

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SB 494

Relating to employment of forestry workers

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Capital Construction Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Girod

SB 494 appropriates \$229,154 General Fund to the Department of Administrative Services to conduct a classification and compensation study on forestry and wildland fire positions in state government.

The study must address any wage and management compression that would result from changes in classification and compensation. In addition, the study must identify the deficiencies in the span of control of the structure of the State Forestry Department and evaluate recommendations for addressing these deficiencies. The Department of Administrative Services is required to submit the report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources and wildfire by September 15, 2026.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee recommends SB 494 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.