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## ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL No. 1103

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**Citations Affected:** IC 14-8; IC 14-11; IC 14-22; IC 14-28; IC 14-34;  
IC 25-36.5; IC 31-25; IC 35-52.

**Synopsis:** Department of natural resources. Repeals code provisions regarding commercial fishing on Lake Michigan. Removes the requirement that the director of the department of natural resources (department) send, to a person who has a license that is placed on probationary status, notice that includes a description of the amount of child support in arrears and an explanation of the procedures to pay child support arrearage. Repeals the mussels license issued by the department. Provides that a law enforcement officer or an employee of the department is not liable for the destruction of a permitted animal that escapes an enclosure and poses a threat to public safety. Provides instances when a construction permit for a floodway is not required to remove a logjam or mass of wood debris that has accumulated in a river or stream. Provides that, beginning January 1, 2022, the director of the department shall not exercise authority to remove or eliminate an  
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**Effective:** July 1, 2022.

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January 4, 2022, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources.  
January 24, 2022, amended, reported — Do Pass.  
January 26, 2022, read second time, ordered engrossed. Engrossed.  
January 27, 2022, read third time, passed. Yeas 90, nays 0.

SENATE ACTION

February 7, 2022, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources.  
February 21, 2022, reported favorably — Do Pass.  
February 24, 2022, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.

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abode or residence from a floodway if the abode or residence was constructed before January 1, 2022. (Current law provides that the director of the department shall not exercise the authority if the residence or abode was constructed before January 1, 2020.) Provides that before July 1, 2023, the department shall adopt a license for the removal of trees; channel maintenance; and bank reconstruction, repair, and stabilization in a floodway. Provides that a local floodplain administrator shall utilize the best floodplain mapping data available as provided by the department and located on the Indiana Floodplain Information Portal when reviewing a permit application for a structure or a construction activity in, or near, a floodplain. Provides that a contract to purchase timber must be in writing. Allows the collection of damages for costs associated with a claim or action, including attorney's fees, or damages specified in a contract with a timber buyer or a person who cuts timber but is not a timber buyer. Requires a timber buyer to keep complete and accurate records for at least five years after a transaction. Allows the director of the department to suspend a timber buyer's license for not more than 90 days before a final adjudication if the director of the department finds that the holder of the timber buyer's license poses a clear and immediate danger to public health, safety, or property if allowed to continue to operate. Provides that the director of the department may renew the suspension for periods of not more than 90 days. Makes technical and conforming changes.

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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 14-8-2-44 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
2 2022]. ~~Sec. 44: "Commercial fishing", for purposes of IC 14-22-14, has~~  
3 ~~the meaning set forth in IC 14-22-14-1.~~
- 4 SECTION 2. IC 14-8-2-45 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
5 2022]. ~~Sec. 45: "Commercial fishing gear", for purposes of~~  
6 ~~IC 14-22-14, has the meaning set forth in IC 14-22-14-2.~~
- 7 SECTION 3. IC 14-8-2-46 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
8 2022]. ~~Sec. 46: "Commercial fishing license", for purposes of~~  
9 ~~IC 14-22-14, has the meaning set forth in IC 14-22-14-3.~~
- 10 SECTION 4. IC 14-8-2-138 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
11 2022]. ~~Sec. 138: "Lake Michigan", for purposes of IC 14-22-14, has the~~  
12 ~~meaning set forth in IC 14-22-14-4.~~
- 13 SECTION 5. IC 14-8-2-242, AS AMENDED BY P.L.148-2020,  
14 SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
15 JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 242. (a) "Resident", for purposes of IC 14-22,

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1 except as provided in subsection (b), means a person who:

2 (1) is domiciled in Indiana for sixty (60) consecutive days  
3 immediately preceding the date of the purchase of a license or  
4 permit; and

5 (2) does not claim residency for hunting, fishing, or trapping in  
6 any state other than Indiana or any country other than the United  
7 States.

8 ~~(b) "Resident", for purposes of IC 14-22-17, has the meaning set  
9 forth in IC 14-22-17-1.~~

10 ~~(c)~~ (b) "Resident", for purposes of IC 14-33-24-9, has the meaning  
11 set forth in IC 14-33-24-9(a).

12 SECTION 6. IC 14-11-3-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.150-2018,  
13 SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
14 JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 4. (a) Upon receiving an order from the bureau  
15 under IC 31-25-4-32(j) or IC 31-25-4-34(e), the director shall place on  
16 probationary status any license issued under IC 14-22-12, ~~IC 14-22-14,~~  
17 ~~IC 14-22-16, IC 14-22-17,~~ IC 14-22-19, IC 14-24-7, or IC 14-31-3 and  
18 held by the person who is the subject of the order. The director shall  
19 send the person a notice that does the following:

20 (1) States that the person's license has been placed on  
21 probationary status.

22 (2) States that the person's license will be suspended if the  
23 director has not received notice from the bureau under  
24 IC 31-25-4-32(m) or IC 31-25-4-34(g) within twenty (20) days  
25 after the date of the notice.

26 ~~(3) Describes the amount of child support that the person is in  
27 arrears.~~

28 ~~(4) Explains the procedures to:~~

29 ~~(A) pay the person's child support arrearage in full; and~~

30 ~~(B) establish a payment plan with the bureau to pay the  
31 arrearage, which must include an income withholding order  
32 under IC 31-16-15-2 or IC 31-16-15-2.5.~~

33 (b) If the director has not received notice from the bureau under  
34 IC 31-25-4-32(m) or IC 31-25-4-34(g) within twenty (20) days after the  
35 date of the notice in subsection (a), the director shall suspend the  
36 license issued to the person under IC 14-22-12, ~~IC 14-22-14,~~  
37 ~~IC 14-22-16, IC 14-22-17,~~ IC 14-22-19, IC 14-24-7, or IC 14-31-3.

38 (c) The director may not reinstate a license placed on probationary  
39 status or suspended under this section until the director receives a  
40 notice from the bureau under IC 31-25-4-32(m) or IC 31-25-4-34(g)  
41 that the person has addressed the delinquency.

42 SECTION 7. IC 14-22-2-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.154-2019,



1 SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
2 JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 10. (a) Notwithstanding any law in this article, the  
3 commission may adjust a license and permit fee, including an  
4 application fee, in an amount that is above the minimum fee  
5 established under the following:

6 (1) Section 4 of this chapter (Licenses and permits written by the  
7 director).

8 (2) IC 14-22-9-10 (Aquatic vegetation control).

9 (3) IC 14-22-13-1 (Commercial fishing).

10 (4) IC 14-22-13-2 (Commercial fishing on the Ohio River).

11 (5) IC 14-22-13-2.5 (Roe harvester or dealer).

12 ~~(6) IC 14-22-14-9 (Commercial fishing on Lake Michigan).~~

13 ~~(7) IC 14-22-14-10 (Commercial fishing on Lake Michigan).~~

14 ~~(8)~~ (6) IC 14-22-15-2 (Fishing guide).

15 ~~(9)~~ (7) IC 14-22-15.5-3 (Hunting guide).

16 ~~(10)~~ (8) IC 14-22-16-1 (Bait dealer).

