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Chapter 5. Natural Resources Study Committee

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Creation; membership

Sec. 1. (a) The natural resources study committee is established. The committee consists of eight (8) members of the general assembly. The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint four (4) members of the house of representatives, not more than two (2) of whom shall be of the same political party, as members of the committee, and the president pro tempore of the senate shall appoint four (4) members of the senate, not more than two (2) of whom shall be of the same political party, as members of the committee.

(b) The terms of the members expire at the election of the general assembly next following the appointments, and any vacancy occurring shall be filled by the appointing authority for the unexpired term.

(Formerly: Acts 1963, c.166, s.1.) As amended by Acts 1977, P.L.5, SEC.1; P.L.4-1985, SEC.1.

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Meetings; chairman, appointment

Sec. 2. The committee shall meet on call of the chairman not later than thirty (30) days following adjournment of the first session of each general assembly to organize; thereafter it shall meet at such times as the chairman deems necessary. During the first regular session of each general assembly, the chairman shall be appointed by the speaker of the house and shall serve until the beginning of the second regular session of that general assembly when the chairman during the second regular session shall assume his duties after having been appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate.

(Formerly: Acts 1963, c.166, s.2.) As amended by Acts 1977, P.L.5, SEC.2.

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Duties

Sec. 3. The committee shall conduct a continuing study of the laws relating to the department of natural resources to the end that legislation may be proposed to better serve the citizens of Indiana. The committee shall especially direct its attention to consultations with representatives of the department of natural resources and citizens of Indiana for the purpose of proposing legislation to accomplish the following:

- (a) repeal of outmoded or unnecessary laws;
- (b) consolidation and restatement of existing laws;
- (c) improved coordination of state laws with federal laws; and
- (d) addition or amendment of laws that will further the purpose for which the department of natural resources was created.

Further, the committee shall advise and assist the department of natural resources in programming its activities and in developing a

long-range plan for land acquisition, capital improvement and development of facilities.

(Formerly: Acts 1963, c.166, s.3.) As amended by Acts 1977, P.L.5, SEC.3.

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Repealed

(Repealed by Acts 1978, P.L.6, SEC.36.)

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Compensation; expenses

Sec. 5. The members of the committee shall serve without compensation excepting that they shall be entitled to per diem for attendance at meetings and necessary travel allowance as provided by law for other legislative committees. The expenses of the committee shall be paid from funds appropriated to the legislative council.

(Formerly: Acts 1963, c.166, s.5.) As amended by Acts 1977, P.L.5, SEC.5.