



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 6398

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE NORTHEASTERN FOREST FIRE PROTECTION AND ATLANTIC STATES MARINE FISHERIES COMMISSIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 23-54 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

3 There shall be three members, hereinafter called commissioners, of
4 the Northeastern Forest Fire Protection Commission, appointed by the
5 Governor. One of such commissioners shall be the State Forest Fire
6 Warden, the second shall be a member of the legislature, [who is also a
7 member of the Commission on Intergovernmental Cooperation,
8 designated by said commission,] and the third shall be a citizen of the
9 state designated by the Governor as his responsible representative to
10 serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The commissioners so appointed
11 shall be paid no compensation. They shall be reimbursed for necessary
12 expense incurred in the performance of their duties.

13 Sec. 2. Section 26-297 of the general statutes is repealed and the
14 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

15 In pursuance of Article III of said compact there shall be three
16 members, hereinafter called commissioners, of the Atlantic States
17 Marine Fisheries Commission, hereinafter called commission, from the

18 state of Connecticut. The first commissioner from the state of
 19 Connecticut shall be the Commissioner of Environmental Protection,
 20 ex officio. The second commissioner from the state of Connecticut shall
 21 be a legislator and a member of the [Commission on
 22 Intergovernmental Cooperation of the state of Connecticut] joint
 23 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
 24 matters relating to fisheries, ex officio, designated by said commission,
 25 and the term of any such ex-officio commissioner shall terminate at the
 26 time he ceases to hold said legislative office or said [office as
 27 commissioner on intergovernmental cooperation] membership on said
 28 joint standing committee of the General Assembly, and his successor as
 29 commissioner shall be named in like manner. The Governor shall
 30 appoint a citizen as a third commissioner who shall have a knowledge
 31 of and interest in the marine fisheries problem. The term of said
 32 commissioner shall be three years and he shall hold office until his
 33 successor is appointed and has qualified. Vacancies occurring in the
 34 office of such commissioner from any reason or cause shall be filled by
 35 appointment by the Governor for the unexpired term. The
 36 Commissioner of Environmental Protection as ex-officio commissioner
 37 may delegate, from time to time, to any deputy or other subordinate in
 38 his department or office, the power to be present and participate,
 39 including voting as his representative or substitute at any meeting of
 40 or hearing by or other proceeding of the commission. Any
 41 commissioner may be removed from office by the Governor upon
 42 charges and after a hearing.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	23-54
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	26-297

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