17 ~~(11)~~ (9) IC 14-22-19-2 (Fur buyer).

18 ~~(12)~~ (10) IC 14-22-20-1 (Game breeder).

19 ~~(13)~~ (11) IC 14-22-21-2 (Taxidermist).

20 ~~(14)~~ (12) IC 14-22-22-2 (Scientific purposes).

21 ~~(15)~~ (13) IC 14-22-23-3 (Falconry).

22 ~~(16)~~ (14) IC 14-22-24-2 (Field trials).

23 ~~(17)~~ (15) IC 14-22-25-3 (Fish and wild animal importation).

24 ~~(18)~~ (16) IC 14-22-26-4 (Wild animal possession).

25 ~~(19)~~ (17) IC 14-22-27-2 (Fish stocking).

26 ~~(20)~~ (18) IC 14-22-31-2 (Private shooting preserve).

27 (b) Before adopting fees under this section, the commission shall  
28 consider the amount that is reasonably necessary to generate revenue  
29 sufficient to offset the costs incurred in carrying out the department's  
30 responsibilities and operating any related programs.

31 (c) A fee that is submitted with an application for a license or permit  
32 listed under subsection (a) is not refundable.

33 SECTION 8. IC 14-22-14-1 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
34 2022]. Sec. 1: As used in this chapter, "commercial fishing" means the  
35 taking of fish by means of commercial fishing gear.

36 SECTION 9. IC 14-22-14-2 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
37 2022]. Sec. 2: As used in this chapter, "commercial fishing gear" means  
38 fishing equipment, including boats, nets, and other equipment, used to  
39 take fish from Lake Michigan to sell at wholesale or retail.

40 SECTION 10. IC 14-22-14-3 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
41 1, 2022]. Sec. 3: As used in this chapter, "commercial fishing license"  
42 refers to a commercial fishing license issued under this chapter.



1 SECTION 11. IC 14-22-14-4 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
2 1, 2022]. Sec. 4: As used in this chapter, "Lake Michigan" refers to the  
3 waters of Lake Michigan that are within Indiana.

4 SECTION 12. IC 14-22-14-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
5 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 5. A person must have  
6 a commercial fishing license to **may not** take fish from **the Indiana**  
7 **waters of** Lake Michigan with commercial fishing gear.

8 SECTION 13. IC 14-22-14-6 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
9 1, 2022]. Sec. 6: To be eligible to hold a commercial fishing license;  
10 the following conditions must be met:

11 (1) If the person is not a corporation, all individuals comprising  
12 the person must be residents of Indiana:

13 (2) If the person is a corporation, the corporation must be an  
14 Indiana corporation and all shareholders in the corporation must  
15 be residents of Indiana:

16 SECTION 14. IC 14-22-14-7 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
17 1, 2022]. Sec. 7: The department may renew a commercial fishing  
18 license, but may not issue an original commercial fishing license.

19 SECTION 15. IC 14-22-14-8 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
20 1, 2022]. Sec. 8: Commercial fishing licenses are designated as  
21 follows:

22 (1) Class 1:

23 (2) Class 2:

24 (3) Class 3:

25 SECTION 16. IC 14-22-14-9 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
26 1, 2022]. Sec. 9: (a) A commercial fishing license:

27 (1) expires ~~December 31~~ of the year for which the license was  
28 issued or reserved;

29 (2) may be renewed or reserved annually; however, if an  
30 application to renew or reserve a license is not received by the  
31 department before February 1 of the year following the expiration  
32 or reserved period of the license, the license may not be renewed;  
33 reserved; or reinstated;

34 (3) that is reserved is inactive and may not be used; merged;  
35 transferred; or converted during the reserved year; and

36 (4) subject to IC 14-22-2-10, may be reserved for one (1) year for  
37 a minimum fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25):

38 (b) The department shall report annually to the natural resources  
39 committees of the house of representatives and the senate for the  
40 purpose of updating the status of yellow perch in Lake Michigan as it  
41 affects sport and commercial fishing and fishermen in Indiana.

42 SECTION 17. IC 14-22-14-10 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY



1 1, 2022]. Sec. 10: Subject to IC 14-22-2-10, the minimum renewal fees  
2 for commercial fishing licenses are as follows:

- 3 (1) Class 1; three thousand dollars (\$3,000);  
4 (2) Class 2; six thousand dollars (\$6,000);  
5 (3) Class 3; nine thousand dollars (\$9,000);

6 SECTION 18. IC 14-22-14-11 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
7 1, 2022]. Sec. 11: Except as provided under section 9 of this chapter,  
8 and subject to section 12 of this chapter, a commercial fishing license  
9 may be transferred from one (1) person to another.

10 SECTION 19. IC 14-22-14-12 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
11 1, 2022]. Sec. 12: (a) Except as provided in sections 13 and 14 of this  
12 chapter, a person may not hold or have an interest in more than one (1)  
13 commercial fishing license.

14 (b) If a person having an interest in one (1) commercial fishing  
15 license acquires an interest in a second commercial fishing license:

- 16 (1) the second license is valid; and  
17 (2) the person is considered to have surrendered the first license.  
18 The first license may not be reinstated.

19 SECTION 20. IC 14-22-14-13 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
20 1, 2022]. Sec. 13: A person holding a Class 1 or Class 2 license may  
21 acquire another license for the purpose of merging the licenses to form  
22 a Class 2 or Class 3 license as follows:

23 (1) At the time a person holding a Class 1 license acquires  
24 another Class 1 license, the two (2) licenses merge and become a  
25 Class 2 license.

26 (2) At the time a person holding:

- 27 (A) a Class 1 license acquires a Class 2 license; or  
28 (B) a Class 2 license acquires a Class 1 license;

29 the two (2) licenses merge and become a Class 3 license.

30 SECTION 21. IC 14-22-14-14 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
31 1, 2022]. Sec. 14: A person holding a Class 1 license and a person  
32 holding a Class 3 license may convert the licenses to two (2) Class 2  
33 licenses.

34 SECTION 22. IC 14-22-14-15 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
35 1, 2022]. Sec. 15: (a) The commission may adopt rules to establish  
36 procedures for the:

- 37 (1) transfer;  
38 (2) merger; or  
39 (3) exchange;

40 of commercial fishing licenses.

41 (b) The fee for processing:

- 42 (1) a transfer;



1           (2) a merger; or  
 2           (3) an exchange;  
 3 of a commercial fishing license under this chapter is one hundred  
 4 dollars (\$100).

5           SECTION 23. IC 14-22-14-16 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
 6 1, 2022]. Sec. 16: A Class 2 or Class 3 commercial fishing license may  
 7 be surrendered to the department in exchange for a Class 1 or Class 2  
 8 license. This is not considered to be the issuance of an original license.

9           SECTION 24. IC 14-22-14-17 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
 10 1, 2022]. Sec. 17: Each boat engaged in commercial fishing must carry  
 11 documentation specified by rules adopted by the commission that the  
 12 boat is operating under the authority of a commercial fishing license.

