

HOUSE AMENDMENT 2 TO HB1188.

by inserting an additional section immediately following Section 4 to read as follows:

"SECTION 5. For the biennium ending June 30, 1999, the sum of the appropriations for the Emergency Fire Trust Fund and the State Forest Trust Fund shall apply to the State Forestry Fund."

and

by appropriately renumbering the subsequent sections

and

by inserting an additional Section at the end of the bill

"SECTION 9. EMERGENCY CLAUSE.

It is hereby found and determined by the Eighty-First General Assembly that the consolidation of the Forestry Commission's Trust Funds is essential to be in force at the beginning of the state fiscal year and that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1997 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the trust funds in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1997 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs and would impede the Forestry Commission from complying with the policy of the State of Arkansas as set out in Arkansas Code § 19-4-509. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1997.