

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2142

Introduced by Assembly Member Chesbro

February 20, 2014

An act to amend Section 4650.1 of the Public Resources Code, relating to forests.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2142, as introduced, Chesbro. State forests: sale of timber.

Existing law prohibits the sale of timber from state forests to any California division of a primary manufacturer, or to any person for resale to a primary manufacturer, who within one year prior to the bid date and one year after the termination of the contract, sells unprocessed timber, as defined, which is harvested from private timberlands and is exported into foreign commerce from this state.

This bill would instead prohibit the sale of timber from state forests to any California manufacturer, or to any person for resale to a primary manufacturer, who within 24 months prior to the bid date sells unprocessed timber, which is harvested from private timberlands and is exported into foreign commerce from this state.

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 4650.1 of the Public Resources Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 4650.1. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, timber
- 4 from state forests shall not be sold to any California division of a

1 primary manufacturer, or to any person for resale to a primary
2 manufacturer, who does either of the following:

3 (1) Uses that timber at any plant not located within the United
4 States unless it is sawn on four sides to dimensions not greater
5 than 4 inches by 12 inches.

6 (2) ~~Within one year~~ *24 months* prior to the bid date ~~and one year~~
7 ~~after the termination of the contract~~, sells unprocessed timber,
8 which is harvested from private timberlands and is exported into
9 foreign commerce from this state.

10 (b) ~~Any~~ A purchaser of timber from state forests who ~~makes~~
11 ~~use of~~ *uses* timber in violation of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a)
12 is prohibited from purchasing state forest timber for a period of
13 five years and may have his or her license suspended for a period
14 of up to one year.

15 (c) The department may adopt appropriate regulations to prevent
16 the substitution of timber from state forests for timber exported
17 from private timberlands.

18 (d) For purposes of this section, “unprocessed timber” means
19 trees or portions of trees or other roundwood not processed to
20 standards and specifications suitable for end product use, but does
21 not include timber processed into any of the following:

22 (1) Lumber or construction timbers, except Western Red Cedar,
23 meeting current American Lumber Standards Grades or Pacific
24 Lumber Inspection Bureau Export R or N list grades, sawn on four
25 sides, not intended for remanufacture.

26 (2) Lumber, construction timbers, or cants for remanufacture,
27 except Western Red Cedar, meeting current American Lumber
28 Standards Grades or Pacific Lumber Inspection Bureau Export R
29 or N list clear grades, sawn on four sides, not to exceed 12 inches
30 in thickness.

31 (3) Lumber, construction timbers, or cants for remanufacture,
32 except Western Red Cedar, that do not meet the grades referred
33 to in paragraph (2) and are sawn on four sides, with wane less than
34 $\frac{1}{4}$ of any face, not exceeding $8\frac{3}{4}$ inches in thickness.

35 (4) Chips, pulp, or pulp products.

36 (5) Veneer or plywood.

37 (6) Poles, posts, or piling cut or treated with preservatives for
38 use as such.

39 (7) Shakes or shingles.

- 1 (8) Aspen or other pulpwood bolts, not exceeding 100 inches
- 2 in length, exported for processing into pulp.
- 3 (9) Pulp logs or cull logs processed at domestic pulp mills,
- 4 domestic chip plants, or other domestic operations for the purpose
- 5 of conversion of the logs into chips.

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