

FINAL BILL REPORT

HB 1751

Synopsis as Enacted
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Brief Description: Modifying compensation of forest practices board members.

By Representatives Anderson and Reams.

House Committee on State Government
House Committee on Appropriations
Senate Committee on Natural Resources

Background: The Forest Practices Board is responsible for promulgating regulations relating to logging, reforestation, and other forest practices. The board consists of: the commissioner of public lands; the directors of the departments of Trade and Economic Development, Agriculture, and Ecology; an elected member of a county legislative authority; and six members of the general public. Members serve four year terms.

Forest Practice Board members who are neither public employees nor elected officials are compensated for their services. Currently, the Forest Practices Board is classified as a Class 3 compensation group. The rate of compensation in Class 3 for each day that a member attends an official meeting of the board or performs statutorily prescribed duties approved by the chair of the board is not more than \$50 per day.

Class 4 groups are compensated at a rate of not more than \$100 per day that services are rendered. Class 4 groups are characterized by having duties that are deemed by the Legislature as having overriding sensitivity and importance and by requiring service from its members that is normally in excess of 100 hours of meeting time per year.

Summary: The Forest Practices Board is reclassified for compensation purposes from a Class 3 to Class 4 group. The rate of compensation is raised from not more than \$50 per day to not more than \$100 per day.

Votes on Final Passage:

House	94	0
Senate	39	5

Effective: July 25, 1993