13           SECTION 25. IC 14-22-14-18 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
 14 1, 2022]. Sec. 18: (a) The holder of a commercial fishing license must,  
 15 in the manner established by rules adopted by the commission,  
 16 designate an individual as captain of a boat operated by the holder of  
 17 a commercial fishing license. A designated captain must meet the  
 18 following conditions:

- 19           (1) Be a resident of Indiana.  
 20           (2) Have experience as a commercial fisherman.  
 21           (3) Possess other qualifications established by rules adopted by  
 22 the commission.

23           (b) Except in an emergency, as defined under rules adopted by the  
 24 commission, an individual who is designated as a captain by the holder  
 25 of one (1) commercial fishing license may not:

- 26           (1) be designated as a captain by; or  
 27           (2) work for;

28 the holder of another commercial fishing license. Notice to the  
 29 department of the emergency designation of a captain must be provided  
 30 under rules adopted by the commission.

31           SECTION 26. IC 14-22-14-19 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
 32 1, 2022]. Sec. 19: An individual designated as captain under section 18  
 33 of this chapter must be aboard each commercial fishing boat of the  
 34 holder of the commercial fishing license while the boat is engaged in  
 35 an activity related to commercial fishing.

36           SECTION 27. IC 14-22-14-20 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
 37 1, 2022]. Sec. 20: (a) The department shall regulate commercial fishing  
 38 in Lake Michigan to protect the resource of fish for commercial and  
 39 sport fishing.

40           (b) To protect the resource of fish in Lake Michigan, the department  
 41 shall regulate the number of nets that may be used by persons who have  
 42 been issued a commercial fishing license as follows:





1 (1) Persons who have a Class 2 license are entitled to use two (2)  
2 times the number of nets as persons who have a Class 1 license:

3 (2) Persons who have a Class 3 license are entitled to use three (3)  
4 times the number of nets as persons who have a Class 1 license:

5 SECTION 28. IC 14-22-14-21 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
6 1, 2022]. Sec. 21: The commission may adopt rules to establish  
7 restrictions on the following:

8 (1) Localities that may be fished:

9 (2) The kind, mesh size, and quantity of fishing gear that may be  
10 used:

11 (3) The quantity of fish that may be taken:

12 (4) Other restrictions the commission considers necessary to  
13 protect the fishing resource in Lake Michigan:

14 SECTION 29. IC 14-22-14-22 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
15 1, 2022]. Sec. 22: (a) Fish may not be taken from Lake Michigan by  
16 means of a gill net:

17 (b) The commercial fishing license of a person who takes fish from  
18 Lake Michigan by means of a gill net:

19 (1) terminates at the time of the violation; and

20 (2) may not be reinstated:

21 SECTION 30. IC 14-22-14-23 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
22 1, 2022]. Sec. 23: (a) A person who has a commercial fishing license  
23 must keep accurate records of each day's catch showing the following:

24 (1) The number of pounds of each kind of fish taken:

25 (2) The locality fished:

26 (3) The kind and amount of fishing gear employed:

27 (4) The length of time each unit of gear was fished without being  
28 lifted:

29 (5) Other information the commission considers to be relevant  
30 under this chapter:

31 (b) Before the sixteenth day of each month, each person holding a  
32 commercial fishing license shall report, under oath when requested to  
33 do so, all the data for the preceding month required under subsection  
34 (a) to the director upon forms furnished by the director. The reports  
35 required by this section shall be made each month whether or not any  
36 fish were taken during the preceding month. If no fish were taken, that  
37 fact shall be noted:

38 SECTION 31. IC 14-22-14-24 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
39 1, 2022]. Sec. 24: A commercial fishing license is issued upon the  
40 condition that the licensee agrees to make all reports to the director  
41 required by the following:

42 (1) This chapter:



(2) Rules adopted under this chapter.

SECTION 32. IC 14-22-14-25 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]. Sec. 25: Inadvertent failure to comply with the terms of:

(1) a license;

(2) this chapter or IC 14-2-12 (before its repeal); or

(3) rules adopted or orders issued under:

(A) IC 14-2-12 (before its repeal); or

(B) this chapter;

is grounds for suspension of the license for not more than one (1) year.

SECTION 33. IC 14-22-14-26 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]. Sec. 26: (a) Knowing or intentional failure to comply with the terms of:

(1) a license;

(2) this chapter or IC 14-2-12 (before its repeal); or

(3) rules adopted or orders issued under:

(A) IC 14-2-12 (before its repeal); or

(B) this chapter;

is grounds for revocation of the license.

(b) A license revoked under this section may not be reinstated.

SECTION 34. IC 14-22-14-27 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]. Sec. 27: (a) The director may do all things necessary to carry out this chapter:

(b) The commission shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this chapter:

SECTION 35. IC 14-22-17 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]. (Mussels License).

SECTION 36. IC 14-22-18-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 4. Section 2 of this chapter does not authorize a resident to fish during a free sport fishing day in violation of the license requirements set forth in the following:

(1) IC 14-22-13.

(2) ~~IC 14-22-14.~~

(3) **(2)** IC 14-22-15.

(4) **(3)** IC 14-22-16.

(5) ~~IC 14-22-17.~~

SECTION 37. IC 14-22-20-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.195-2017, SECTION 25, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 1. (a) The owner of a hunting preserve licensed under IC 15-17-14.7 is not required to obtain a game breeder's license under this section.

(b) The owner of a cervidae livestock operation under IC 15-17-14.5 is not required to obtain a game breeder's license under this section.



1 (c) The department may, under rules adopted under IC 4-22-2, issue  
 2 to a resident of Indiana, upon the payment of a minimum fee of fifteen  
 3 dollars (\$15), a license to:

4 (1) propagate in captivity; and

5 (2) possess, buy, or sell; ~~for this purpose only;~~

6 game birds ~~game mammals; or furbearing mammals or wild animals~~  
 7 protected by Indiana law.

8 (d) The fee in subsection (c) is subject to IC 14-22-2-10.

9 SECTION 38. IC 14-22-20-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.151-2012,  
 10 SECTION 25, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 11 JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 2. (a) A license issued under this chapter  
 12 authorizes the **possession or** sale of nonmigratory game birds ~~game~~  
 13 ~~mammals; or furbearing mammals for breeding purposes; for release;~~  
 14 ~~or for food purposes or wild animals.~~ An individual who:

15 (1) acquires a ~~furbearing mammal~~ **wild animal** alive, legally in  
 16 open season; or

17 (2) purchases the ~~game bird or mammal~~ **wild animal** from a  
 18 licensed game breeder;

19 may apply for a breeder's license within five (5) days after acquiring  
 20 the animal from the licensed game breeder or within five (5) days after  
 21 the last day of the open season for the animal. ~~Otherwise, the animal~~  
 22 ~~shall be released.~~

23 (b) **The commission shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to**  
 24 **implement this section.**

25 SECTION 39. IC 14-22-20-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 26 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 3. An animal raised  
 27 domestically by an out-of-state breeder may be imported into Indiana.  
 28 ~~and sold for food purposes.~~ A purchaser of such an animal raised  
 29 domestically by an out-of-state breeder must be able to show legal  
 30 proof of out-of-state origin for all animals possessed.

