

HOUSE BILL No. 2623

By Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

Requested by Travis Lowe on behalf of Acorns Resort

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1 AN ACT concerning wildlife and parks; requiring the secretary of
2 commerce and the secretary of wildlife and parks to jointly conduct a
3 feasibility study regarding a potential state purchase of acorns resort
4 and the designation of such location as a state park or the incorporation
5 of such location into the existing Milford state park in Geary county;
6 requiring the secretary of commerce and the secretary of wildlife and
7 parks to submit and present a report on such feasibility study to the
8 legislature and the governor during the 2027 legislative session.

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

11 Section 1. (a) (1) The secretary of commerce and the secretary of
12 wildlife and parks shall jointly conduct a feasibility study regarding:

13 (A) A potential state purchase of acorns resort, located along Milford
14 lake, pursuant to K.S.A. 32-807, and amendments thereto; and

15 (B) the designation of such location as a state park pursuant to K.S.A.
16 32-837, and amendments thereto or the incorporation of such location into
17 the existing Milford state park in Geary county.

18 (2) The study shall consider developed assets, including, but not
19 limited to, facilities, infrastructure, economic impact statistics and any
20 other factors that may affect tourism at such location.

21 (b) The feasibility study shall be completed by January 1, 2027, and,
22 during the 2027 legislative session, the secretary of commerce and the
23 secretary of wildlife and parks, or designees thereof, shall submit and
24 present a joint report on such study, including the results and
25 recommendations derived therefrom to the house standing committee on
26 agriculture and natural resources, the house standing committee on
27 appropriations, the senate standing committee on agriculture and natural
28 resources, the senate standing committee on ways and means and the
29 governor.

30 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
31 publication in the statute book.