

# HOUSE BILL No. 1570

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 14-23-4-7.

**Synopsis:** Backcountry areas. Provides that backcountry areas of Yellowwood State Forest and Morgan-Monroe State Forest may not be developed in a manner that permits motorized access, sale of timber, or commercial activity.

**Effective:** July 1, 2011.

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January 20, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

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First Regular Session 117th General Assembly (2011)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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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 14-23-4-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2011]: **Sec. 7. (a) The general assembly finds:**  
4 (1) **that there are certain unique areas in Indiana's state**  
5 **forests that contain notable natural physical features in areas**  
6 **that permit only nonmotorized access;**  
7 (2) **that pristine forest areas provide unique recreational and**  
8 **ecological benefits to the citizens of Indiana; and**  
9 (3) **that these areas should be preserved for future**  
10 **generations.**  
11 (b) **Any area of Yellowwood State Forest and Morgan-Monroe**  
12 **State Forest that:**  
13 (1) **was designated, by the department or on maps prepared**  
14 **by the department before January 1, 2010, as a backcountry**  
15 **area; and**  
16 (2) **is contained within an area bordered by:**  
17 (A) **Low Gap Road on the west;**



1                   **(B) Downey Road on the north;**  
2                   **(C) Bear Creek Road on the east; and**  
3                   **(D) North Shore Drive on the south;**  
4                   **may not be developed in a manner that permits motorized access,**  
5                   **sale of timber, or commercial activity.**

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