

JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

March 11, 2025
3:00 PM

Hearing Room H-170

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Lew Frederick, Co-Chair
Sen. Dick Anderson
Sen. Chris Gorsek

Rep. Emerson Levy, Co-Chair
Rep. Vikki Breese-Iverson
Rep. Annessa Hartman
Rep. John Lively
Rep. Mark Owens

STAFF PRESENT:

April McDonald, Legislative Fiscal Office
Vivian Stair, Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS:

Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

00:00:25	Meeting Called to Order
00:00:26	Representative Levy, Presiding Co-Chair
00:00:34	April McDonald, Legislative Fiscal Office
00:01:05	SB 5521 Department of Forestry
00:01:25	Kate Skinner, Interim State Forester, Department of Forestry
00:02:35	James Short, Chief Financial Officer, Department of Forestry
00:12:22	Michael Curran, Fire Protection Division Chief, Department of Forestry
00:13:48	Kyle Williams, Deputy Director of Fire Operations, Department of Forestry
00:20:00	Rep. Owens
00:20:24	Mr. Williams
00:27:25	Rep. Owens
00:27:35	Mr. Williams
00:28:08	Rep. Owens
00:28:23	Mr. Williams
00:29:06	Rep. Owens
00:29:26	Mr. Williams
00:30:04	Rep. Owens
00:30:14	Mr. Williams
00:31:05	Rep. Lively
00:32:03	Sen. Gorsek

00:32:52 Mr. Williams
00:38:46 Rep. Lively
00:39:03 Mr. Williams
00:40:13 Josh Barnard, Forest Resources Division Chief, Department of Forestry
00:46:27 Sen. Anderson
00:46:58 Mr. Barnard
00:47:29 Sen. Anderson
00:47:54 Mr. Barnard
00:48:23 Co-Chair Levy
00:48:30 Mr. Barnard
00:48:52 Sen. Gorsek
00:49:00 Mr. Barnard
00:49:20 Co-Chair Frederick
00:49:31 Mr. Barnard
00:49:45 Co-Chair Frederick
00:49:59 Mr. Barnard
00:50:10 Co-Chair Frederick
00:50:32 Mr. Barnard
00:58:03 Rep. Lively
00:58:31 Mr. Barnard
00:59:05 Sen. Anderson
00:59:39 Mr. Barnard
01:00:42 Sen. Anderson
01:00:45 Mr. Barnard
01:00:57 Co-Chair Levy
01:01:17 Mr. Barnard
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01:02:03 Mr. Barnard
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01:02:32 Mr. Barnard
01:02:44 April McDonald, Legislative Fiscal Office
01:03:20 Co-Chair Levy
01:03:28 Mr. Barnard
01:03:42 Co-Chair Levy
01:03:46 Ms. McDonald
01:04:05 Sen. Gorsek
01:04:35 Mr. Barnard
01:05:39 Michael Wilson, State Forests Division Chief, Department of Forestry
01:12:45 Sen. Gorsek
01:13:03 Mr. Wilson
01:13:31 Rep. Owens
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01:17:57 Sen. Anderson
01:18:31 Mr. Wilson
01:20:23 Sen. Gorsek
01:20:42 Mr. Wilson
01:21:03 Co-Chair Levy
01:21:10 Mr. Wilson
01:31:14 Rep. Owens
01:31:27 Ms. McDonald

01:31:43 Meeting Adjourned