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AN ACT to amend and reenact §19-1A-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to permitting the Director of the Division of Forestry to enter into stewardship contracts with the United States Forest Service; authorizing projects by written agreement or contract; and directing annual reports to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §19-1A-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 1A. DIVISION OF FORESTRY.

§19-1A-4. Additional duties of the Director of the Division of Forestry generally.

1 (a) The director shall:

2 (1) Develop, promote and advance the growth of the
3 forest products industries of this state;

4 (2) Cooperate with educational institutions, development
5 agencies and private and public organizations to promote the
6 expansion of the forest products industries of this state in
7 local and global markets;
(3) Conduct research on marketing and developing forest
products and forest products industries; conserving, manag-
ing and utilizing the state's forest land and its multiple uses;
and improving the forestry knowledge and practices of
private landowners; and

(4) Compile its findings and recommendations, and
disseminate the results of its research to the public, the
forest products industry, the Governor and the Legislature.

(b) The director has the power to carry out and effectuate
the purposes of this article, article one-b of this chapter and
article three of chapter twenty of this code, including the
power to:

(1) Accept and use gifts, donations or contributions from
individuals, organizations or corporations, and to acquire by
gift, lease or purchase real estate;

(2) Establish law-enforcement practices and procedures
to address the law-enforcement requirements of the division;

(3) To promulgate rules and regulations, subject to the
provisions of chapter twenty-nine-a of this code; and

(4) Enter into stewardship end-result contract projects
with the United States Forest Service by written agreement
or contract and submit an annual report to the Joint Com-
mittee on Government and Finance, no later than the first
day of October each year, specifying the locations of projects,
the amount of funding received, number of contracts and the
purpose of each contract.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

In effect ninety days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within act approved this the 30th Day of March, 2012.

Governor