

## SENATE BILL No. 244

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### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 14-8-2-77; IC 14-14-3.

**Synopsis:** Division of outdoor recreation. Establishes responsibilities for the director of the division of outdoor recreation concerning the following: (1) Coordination of outdoor recreation policy. (2) Promotion of economic development. (3) Recommending to the governor and general assembly policies and initiatives to enhance recreational amenities and experiences in the state. (4) Preparation of an annual report on the economic, social, and community impact of the outdoor recreation industry across the state. (5) Developing strategies to increase the number of new jobs related to outdoor recreation and to address workforce issues.

**Effective:** July 1, 2019.

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January 3, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1       SECTION 1. IC 14-8-2-77, AS AMENDED BY P.L.167-2011,  
2       SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3       JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 77. "Division" has the following meaning:

4       (1) For purposes of IC 14-9-8, the meaning set forth in  
5       IC 14-9-8-2.

6       **(2) For purposes of IC 14-14-3, the meaning set forth in**  
7       **IC 14-14-3-1.**

8       ~~(2)~~ **(3)** For purposes of IC 14-21, the division of historic  
9       preservation and archeology.

10       ~~(3)~~ **(4)** For purposes of IC 14-22, the division of fish and wildlife.

11       ~~(4)~~ **(5)** For purposes of IC 14-24, the division of entomology and  
12       plant pathology.

13       ~~(5)~~ **(6)** For purposes of IC 14-25.5, the division of water.

14       ~~(6)~~ **(7)** For purposes of IC 14-31-2, the meaning set forth in  
15       IC 14-31-2-4.

16       ~~(7)~~ **(8)** For purposes of IC 14-32, the division of soil conservation  
17       of the Indiana state department of agriculture established by



1 IC 15-11-4-1.

2 ~~(8)~~ **(9)** For purposes of IC 14-37, the division of oil and gas.

3 SECTION 2. IC 14-14-3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS  
4 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
5 1, 2019]:

6 **Chapter 3. Division of Outdoor Recreation**

7 **Sec. 1.** As used in this chapter, "division" refers to the division  
8 of outdoor recreation.

9 **Sec. 2.** The director of the division shall do the following:

10 (1) Coordinate outdoor recreation policy, management, and  
11 promotion.

12 (2) Promote economic development by coordinating with  
13 individuals or entities involved in the outdoor recreation  
14 industry to:

15 (A) improve the state's outdoor recreation activities; and

16 (B) cultivate outdoor recreation businesses.

17 (3) Recommend to the governor and general assembly policies  
18 and initiatives to enhance recreational amenities and  
19 experiences in the state and help implement those policies and  
20 initiatives.

21 (4) Prepare an annual report on the economic, social, and  
22 community impact of the outdoor recreation industry across  
23 the state.

24 (5) Develop strategies to increase the number of new jobs  
25 directly or indirectly related to outdoor recreation and to  
26 address workforce issues.

27 **Sec. 3.** The director of the division's responsibilities described  
28 in section 2 of this chapter are in addition to any of the director's  
29 responsibilities under any other law.

