

House Bill 129

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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 reconstitute such commission and to add additional members; to provide for related  
4 matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

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

11 ~~"(b) The commission shall be composed of five members. Three of the members shall be~~  
12 ~~owners, or representatives of owners, of 50 acres or more of forest land within the State of~~  
13 ~~Georgia and two members shall be manufacturers or processors of forest products, or~~  
14 ~~representatives thereof. The~~ consist of one member from each congressional district in the  
15 state. The five members currently in office shall serve until December 31, 2001. The  
16 Governor shall appoint successors as provided in subsection (e) of this Code section, and  
17 each new member shall begin his or her term on January 1, 2002. All members of the  
18 commission shall be appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate and shall hold  
19 office until their successors are appointed and qualified."

20 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

21 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2001.

22 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 3.**

23 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.