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Resolution #1

NRB Resolution

Retaining the Natural Resources Board Policy and Regulatory making Authority'

Where as, the 2015-17 State Budget bill proposes eliminating the Natural Resources Boards policy and regulatory authority and giving it to the DNR Secretary.

Where and, giving this policy making authority solely to the DNR Secretary would potentially strip the public vetting process. It would negate open and transparent Government.

Where as, renowned Conservationists Aldo Leopold, Haskill Noyes and William Aberg forged the Conservation Act of 1927, the predecessor to the Natural Resources Board.

Where as, this budget policy would strip 88 years of Wisconsin's leadership in environmental and wildlife conservation efforts.

Where as, eliminating the authority of the Natural Resources Board and making it advisory to the DNR Secretary would undermine this system of citizen involvement and transparency for future generations.

Be it Resolved, the Conservation Congress at its annual meeting being held in Grant County on April 13, 2015, opposes the 2015-17 State Budget Proposal that makes the Natural Resources Board advisory to the DNR Secretary and request that it be removed from the budget and that the Natural Resources Board retain their policy and regulatory making authority for the DNR and that the Wisconsin Conservation Congress remain advisory to the Natural Resources Board.

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