



House Bill 4111 (Substitute S-1 as reported)

Sponsor: Representative Bruce Rendon

House Committee: Natural Resources, Tourism, and Outdoor Recreation

Senate Committee: Outdoor Recreation and Tourism

CONTENT

The bill would amend Part 5 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, which governs the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), to authorize the DNR to appoint volunteers to facilitate its responsibilities under that part.

The bill also would allow a volunteer, subject to the DNR's direction, to use equipment and machinery necessary for the volunteer service, including equipment and machinery to improve wildlife habitat on State game areas.

The DNR's responsibilities under Part 5 include all of the following:

- Protecting and conserving the State's natural resources.
- Providing and developing facilities for outdoor recreation.
- Preventing the destruction of timber and other forest growth by fire or otherwise.
- Promoting the reforesting of forestland belonging to the State.
- Preventing and guarding against the pollution of lakes and streams within the State and enforcing all laws provided for that purpose with all authority granted by law.
- Fostering and encouraging the protection and propagation of game and fish.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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