

ORIGINAL HOUSE
BILL NO. 0291

ENROLLED ACT NO. 60, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2005 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to administration of government; providing for the appointment and oversight of the director of the office of state lands and investments and the appointment and oversight of the state forester as specified; modifying oversight of authority granted to the director and the state forester; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 9-2-2015(b), 36-2-108(a) and (b)(i) and 36-3-101 are amended to read:

9-2-2015. Office of state lands and investments; director appointed; structure.

(b) The administrative head of the office shall be a director appointed by the ~~governor~~board of land commissioners with the advice and consent of the senate. The director shall serve at the pleasure of the ~~governor~~board and may be removed by the governor or by the board, if four (4) members of the board vote in favor of removal, as provided in W.S. ~~9-1-202~~9-1-202(b).

36-2-108. Appointment of state forester; qualifications; duties.

(a) The ~~state board of land commissioners~~director shall appoint a state forester who shall be the administrative head of the Wyoming state forestry division of the office ~~of state lands and investments. He~~ and who shall serve at the pleasure of the ~~board~~director. ~~He~~The state forester shall have a bachelor's degree in forestry with not less than four (4) years experience in professional forestry work. The state forester shall, under the general supervision of the ~~board~~director, have

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direction of all forest interest and all matters pertaining to forestry within the jurisdiction of the state of Wyoming; and may, with approval of the ~~board~~director, appoint ~~such~~ assistants and employees as are necessary in executing the duties of his office.

(b) The state forester shall:

(i) Take ~~such~~ action ~~as may be~~ deemed necessary by the ~~state board of land commissioners~~director to protect forest, range and other rural resources from fire. This responsibility shall in no way diminish the responsibility or authority of local fire protection districts;

36-3-101. Appointment; term; salary; removal.

(a) There shall be a director of the office of state lands and investments, who shall be appointed by the ~~governor~~board by and with the consent of the state senate. The director's term of ~~his~~ office shall expire ~~at~~as provided by W.S. 28-12-103 after the end of the term of office of the governor during which he was appointed, unless sooner removed. ~~He~~The director shall receive an annual salary as provided by law, to be paid monthly by the state treasurer on the warrant of the state auditor. The governor or the board, if four (4) members of the board vote in favor of removal, may remove the director as provided in W.S. ~~9-1-202~~9-1-202 (b).

(b) Effective ~~July 1, 1979~~January 3, 2007, appointments and terms under this section shall be in accordance with W.S. 28-12-101 through 28-12-103, except that the board shall carry out the duties of the governor under those provisions for purposes of this section.

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Section 2. This act is effective January 1, 2007.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

Chief Clerk