31 SECTION 40. IC 14-22-26-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 32 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 1. This chapter does not  
 33 apply to ~~licensed the following licenses:~~

34 (1) **Commercial animal dealers, breeders, or exhibitors licensed**  
 35 **by the United States Department of Agriculture for species of**  
 36 **wild and exotic animals that can be possessed without a**  
 37 **permit or license from the department under this article.**

38 (2) Zoological parks.

39 (3) Circuses or carnivals.

40 (4) **Research facilities and universities licensed or registered**  
 41 **with the United States Department of Agriculture.**

42 (5) **An organization or a person temporarily housing a wild**



- 1           **animal at the request of the department.**
- 2           SECTION 41. IC 14-22-26-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 3 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 2. As used in this
- 4 chapter, "zoological park" means
- 5           (+) a permanent establishment that is a **member of accredited by**
- 6           the ~~American~~ Association of ~~Zoological Parks~~ **Zoos** and
- 7           Aquariums. ~~or~~
- 8           (2) ~~an agency of local government, open to and administered for~~
- 9           ~~the public, to provide education, conservation, and preservation~~
- 10           ~~of the earth's fauna.~~
- 11           SECTION 42. IC 14-22-26-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 12 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 3. The director may
- 13 adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to require and issue the following:
- 14           (1) A permit to possess a wild animal protected by statute or rule.
- 15           (2) A permit to possess a wild animal that may be harmful or
- 16           dangerous to ~~plants~~ **people, or domestic animals, or wild**
- 17           **animals. A separate permit is required for each wild animal**
- 18           ~~described in this subdivision.~~
- 19           SECTION 43. IC 14-22-26-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 20 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 5. (a) If an emergency
- 21 exists, the director may summarily suspend a permit issued under this
- 22 chapter. The director may summarily seize and hold an animal for
- 23 which a permit is required under this chapter, pending the outcome of
- 24 the proceedings under this section, if either of the following conditions
- 25 exist:
- 26           (1) A permit has not been issued to possess the animal.
- 27           (2) A permit has been issued to possess the animal, but the
- 28           director believes that an emergency exists because at least one (1)
- 29           of the following conditions exists:
- 30           (A) The animal is in a position to harm another animal.
- 31           (B) The life or health of the animal is in peril.
- 32           (b) After suspending a permit or seizing and holding an animal
- 33           under subsection (a), the department shall proceed as quickly as
- 34           feasible to provide the opportunity for completed adjudicative
- 35           proceedings under IC 4-21.5. The proceedings may result in the
- 36           revocation, temporary suspension, or modification of the permit.
- 37           Provision may be made for a final disposition with respect to the wild
- 38           animal, including confiscation of the animal. IC 4-21.5 provides the
- 39           exclusive remedy available to a person aggrieved by a determination
- 40           of the department under this section.
- 41           (c) The director may contract with experts in the handling of
- 42           animals for which a permit is required under this chapter to assist the



1 director in seizing and holding an animal under this section. A person  
2 who seizes and holds an animal under a contract with the director is not  
3 subject to legal action arising from the seizure or holding to the same  
4 extent as if the person was an employee of the department.

5 (d) The owner of an animal seized under this section is liable for the  
6 costs of seizing and holding the animal and of the proceedings under  
7 this section, including a trial, if any.

8 **(e) A law enforcement officer or an employee of the department**  
9 **is not liable for the destruction of a permitted animal that escapes**  
10 **an enclosure and poses a threat to public safety.**

11 SECTION 44. IC 14-28-1-22, AS AMENDED BY P.L.21-2021,  
12 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
13 JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 22. (a) As used in subsection (b)(1) with respect  
14 to a stream, "total length" means the length of the stream, expressed in  
15 miles, from the confluence of the stream with the receiving stream to  
16 the upstream or headward extremity of the stream, as indicated by the  
17 solid or dashed, blue or purple line depicting the stream on the most  
18 current edition of the seven and one-half (7 1/2) minute topographic  
19 quadrangle map published by the United States Geological Survey,  
20 measured along the meanders of the stream as depicted on the map.

21 (b) This section does not apply to the following:

22 (1) A reconstruction or maintenance project (as defined in  
23 IC 36-9-27) on a stream or an open regulated drain if the total  
24 length of the stream or open drain is not more than ten (10) miles.

25 (2) A construction or reconstruction project on a state or county  
26 highway bridge in a rural area that crosses a stream having an  
27 upstream drainage area of not more than fifty (50) square miles  
28 and the relocation of utility lines associated with the construction  
29 or reconstruction project if confined to an area not more than one  
30 hundred (100) feet from the limits of the highway construction  
31 right-of-way.

32 (3) The performance of an activity described in subsection (c)(1)  
33 or (c)(2) by a surface coal mining operation that is operated under  
34 a permit issued under IC 14-34.

35 (4) Any other activity that is determined by the commission,  
36 according to rules adopted under IC 4-22-2, to pose not more than  
37 a minimal threat to floodway areas.

38 (5) An activity in a boundary river floodway to which section 26.5  
39 of this chapter applies.

40 (6) The removal of a logjam or mass of wood debris that has  
41 accumulated in a river or stream, subject to the following  
42 conditions:



- 1 (A) Work must not be within a salmonid stream designated  
 2 under 327 IAC 2-1.5-5 without the prior written approval of  
 3 the department's division of fish and wildlife.
- 4 (B) Work must not be within a natural, scenic, or recreational  
 5 river or stream designated under 312 IAC 7-2.
- 6 (C) Except as otherwise provided in Indiana law, free logs or  
 7 affixed logs that are crossways in the channel must be cut,  
 8 relocated, and removed from the floodplain. Logs may be  
 9 maintained in the floodplain if properly anchored or otherwise  
 10 secured so as to resist flotation or dislodging by the flow of  
 11 water and placement in an area that is not a wetland. Logs  
 12 must be removed and secured with a minimum of damage to  
 13 vegetation.
- 14 (D) Isolated or single logs that are embedded, lodged, or  
 15 rooted in the channel, and that do not span the channel or  
 16 cause flow problems, must not be removed unless the logs are  
 17 either of the following:
- 18 (i) Associated with or in close proximity to larger  
 19 obstructions.
- 20 (ii) Posing a hazard to **agriculture, business, navigation, or**  
 21 **property.**
- 22 (E) A leaning or severely damaged tree that is in immediate  
 23 danger of falling into the waterway may be cut and removed.  
 24 ~~if the tree is associated with or in close proximity to an~~  
 25 ~~obstruction.~~ The root system and stump of the tree must be left  
 26 in place.
- 27 (F) To the extent practicable, the construction of access roads  
 28 must be minimized, and should not result in the elevation of  
 29 the floodplain.
- 30 (G) To the extent practicable, work should be performed  
 31 exclusively from one (1) side of a waterway. Crossing the bed  
 32 of a waterway is prohibited.
- 33 (H) To prevent the flow of sediment laden water back into the  
 34 waterway, appropriate sediment control measures must be  
 35 installed.
- 36 (I) Within fifteen (15) days, all bare and disturbed areas must  
 37 be revegetated with a mixture of grasses and legumes. Tall  
 38 fescue must not be used under this subdivision, except that low  
 39 endophyte tall fescue may be used in the bottom of the  
 40 waterway and on side slopes.
- 41 (c) A person who desires to:
- 42 (1) erect, make, use, or maintain a structure, an obstruction, a



