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substitute to HB 129:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 12-6-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the 2 creation of the State Forestry Commission and the composition of such commission, so as 3 to add additional members; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to 4 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Code Section 12-6-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the creation of
the State Forestry Commission and the composition of such commission, is amended by
striking subsection (b) of said Code section in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the
following:

11 "(b) The commission shall be composed of five <u>seven</u> members. Three of the members 12 shall be owners, or representatives of owners, of 50 acres or more of forest land within the 13 State of Georgia and two members shall be manufacturers or processors of forest products, 14 or representatives thereof. The members of the commission shall be appointed by the 15 Governor and confirmed by the Senate and shall hold office until their successors are 16 appointed and qualified."

17 SECTION 2.

- 18This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2001.
- 19SECTION 3.
- 20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.