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AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to forming a task force on interagency cooperation within the forest industry

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. The environmental conservation law is amended by adding a  
2     new section 9-0812 to read as follows:

3     S 9-0812. TASK FORCE ON INTERAGENCY COOPERATION IN THE FOREST INDUSTRY.

4     1. THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SHALL  
5     FORM A TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO INCREASE INTERAGENCY COOPERATION  
6     WITH RESPECT TO THE FOREST INDUSTRY.

7     2. THE TASK FORCE SHALL CONSIST OF SIX MEMBERS. THE TASK FORCE SHALL  
8     INCLUDE THE COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS OR HIS OR HER DESIG-  
9     NEE, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE NEW YORK STATE ENERGY RESEARCH  
10    AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE, TWO REPRESENTATIVES  
11    FROM THE NEW YORK STATE FORESTRY INDUSTRY TO BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVER-  
12    NOR, A REPRESENTATIVE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN A COUNTY LOCATED WITHIN THE  
13    CATSKILLS STATE PARK TO BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR, AND A REPRESENTATIVE  
14    OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN A COUNTY LOCATED WITHIN THE ADIRONDACK  
15    STATE PARK TO BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR. ALL MEMBERS SHALL BE  
16    APPOINTED WITHIN ONE HUNDRED TWENTY DAYS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS  
17    SECTION.

18    3. (A) THE TASK FORCE SHALL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO EXPAND THE  
19    ECONOMIC SUCCESS OF THOSE IN THE FORESTRY INDUSTRY.

20    (B) THE TASK FORCE SHALL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO INCREASE  
21    COMMUNICATION REGARDING THE FORESTRY INDUSTRY BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AGEN-  
22    CIES.

23    (C) THE TASK FORCE SHALL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO INCREASE  
24    COMMUNICATION REGARDING THE FORESTRY INDUSTRY BETWEEN THOSE ENGAGED IN  
25    FORESTRY AND RELEVANT AGENCIES AND AUTHORITIES OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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1       4. MEMBERS OF THE TASK FORCE SHALL SERVE FOR A PERIOD OF FOUR YEARS.  
2 ANY PREMATURE VACANCIES SHALL BE FILLED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEX-  
3 PIRED TERM.  
4       S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.