- 1 deposit, or an excavation; or  
 2 (2) suffer or permit a structure, an obstruction, a deposit, or an  
 3 excavation to be erected, made, used, or maintained;  
 4 in or on a floodway must file with the director a verified written  
 5 application for a permit accompanied by a nonrefundable minimum fee  
 6 of two hundred dollars (\$200).  
 7 (d) The application for a permit must set forth the material facts  
 8 together with plans and specifications for the structure, obstruction,  
 9 deposit, or excavation.  
 10 (e) An applicant must receive a permit from the director for the  
 11 work before beginning construction. The director shall issue a permit  
 12 only if in the opinion of the director the applicant has clearly proven  
 13 that the structure, obstruction, deposit, or excavation will not do any of  
 14 the following:  
 15 (1) Adversely affect the efficiency of or unduly restrict the  
 16 capacity of the floodway.  
 17 (2) Constitute an unreasonable hazard to the safety of life or  
 18 property.  
 19 (3) Result in unreasonably detrimental effects upon fish, wildlife,  
 20 or botanical resources.  
 21 (f) In deciding whether to issue a permit under this section, the  
 22 director shall consider the cumulative effects of the structure,  
 23 obstruction, deposit, or excavation. The director may incorporate in and  
 24 make a part of an order of authorization conditions and restrictions that  
 25 the director considers necessary for the purposes of this chapter.  
 26 (g) A permit issued under this section:  
 27 (1) is valid for two (2) years after the issuance of the permit;  
 28 (2) to:  
 29 (A) the Indiana department of transportation or a county  
 30 highway department if there is any federal funding for the  
 31 project; or  
 32 (B) an electric utility for the construction of a power  
 33 generating facility;  
 34 is valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance; and  
 35 (3) is valid for the duration of a permitted project subject to  
 36 periodic compliance evaluations for a quarrying or aggregate  
 37 company for the excavation of industrial materials, including:  
 38 (A) clay and shale;  
 39 (B) crushed limestone and dolostone;  
 40 (C) dimension limestone;  
 41 (D) dimension sandstone;  
 42 (E) gypsum;



- 1 (F) peat;  
 2 (G) construction sand and gravel; and  
 3 (H) industrial sand.
- 4 However, a permit issued under this section expires if construction is  
 5 not commenced within two (2) years after the permit is issued. Except  
 6 as provided under section 22.1 of this chapter, a permit that is active  
 7 and was issued under subdivision (1) before July 1, 2014, is valid for  
 8 two (2) years beginning July 2014, and a permit that is active and was  
 9 issued under subdivision (2) before July 1, 2014, is valid for five (5)  
 10 years beginning July 2014.
- 11 (h) The holder of a permit issued under subsection (g)(3) shall  
 12 notify the commission within six (6) months of completing the  
 13 permitted project.
- 14 (i) A permit issued under:  
 15 (1) subsection (g)(1) may be renewed one (1) time for a period not  
 16 to exceed two (2) additional years; and  
 17 (2) subsection (g)(2) may be renewed one (1) time for a period not  
 18 to exceed five (5) additional years.
- 19 (j) The director shall send a copy of each permit issued under this  
 20 section to each river basin commission organized under:  
 21 (1) IC 14-29-7 or IC 13-2-27 (before its repeal); or  
 22 (2) IC 14-13-9, IC 14-30-1 (before its repeal), or IC 36-7-6  
 23 (before its repeal);  
 24 that is affected.
- 25 (k) The permit holder shall post and maintain a permit issued under  
 26 this section at the authorized site.
- 27 (l) For the purposes of this chapter, the lowest floor of a building,  
 28 including a residence or abode, that is to be constructed or  
 29 reconstructed in the one hundred (100) year floodplain of an area  
 30 protected by a levee that is:  
 31 (1) inspected; and  
 32 (2) found to be in good or excellent condition;  
 33 by the United States Army Corps of Engineers shall not be lower than  
 34 the one hundred (100) year frequency flood elevation plus one (1) foot.
- 35 SECTION 45. IC 14-28-1-23, AS AMENDED BY P.L.90-2020,  
 36 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 37 JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 23. (a) The director may remove or eliminate a  
 38 structure, an obstruction, a deposit, or an excavation in a floodway that:  
 39 (1) adversely affects the efficiency of or unduly restricts the  
 40 capacity of the floodway;  
 41 (2) constitutes an unreasonable hazard to the safety of life or  
 42 property; or





1 (3) is unreasonably detrimental to fish, wildlife, or botanical  
 2 resources;  
 3 by an action in condemnation.

4 (b) In assessing the damages in the proceedings, the appraisers and  
 5 the court shall take into consideration whether the structure,  
 6 obstruction, deposit, or excavation is legally in or on the floodway.

7 (c) Beginning ~~January 1, 2020~~, **January 1, 2022**, the director shall  
 8 not exercise the authority under subsection (a) to remove or eliminate  
 9 an abode or residence from a floodway if:

10 (1) the abode or residence was constructed before ~~January 1,~~  
 11 ~~2020~~; **January 1, 2022**;

12 (2) the owner of the abode or residence has taken necessary  
 13 measures to elevate the lowest floor of the abode or residence, as  
 14 reconstructed, including the basement, to at least two (2) feet  
 15 above the one hundred (100) year flood elevation within two (2)  
 16 years after receiving notification from the department concerning  
 17 the abode or residence; and

18 (3) the owner of the abode or residence has taken necessary  
 19 measures to comply with all applicable local, state, and federal  
 20 floodway regulations.

21 SECTION 46. IC 14-28-1-39 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
 22 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 23 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: **Sec. 39. (a) Before July 1, 2023, the**  
 24 **department shall adopt a license for the following activities in a**  
 25 **floodway:**

26 **(1) Removal of trees.**

27 **(2) Channel maintenance.**

28 **(3) Bank reconstruction, repair, and stabilization.**

29 **(b) This section expires July 1, 2024.**

30 SECTION 47. IC 14-28-1-40 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
 31 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 32 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: **Sec. 40. A local floodplain**  
 33 **administrator shall utilize the best floodplain mapping data**  
 34 **available as provided by the department and located on the**  
 35 **Indiana Floodplain Information Portal when reviewing a permit**  
 36 **application for a structure or a construction activity in, or near, a**  
 37 **floodplain.**

38 SECTION 48. IC 14-34-4-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 39 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 5. (a) If written  
 40 objections are filed and an informal conference or a public hearing is  
 41 requested, the director shall hold the conference or public hearing in  
 42 the locality of the proposed surface coal mining operation within a



1 reasonable time of receipt of the objections or request. The director  
 2 shall advertise in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in  
 3 which the proposed surface coal mining operation is located at least  
 4 two (2) weeks before the scheduled conference or public hearing the  
 5 date, time, and location of the conference or public hearing.

