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AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, article two-b, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to further amend said article by adding thereto a new section, designated section two-a, all relating to the wildlife endowment fund; providing for four additional citizen members to the wildlife endowment fund board; providing that no more than three citizen members may be from the same political party; and creating the Ohio river management fund advisory board to advise the wildlife endowment fund board with respect to the management and expenditures of the Ohio river management fund account within the wildlife endowment fund.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, article two-b, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted; and that said article be further amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section two-a, all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2B. WILDLIFE ENDOWMENT FUND.

§20-2B-2. Board created; composition.

1 The board of trustees of the wildlife endowment fund
2 of the division of natural resources, has full authority over
3 the administration of the wildlife endowment fund. The
4 chairman of the board is the director of the division of
5 natural resources and the members are the executive
6 secretary of the division, the division wildlife officer, the
7 chief of the wildlife resources section, the chief of the law-
8 enforcement section and six citizen members, to be
9 appointed by the governor. To the extent possible, the
10 governor shall appoint the citizen members to ensure an
11 equal geographic representation throughout the state and
12 their terms shall be staggered from the first day of July,
13 one thousand nine hundred ninety-nine. Existing citizen
14 members shall retain their appointed positions for a period
15 of two years from that date. Initial citizen appointments to
16 the board shall be as follows: Two citizen members shall
17 be appointed for a term of three years; two citizen
18 members shall be appointed for a term of four years; and
19 subsequent citizen member appointments to the board
20 shall be for a term of four years. No more than three
21 citizen members may be members of one political party.
22 The actual expenses of the citizen members, incurred in
23 the performance of their duties under this section are
24 payable from funds of the division. The state treasurer is
25 the custodian of the wildlife endowment fund and shall
26 invest its assets in accordance with the provisions of article
27 six, chapter twelve of this code.

§20-2B-2a. Ohio river management fund advisory board created; composition; responsibilities.

1 There is created an advisory board to the board of
2 trustees of the wildlife endowment fund, designated the
3 Ohio river management fund advisory board, which shall
4 be composed of the director of the division of natural
5 resources, the chief of the wildlife resources section of the
6 division and three citizen members to be appointed by the
7 governor. One citizen member shall be a resident of
8 Hancock, Brooke, Ohio or Marshall county; one citizen
9 member shall be a resident of Wetzel, Tyler, Pleasants or
10 Wood county; and one citizen member shall be a resident

11 of Jackson, Mason, Cabell or Wayne county. The actual
12 expenses of the citizen members incurred in the
13 performance of their duties under this section shall be
14 payable from the funds of the division. The advisory
15 board shall advise the wildlife endowment fund board with
16 respect to the management and expenditure of funds from
17 the Ohio river management fund account within the
18 wildlife endowment fund.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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Chairman Senate Committee

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Chairman House Committee

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within *dis approved* this the *20th*
day of *March*, 1998.

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Governor

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