

1 DUSTRIAL FOREST OWNER, ONE MEMBER SHALL BE A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATE-
2 WIDE FOREST INDUSTRY ORGANIZATION, AND ONE MEMBER SHALL BE A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE FOREST LANDOWNERS ASSOCIATION. MEMBERS SHALL BE
3 APPOINTED FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS AND MAY SERVE UNTIL THEIR SUCCESSORS
4 ARE CHOSEN, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT OF THE MEMBERS FIRST APPOINTED,
5 THREE SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR, THREE SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM
6 OF TWO YEARS, AND FOUR SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS. THE GOVERNOR SHALL SELECT A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL TO SERVE AS CHAIRPERSON. COUNCIL MEMBERS SHALL NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION FOR THEIR SERVICES, BUT MAY
7 BE PAID THEIR ACTUAL AND NECESSARY EXPENSES INCURRED IN SERVING UPON THE
8 COUNCIL.

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10 2. THE COUNCIL SHALL WORK WITH WOOD-USING MANUFACTURERS TO INCREASE
11 THE ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTIONS AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES RELATED TO THE
12 PRACTICE OF FORESTRY AND MANUFACTURE OF WOOD PRODUCTS IN NEW YORK STATE.
13 THE COUNCIL SHALL GIVE PRIORITY TO INCREASING PRIVATE INVESTMENT IN
14 WORKING FORESTS; MAINTAINING ACCESS TO WORKING AND FAMILY FORESTS; COORDINATING POLICY AND PERMITTING ISSUES WITH STATE AGENCIES, ACADEMIA AND
15 THE PRIVATE SECTOR; WORKING TO IMPROVE PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING OF AND
16 APPRECIATION FOR FORESTRY AND FOREST PRODUCTS; AND INCREASING EXPORT AND
17 MARKET OPPORTUNITIES FOR NEW YORK FOREST PRODUCTS.

18 3. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE NECESSARY SUPPORT SERVICES TO THE
19 COUNCIL, INCLUDING, WITHIN FUNDS AVAILABLE, THE APPOINTMENT OF AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO COORDINATE THE WORK OF THE COUNCIL.

20 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.
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