6 (b) The director may arrange with the applicant, upon request by  
 7 any party to the administrative proceeding, access to the proposed  
 8 mining area for the purpose of gathering information relevant to the  
 9 proceeding.

10 (c) An electronic or a stenographic record shall be made of the  
 11 conference or public hearing. ~~unless waived by all parties.~~ The director  
 12 shall maintain the record and have the record accessible to the parties  
 13 until final release of the applicant's performance bond.

14 (d) The director may not hold the conference or public hearing if  
 15 any of the following conditions exist:

16 (1) All parties requesting the conference or public hearing  
 17 stipulate agreement before the conference or public hearing and  
 18 withdraw their request.

19 (2) The request fails to comply with the requirements of section  
 20 4 of this chapter.

21 (3) The objections do not concern a matter within the scope of  
 22 this article or the commission's rules.

23 SECTION 49. IC 25-36.5-1-2.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
 24 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 25 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: **Sec. 2.1. (a) A contract to purchase  
 26 timber must be in writing pursuant to:**

27 **(1) the Uniform Commercial Code (IC 26-1); and**

28 **(2) the rules adopted by the department.**

29 **(b) No person shall engage in the purchase of timber with a  
 30 timber grower without a written contract as described in  
 31 subsection (a).**

32 **(c) Each timber purchase without a written contract constitutes  
 33 a separate and distinct violation under this chapter.**

34 **(d) Failure to have a written contract to purchase timber does  
 35 not limit the remedies available to a timber grower under this  
 36 chapter.**

37 SECTION 50. IC 25-36.5-1-3.2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.57-2013,  
 38 SECTION 86, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 39 JULY 1, 2022]: **Sec. 3.2. (a) This section refers to an adjudicative  
 40 proceeding against:**

41 **(1) a timber buyer; or**

42 **(2) a person who cuts timber but is not a timber buyer (referred to**



- 1 as a "timber cutter" in this section).
- 2 (b) The department may under IC 4-21.5-3-8 commence a  
3 proceeding against a timber buyer or a timber cutter if there is reason  
4 to believe that:
- 5 (1) the timber buyer or timber cutter has acquired timber from a  
6 timber grower under a written contract for the sale of the timber  
7 without payment having been made to the timber grower as  
8 specified in the contract; or  
9 (2) if:
- 10 (A) there is no written contract for the sale of the timber; or  
11 (B) there is a written contract for the sale of the timber but the  
12 contract does not set forth the purchase price for the timber;  
13 the timber buyer or timber cutter has cut timber or acquired  
14 timber from the timber grower without payment having been  
15 made to the timber grower equal to the value of the timber as  
16 determined under IC 26-1-2.
- 17 (c) A proceeding may be commenced under this section at the  
18 request of a timber grower.
- 19 (d) The necessary parties to a proceeding initiated under this section  
20 are:
- 21 (1) the timber grower; and  
22 (2) the timber buyer or timber cutter.
- 23 (e) After the commencement of a proceeding under this section  
24 through the service of a complaint under IC 4-21.5-3-8, a party to the  
25 proceeding may move for the joinder of any of the following persons  
26 having a relationship to the site or subject of the complaint:
- 27 (1) The surety of the timber buyer.  
28 (2) A timber buyer.  
29 (3) A timber cutter.  
30 (4) A landowner.  
31 (5) An owner of land adjacent to the land from which the timber  
32 was cut.  
33 (6) A consultant receiving a fee for services related to the timber.  
34 (7) A professional surveyor performing an American Land Title  
35 Association and American Congress on Surveying and Mapping  
36 (ALTA/ACSM) land title survey.  
37 (8) The department of natural resources, if the department has a  
38 relationship to the site or subject of the complaint as a landowner  
39 or owner of adjacent land.
- 40 (f) The complaint served under IC 4-21.5-3-8 to commence a  
41 proceeding under this section may seek the following:  
42 (1) Damages in compensation for damage actually resulting from



1 the wrongful activities of a timber buyer or timber cutter.  
2 (2) Damages equal to three (3) times the stumpage value of any  
3 timber that is wrongfully cut or appropriated without payment.  
4 **(3) Damages for costs associated with a claim or action,**  
5 **including attorney's fees.**  
6 **(4) Damages specified by a contract between a timber grower**  
7 **and a timber buyer.**  
8 (g) Notwithstanding subsection (f), the liability on the surety bond  
9 of a timber cutter is limited to the value of any timber wrongfully cut  
10 or appropriated.  
11 (h) A proceeding under this section is governed by IC 4-21.5.  
12 Before a hearing is convened in the proceeding, a prehearing  
13 conference shall be conducted to provide the parties with an  
14 opportunity for settlement, including an opportunity for mediation.  
15 (i) In determining the site for a hearing in a proceeding under this  
16 section, the administrative law judge shall consider the convenience of  
17 the parties.  
18 (j) A final agency action in a proceeding under this section must  
19 address all issues of damage and responsibility and, after the  
20 completion of the opportunity for judicial review, may be enforced in  
21 a civil proceeding as a judgment.  
22 SECTION 51. IC 25-36.5-1-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
23 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 4. **† The following**  
24 **shall be unlawful and a violation of this chapter:**  
25 (a) For any timber buyer to fail to pay, as agreed, for any timber  
26 purchased.  
27 (b) For any timber buyer to cut or cause to be cut or appropriate any  
28 timber not purchased.  
29 (c) For a timber buyer to willfully make any false statement in  
30 connection with the application, bond or other information required to  
31 be given to the department or a timber grower.  
32 (d) **For a timber buyer** to fail to honestly account to the timber  
33 grower or the department for timber purchased or cut if the buyer is  
34 under a duty to do so. ~~and~~  
35 (e) For a timber buyer to commit any fraudulent act in connection  
36 with the purchase or cutting of timber.  
37 (f) **For a timber buyer to violate a provision of this chapter or**  
38 **a rule of the department adopted under this chapter.**  
39 SECTION 52. IC 25-36.5-1-4.9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
40 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 4.9. The director may  
41 refuse to issue a timber buyer registration certificate to an applicant  
42 that has:



- 1 (1) been convicted of a felony;
- 2 (2) violated a provision of this chapter; ~~or~~
- 3 (3) violated a rule adopted by the department under this chapter;
- 4 **or**
- 5 **(4) an active or pending suspension of a timber buyer license**
- 6 **under section 16 of this chapter.**

7 SECTION 53. IC 25-36.5-1-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 8 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 8. **(a)** The department  
 9 may inspect the premises used by any timber buyer in the conduct of  
 10 ~~his the timber buyer's~~ business at any reasonable time and the books,  
 11 accounts, records and papers of every such timber buyer shall at all  
 12 times during business hours be subject to inspection by the department.

