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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 506, L.D. 1260, Bill, "An Act to Create the Wildlands Use Regulation Commission."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of that part designated "§681" (same in L.D. 1260) and inserting in place thereof the following:

'§681. Definitions

1. Access road. "Access road" shall include any way which is used by ordinary 2-wheel-drive passenger automobiles at some time during the year.
2. Remote lakes and ponds. A remote lake or pond is one no part of which lies within 300 feet of any access road.
3. Zoned area. Zoned area shall include all land within 300 feet of the traveled edge of any public road and within 300 feet of the normal shoreline of any lake or pond, except remote lakes and ponds. Zoned area shall include the surface of the waters of any lake or pond of less than 640 acres.
4. Scope. This chapter shall apply only to the unorganized territories and mainland plantations of the State.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of that part designated "§682" (same in L.D. 1260) and inserting in place thereof the following:

'§682. Wildlands Use Regulation Commission

There is created the Wildlands Use Regulation Commission, hereinafter in this chapter called the "commission". The commission shall consist of 3 permanent members: The Director of Parks and Recreation, the Forest Commissioner and the State Planning Officer; and 4 members serving staggered 4-year terms to be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council. The latter 4 members shall respectively represent the public, conservation interests, forest products industry interests and general landowner interests. The initial appointee to the commission representing the public shall be appointed for a one-year period; the initial appointee representing conservation interests shall be appointed for a 2-year period; the initial appointee representing forest product industry interests shall be appointed for a 3-year period; and the initial appointee representing general landowner interests shall be appointed for a 4-year period.'

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "§685" by striking out in the 2nd line of subsection 2 (same in L.D. 1260) the underlined words "or amendment"

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "§685" by striking out in the 2nd line of subsection 3 (first and 2nd lines in L.D. 1260) the underlined words "or amend the zoning ordinance"

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Further amend said Bill in that part designated "§685" by striking out in the first line of subsection 4 (same in L.D. 1260) the underlined words "or amendment"; and by adding at the end of said subsection 4 the following underlined paragraph:

'A. In any event, land in the zoned area used or held for forest products industry uses, if so stated by the owner thereof, shall at and during the option of the owner be zoned for such use. Nothing in this chapter or in any ordinance adopted shall in any way limit the right, method or manner of cutting or removing timber, or the erection of buildings or other structures used primarily for forest products industry purposes in the zoned area.'

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "§685" by inserting after subsection 4, a new subsection, as follows:

'4-A. Amendments. The commission may from time to time upon its own motion, or upon the application of the owner of land in a zoned area, amend such zoning ordinance as it applies to any subarea. Public hearing on any amendment shall be held after giving 3 weeks' notice in a similar manner as described in subsection 2, to all owners, in the case of a pond or lake, owning land on the shore thereof, or in the case of land on a public road, to all roadside owners within one mile of the parcel to be affected by such proposed amendment.'

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "§686" by inserting after the underlined word "bounds" in the 4th line of subsection 4 (same in L.D. 1260) the underlined punctuation and words ', or by leasing,'

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "§686" by striking out in the 2nd line of subsection 6 (first and 2nd lines in L.D. 1260) the underlined words and punctuation "shall be void,"

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