

HB 2579-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the director of fire protection to develop a statewide plan for prefire mitigation that will require coordination with local fire departments and the department of natural resources to develop individualized community-wide protection plans that include public education such as firewise, partnership building, and personal wildfire action plans in the event of a wildfire.

Requires the office of the state fire marshal to identify priority interface zones and work to develop a grant program to assist local jurisdictions in the voluntary adoption of the international wildland urban interface code.

Creates the wildfire prevention account.

Requires a city, county, or special purpose district, awarded grant funds for the mapping of wildland urban interface areas, to return the total amount awarded back to the wildfire prevention account if the international wildland urban interface code is not adopted within five years of the award.