13 **(b) A timber buyer shall keep complete and accurate records**  
 14 **and accounts for each transaction. The timber buyer shall retain**  
 15 **records and accounts for not less than five (5) years after a**  
 16 **transaction.**

17 **(c) The information obtained under this section is exempt under**  
 18 **IC 5-14-3-4(a)(1). Unless otherwise required by judicial order, the**  
 19 **information obtained under this section may be disclosed only to**  
 20 **the director, the director's designee, or a timber grower.**

21 SECTION 54. IC 25-36.5-1-16 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 22 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 16. **(a)** The director  
 23 may revoke, ~~or~~ suspend, ~~deny~~, or refuse to issue any license or agent's  
 24 registration under that license if the applicant or holder of that license  
 25 has:

- 26 (1) been convicted of a felony;
- 27 (2) violated any provision of this chapter; or
- 28 (3) violated any rule or regulation of the department promulgated
- 29 under this chapter.

30 Revocation or suspension of a license or an agent's registration shall be  
 31 determined by the director after an administrative hearing as provided  
 32 in ~~section 12 of this chapter.~~ **subsection (d).**

33 **(b) The director may suspend a license for not more than ninety**  
 34 **(90) days before a final adjudication if the director finds that the**  
 35 **holder of a timber buyer's license poses a clear and immediate**  
 36 **danger to public health, safety, or property if allowed to continue**  
 37 **to operate.**

38 **(c) The director may renew a suspension under subsection (b)**  
 39 **for a period of not more than ninety (90) days. There is no limit to**  
 40 **the number of times the director may renew a suspension.**

41 **(d) A proceeding under this chapter to revoke, suspend, deny,**  
 42 **or refuse to issue a license shall be conducted in the manner**



1 **prescribed by IC 4-21.5-3.**

2 SECTION 55. IC 31-25-4-32, AS AMENDED BY P.L.150-2018,  
3 SECTION 19, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
4 JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 32. (a) When the Title IV-D agency finds that an  
5 obligor is delinquent, the Title IV-D agency shall send, to a verified  
6 address, a notice to the obligor that does the following:

- 7 (1) Specifies that the obligor is delinquent.  
8 (2) Describes the amount of child support that the obligor is in  
9 arrears.  
10 (3) States that unless the obligor:  
11 (A) pays the obligor's child support arrearage in full;  
12 (B) establishes a payment plan with the Title IV-D agency to  
13 pay the arrearage, which includes an income withholding  
14 order; or  
15 (C) requests a hearing under section 33 of this chapter;  
16 within twenty (20) days after the date the notice is mailed, the  
17 Title IV-D agency shall issue an order to the bureau of motor  
18 vehicles stating that the obligor is delinquent and that the  
19 obligor's driving privileges shall be suspended.  
20 (4) Explains that the obligor has twenty (20) days after the notice  
21 is mailed to do one (1) of the following:  
22 (A) Pay the obligor's child support arrearage in full.  
23 (B) Establish a payment plan with the Title IV-D agency to  
24 pay the arrearage, which includes an income withholding order  
25 under IC 31-16-15-2 or IC 31-16-15-2.5.  
26 (C) Request a hearing under section 33 of this chapter.  
27 (5) Explains that if the obligor has not satisfied any of the  
28 requirements of subdivision (4) not later than twenty (20) days  
29 after the notice is mailed, that the Title IV-D agency shall issue a  
30 notice to:  
31 (A) the board or department that regulates the obligor's  
32 profession or occupation, if any, that the obligor is delinquent  
33 and that the obligor may be subject to sanctions under  
34 IC 25-1-1.2, including suspension or revocation of the  
35 obligor's professional or occupational license;  
36 (B) the supreme court disciplinary commission if the obligor  
37 is licensed to practice law;  
38 (C) the department of education established by IC 20-19-3-1  
39 if the obligor is a licensed teacher;  
40 (D) the Indiana horse racing commission if the obligor holds  
41 or applies for a license issued under IC 4-31-6;  
42 (E) the Indiana gaming commission if the obligor holds or



- 1 applies for a license issued under IC 4-33 and IC 4-35;  
 2 (F) the commissioner of the department of insurance if the  
 3 obligor holds or is an applicant for a license issued under  
 4 IC 27-1-15.6, IC 27-1-15.8, or IC 27-10-3;  
 5 (G) the director of the department of natural resources if the  
 6 obligor holds or is an applicant for a license issued by the  
 7 department of natural resources under:  
 8 (i) IC 14-22-12 (fishing, hunting, and trapping licenses);  
 9 ~~(ii) IC 14-22-14 (Lake Michigan commercial fishing~~  
 10 ~~license);~~  
 11 ~~(iii) (ii)~~ IC 14-22-16 (bait dealer's license);  
 12 ~~(iv) IC 14-22-17 (mussel license);~~  
 13 ~~(v) (iii)~~ IC 14-22-19 (fur buyer's license);  
 14 ~~(vi) (iv)~~ IC 14-24-7 (nursery dealer's license); or  
 15 ~~(vii) (v)~~ IC 14-31-3 (ginseng dealer's license); or  
 16 (H) the alcohol and tobacco commission if the obligor holds or  
 17 applies for an employee's permit under IC 7.1-3-18-9(a)(3).  
 18 (6) Explains that the only basis for contesting the issuance of an  
 19 order under subdivision (3) or (5) is a mistake of fact.  
 20 (7) Explains that an obligor may contest the Title IV-D agency's  
 21 determination to issue an order under subdivision (3) or (5) by  
 22 making written application to the Title IV-D agency not later than  
 23 twenty (20) days after the date the notice is mailed.  
 24 (8) Explains the procedures to:  
 25 (A) pay the obligor's child support arrearage in full; and  
 26 (B) establish a payment plan with the Title IV-D agency to pay  
 27 the arrearage, which must include an income withholding  
 28 order under IC 31-16-15-2 or IC 31-16-15-2.5.  
 29 (b) Whenever the Title IV-D agency finds that an obligor is  
 30 delinquent and has failed to:  
 31 (1) pay the obligor's child support arrearage in full;  
 32 (2) establish a payment plan with the Title IV-D agency to pay the  
 33 arrearage, which includes an income withholding order under  
 34 IC 31-16-15-2 or IC 31-16-15-2.5; or  
 35 (3) request a hearing under section 33 of this chapter not later  
 36 than twenty (20) days after the date the notice described in  
 37 subsection (a) is mailed;  
 38 the Title IV-D agency shall issue an order to the bureau of motor  
 39 vehicles stating that the obligor is delinquent.  
 40 (c) An order issued under subsection (b) must require the following:  
 41 (1) If the obligor who is the subject of the order holds a driving  
 42 license or permit on the date the order is issued, that the driving



