REQUESTING THAT THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STUDY THE CONSERVATION DISTRICTS.

WHEREAS, conservation districts were established to address the problems of erosion control and soil conservation by managing the land and water resources within the state; and

WHEREAS, the financial health, effectiveness, and efficiency of each conservation district is tantamount to the conservation district’s success in preserving the soil, grazing lands, and water resources within each district and across the state; and

WHEREAS, the identification of new and innovative ways to streamline and improve the effectiveness of the conservation districts’ efforts across the state would positively impact the protection, preservation, conservation, and proper utilization of renewable natural resources and would protect the public health, welfare, and safety of our state,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT PROPOSED BY THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

THAT the House Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic Development conduct an interim study of all conservation districts across the state to include without limitation a review of the financial health, effectiveness, efficiencies, and accomplishments of each conservation district and make recommendations to improve the effectiveness of the conservation districts.

BE IT FURTHER PROPOSED:

THAT the House Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic Development invite the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic Development to participate in the study.
Respectfully submitted,

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