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# HOUSE BILL No. 1343

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 6-6-11-12.5.

**Synopsis:** Lake and river enhancement fund. Allows money in the lake and river enhancement fund to be used for control of exotic or invasive plants in rivers.

**Effective:** July 1, 2011.

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January 13, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 6-6-11-12.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011]: Sec. 12.5. (a) The lake and  
3 river enhancement fund is established and allocated for the following  
4 purposes:

- 5 (1) One-half (1/2) of the fund shall be used to pay costs incurred
- 6 by the department of natural resources in implementing the lake
- 7 and river enhancement projects required by IC 14-32-7-12(b)(7).
- 8 (2) One-half (1/2) of the fund shall be used by the department of
- 9 natural resources to pay for **any of the following:**

- 10 (A) **Projects to control exotic or invasive plants in rivers.**
- 11 (B) Lake projects, including projects to:

- 12 ~~(A)~~ (i) remove sediment; or
- 13 ~~(B)~~ (ii) control exotic or invasive plants or animals.

14 (b) The fund shall be administered by the director of the department  
15 of natural resources.

16 (c) Expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in  
17 the fund.



1           (d) The fund consists of the revenue from the lake and river  
2 enhancement fee paid by boat owners and deposited under section  
3 12(c)(1) of this chapter.  
4           (e) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert  
5 to the state general fund.  
6           (f) With the approval of the governor and the budget agency, the  
7 money in the fund allocated under subsection (a)(1) may be used to  
8 augment and supplement the funds appropriated for the implementation  
9 of lake and river enhancement projects required by  
10 IC 14-32-7-12(b)(7).

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