

# SENATE BILL No. 394

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 14-12.

**Synopsis:** Bicentennial conservation fund. Establishes the bicentennial conservation fund to fund major conservation projects to celebrate 200 years of Indiana statehood. Makes an appropriation.

**Effective:** July 1, 2012.

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January 9, 2012, read first time and referred to Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources.

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Second Regular Session 117th General Assembly (2012)

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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 and to make an appropriation.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 14-12-1-14 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2012]: **Sec. 14. The foundation may transfer money in any fund  
4 held by the foundation to the bicentennial conservation fund  
5 established by IC 14-12-4-2 for the purposes of the bicentennial  
6 conservation fund.**

7 SECTION 2. IC 14-12-2-36 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
8 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
9 1, 2012]: **Sec. 36. The department, with the approval of the budget  
10 agency, may transfer money in an account in the fund to the  
11 bicentennial conservation fund established by IC 14-12-4-2 for the  
12 purposes of the bicentennial conservation fund.**

13 SECTION 3. IC 14-12-4 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS  
14 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
15 1, 2012]:

16 **Chapter 4. Bicentennial Conservation Fund**  
17 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the bicentennial**



1 conservation fund established by section 2 of this chapter.  
 2       **Sec. 2.** The bicentennial conservation fund is established as a  
 3 trust fund to celebrate two hundred (200) years of Indiana  
 4 statehood through the funding of major conservation projects in  
 5 Indiana.  
 6       **Sec. 3.** The budget agency shall administer the fund.  
 7       **Sec. 4.** The fund consists of the following:  
 8           (1) Appropriations made to the fund by the general assembly.  
 9           (2) Gifts of money to the fund or the proceeds from the sale of  
 10 gifts donated to the fund.  
 11           (3) Grants made to the fund or the foundation for the support  
 12 of the purposes of the fund.  
 13           (4) Interest earned on money in the fund.  
 14           (5) Any other money transferred to the fund.  
 15       **Sec. 5.** The expenses of administering this chapter shall be paid  
 16 from money in the fund.  
 17       **Sec. 6.** The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund  
 18 not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same  
 19 manner as other public funds are invested. Interest that accrues  
 20 from these investments shall be deposited in the fund. Money in the  
 21 fund is continuously appropriated for the purposes of the fund.  
 22       **Sec. 7.** An appropriation made by the general assembly to the  
 23 fund shall be allotted and allocated at the beginning of the fiscal  
 24 period for which the appropriation was made.  
 25       **Sec. 8.** Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does  
 26 not revert to the state general fund or any other fund.

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