlefield; (18) Fairfax 5 6 Stone Historical Monument; (19) Hawks Nest; (20) Holly River; (21) Little Beaver; (22) Lost River; 7 (23) Moncove Lake; (24) North Bend; (25) Pinnacle Rock; (26) Pipestem Resort; (27) Prickett's 8 Fort; (28) Stonewall Resort; (29) Tomlinson Run; (30) Tu-Endie-Wei (Point Pleasant Battle 9 Monument); (31) Twin Falls Resort; (32) Tygart Lake; (33) Valley Falls; (34) Watoga; and (35) 10 Waiters Smith Memorial.

11 (b) The state forests of West Virginia are:

(1) Cabwaylingo; (2) Calvin Price; (3) Camp Creek; (4) Coopers Rock <u>which shall be</u>
<u>designated and known as Coopers Rock State Park but remain under the Division of Forestry</u>; (5)
Greenbrier; (6) Kanawha; (7) Kumbrabow; (8) Panther Forest/WMA, consisting of approximately
twenty-six acres containing park facilities; and (9) Seneca.

(c) Neither the director nor any officer, employee or agent of the Division of Natural
Resources may close, change the name or the designated use of a state park or state forest
without statutory authorization.

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NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to change the name of Coopers Rock State Forest to Coopers Rock State Park without removing it from the Division of Forestry.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.