

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 31, 2011

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 992**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Nielsen**

February 18, 2011

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An act to amend Section ~~4581~~ 4515 of the Public Resources Code, relating to forestry.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 992, as amended, Nielsen. Forestry: timber harvesting plan.

The Z'berg-Nejedly Forest Practice Act of 1973 prohibits a person from conducting timber operations unless a timber harvesting plan prepared by a registered professional forester has been submitted to the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. *The act requires the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection to submit to the Legislature on December 1st of each year a report on actions taken pursuant to the act during the preceding fiscal year.*

This bill would ~~make technical, nonsubstantive changes to that provision~~ *instead require the board to submit the report on August 1st of each year.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 *SECTION 1. Section 4515 of the Public Resources Code is*
- 2 *amended to read:*
- 3 *4515. The board shall submit to the Legislature on ~~December~~*
- 4 *August 1st of each year a report on the actions taken pursuant to*

1 this chapter during the preceding fiscal year. ~~Such~~ *The* report shall  
2 include a statement of the actions, including legislative  
3 recommendations, ~~which~~ *that* are necessary to more fully carry  
4 out the purposes and requirements of this chapter.

5 SECTION 1. ~~Section 4581 of the Public Resources Code is~~  
6 ~~amended to read:~~

7 ~~4581. A person shall not conduct timber operations unless a~~  
8 ~~timber harvesting plan prepared by a registered professional~~  
9 ~~forester has been submitted for those operations to the department~~  
10 ~~pursuant to this article. The plan shall be required in addition to~~  
11 ~~the license required in Section 4571.~~