

HB 1711-S - DIGEST

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 2ND SUB)

Requires the department of natural resources to: (1) Develop and implement a policy for prioritizing investments on forest health treatments to protect state lands and state forestlands against losses from wildfire;

(2) Consistent with the policy, identify areas of public lands that would benefit from forest health treatments at the landscape level;

(3) In order to expedite initial treatments, prioritize and address lands for treatment that are currently identified by the department as pilot treatment projects; and

(4) Consult with and take into account the land management plans and activities of nearby landowners, including federal agencies, other state agencies, local governments, tribes, and private property owners.

Creates the forest health revolving account.