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AN ACT to amend and reenact §19-1A-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to permitting the Director of the Division of Forestry to enter into stewardship contracts with the United States Forest Service; authorizing projects by written agreement or contract; and directing annual reports to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §19-1A-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 1A. DIVISION OF FORESTRY.

- §19-1A-4. Additional duties of the Director of the Division of Forestry generally.
 - 1 (a) The director shall:
 - 2 (1) Develop, promote and advance the growth of the 3 forest products industries of this state;
 - 4 (2) Cooperate with educational institutions, development
 - 5 agencies and private and public organizations to promote the
 - 6 expansion of the forest products industries of this state in
 - 7 local and global markets;

- 8 (3) Conduct research on marketing and developing forest 9 products and forest products industries; conserving, manag-10 ing and utilizing the state's forest land and its multiple uses; 11 and improving the forestry knowledge and practices of 12 private landowners; and
- (4) Compile its findings and recommendations, and
 disseminate the results of its research to the public, the
 forest products industry, the Governor and the Legislature.
- (b) The director has the power to carry out and effectuate
 the purposes of this article, article one-b of this chapter and
 article three of chapter twenty of this code, including the
 power to:
- 20 (1) Accept and use gifts, donations or contributions from 21 individuals, organizations or corporations, and to acquire by 22 gift, lease or purchase real estate;
- (2) Establish law-enforcement practices and procedures
 to address the law-enforcement requirements of the division;
- (3) To promulgate rules and regulations, subject to the
 provisions of chapter twenty-nine-a of this code; and
- 27 (4) Enter into stewardship end-result contract projects 28 with the United States Forest Service by written agreement 29 or contract and submit an annual report to the Joint Com-30 mittee on Government and Finance, no later than the first 31 day of October each year, specifying the locations of projects, 32 the amount of funding received, number of contracts and the 33 purpose of each contract.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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