- 1 privileges of the obligor be suspended until further order of the  
 2 Title IV-D agency.
- 3 (2) If the obligor who is the subject of the order does not hold a  
 4 driving license or permit on the date the order is issued, that the  
 5 bureau of motor vehicles may not issue a driving license or permit  
 6 to the obligor until the bureau of motor vehicles receives a further  
 7 order from the Title IV-D agency.
- 8 (d) The Title IV-D agency shall provide the:
- 9 (1) full name;  
 10 (2) date of birth;  
 11 (3) verified address; and  
 12 (4) Social Security number or driving license number;  
 13 of the obligor to the bureau of motor vehicles.
- 14 (e) Whenever the Title IV-D agency finds that an obligor who is an  
 15 applicant (as defined in IC 25-1-1.2-1) or a practitioner (as defined in  
 16 IC 25-1-1.2-6) is delinquent and the applicant or practitioner has failed  
 17 to:
- 18 (1) pay the obligor's child support arrearage in full;  
 19 (2) establish a payment plan with the Title IV-D agency to pay the  
 20 arrearage, which includes an income withholding order under  
 21 IC 31-16-15-2 or IC 31-16-15-2.5; or  
 22 (3) request a hearing under section 33 of this chapter;  
 23 the Title IV-D agency shall issue an order to the board regulating the  
 24 practice of the obligor's profession or occupation stating that the  
 25 obligor is delinquent.
- 26 (f) An order issued under subsection (e) must direct the board or  
 27 department regulating the obligor's profession or occupation to impose  
 28 the appropriate sanctions described under IC 25-1-1.2.
- 29 (g) Whenever the Title IV-D agency finds that an obligor who is an  
 30 attorney or a licensed teacher is delinquent and the attorney or licensed  
 31 teacher has failed to:
- 32 (1) pay the obligor's child support arrearage in full;  
 33 (2) establish a payment plan with the Title IV-D agency to pay the  
 34 arrearage, which includes an income withholding order under  
 35 IC 31-16-15-2 or IC 31-16-15-2.5; or  
 36 (3) request a hearing under section 33 of this chapter;  
 37 the Title IV-D agency shall notify the supreme court disciplinary  
 38 commission if the obligor is an attorney, or the department of education  
 39 if the obligor is a licensed teacher, that the obligor is delinquent.
- 40 (h) Whenever the Title IV-D agency finds that an obligor who holds  
 41 a license issued under IC 4-31-6, IC 4-33, or IC 4-35 has failed to:
- 42 (1) pay the obligor's child support arrearage in full;





- 1 (2) establish a payment plan with the Title IV-D agency to pay the  
 2 arrearage, which includes an income withholding order under  
 3 IC 31-16-15-2 or IC 31-16-15-2.5; or  
 4 (3) request a hearing under section 33 of this chapter;  
 5 the Title IV-D agency shall issue an order to the Indiana horse racing  
 6 commission if the obligor holds a license issued under IC 4-31-6, or to  
 7 the Indiana gaming commission if the obligor holds a license issued  
 8 under IC 4-33 or IC 4-35, stating that the obligor is delinquent and  
 9 directing the commission to impose the appropriate sanctions described  
 10 in IC 4-31-6-11, IC 4-33-8.5-3, or IC 4-35-6.7-2.
- 11 (i) Whenever the Title IV-D agency finds that an obligor who holds  
 12 a license issued under IC 27-1-15.6, IC 27-1-15.8, or IC 27-10-3 has  
 13 failed to:  
 14 (1) pay the obligor's child support arrearage in full;  
 15 (2) establish a payment plan with the Title IV-D agency to pay the  
 16 arrearage, which includes an income withholding order under  
 17 IC 31-16-15-2 or IC 31-16-15-2.5; or  
 18 (3) request a hearing under section 33 of this chapter;  
 19 the Title IV-D agency shall issue an order to the commissioner of the  
 20 department of insurance stating that the obligor is delinquent and  
 21 directing the commissioner to impose the appropriate sanctions  
 22 described in IC 27-1-15.6-29 or IC 27-10-3-20.
- 23 (j) Whenever the Title IV-D agency finds that an obligor who holds  
 24 a license issued by the department of natural resources under  
 25 IC 14-22-12, ~~IC 14-22-14~~, IC 14-22-16, ~~IC 14-22-17~~, IC 14-22-19,  
 26 IC 14-24-7, or IC 14-31-3 has failed to:  
 27 (1) pay the obligor's child support arrearage in full;  
 28 (2) establish a payment plan with the Title IV-D agency to pay the  
 29 arrearage, which includes an income withholding order under  
 30 IC 31-16-15-2 or IC 31-16-15-2.5; or  
 31 (3) request a hearing under section 33 of this chapter;  
 32 the Title IV-D agency shall issue an order to the director of the  
 33 department of natural resources stating that the obligor is delinquent  
 34 and directing the director to suspend or revoke a license issued to the  
 35 obligor by the department of natural resources as provided in  
 36 IC 14-11-3.
- 37 (k) If the Title IV-D agency finds that an obligor who holds an  
 38 employee's permit issued under IC 7.1-3-18-9(a)(3) has failed to:  
 39 (1) pay the obligor's child support arrearage in full;  
 40 (2) establish a payment plan with the Title IV-D agency to pay the  
 41 arrearage, which includes an income withholding order under  
 42 IC 31-16-15-2 or IC 31-16-15-2.5; or



1 (3) request a hearing under section 33 of this chapter;  
 2 the Title IV-D agency shall issue an order to the alcohol and tobacco  
 3 commission stating that the obligor is delinquent and directing the  
 4 alcohol and tobacco commission to impose the appropriate sanctions  
 5 under IC 7.1-3-23-44.

6 (l) A person's most recent address on file with the bureau constitutes  
 7 a verified address for purposes of this section.

8 (m) When an obligor who was the subject of an order issued by the  
 9 Title IV-D agency under subsection (b), (e), (g), (h), (i), (j), or (k) has:

10 (1) paid the obligor's child support arrearage in full; or

11 (2) established a payment plan with the Title IV-D agency to pay  
 12 the arrearage, which includes an income withholding order under  
 13 IC 31-16-15-2 or IC 31-16-15-2.5;

14 the Title IV-D agency shall provide notice to the appropriate entity  
 15 under subsection (b), (e), (g), (h), (i), (j), or (k) that the obligor has  
 16 addressed the delinquency.

17 SECTION 56. IC 31-25-4-34, AS AMENDED BY P.L.150-2018,  
 18 SECTION 20, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 19 JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 34. (a) As used in this section, "board" has the  
 20 meaning set forth in IC 25-1-1.2-2.

21 (b) If an obligor holds a license issued by a board and requests a  
 22 hearing under section 33 of this chapter but fails to appear or appears  
 23 and is found to be delinquent, the Title IV-D agency shall issue an  
 24 order to the board that issued the obligor's license:

25 (1) stating that the obligor is delinquent; and

26 (2) requiring the board to comply with the actions required under  
 27 IC 25-1-1.2-8.

28 (c) If an obligor holds a license issued under IC 4-31-6, IC 4-33, or  
 29 IC 4-35 and requests a hearing under section 33 of this chapter but fails  
 30 to appear or appears and is found to be delinquent, the Title IV-D  
 31 agency shall issue an order to the:

32 (1) Indiana horse racing commission, if the obligor holds a license  
 33 issued under IC 4-31-6; or

34 (2) Indiana gaming commission, if the obligor holds a license  
 35 issued under IC 4-33 or IC 4-35;

36 stating that the obligor is delinquent and requiring the commission to  
 37 comply with the actions required under IC 4-31-6-11, IC 4-33-8.5-3, or  
 38 IC 4-35-6.7-2.

39 (d) If an obligor holds a license issued under IC 27-1-15.6,  
 40 IC 27-1-15.8, or IC 27-10-3 and requests a hearing under section 33 of  
 41 this chapter but fails to appear or appears and is found to be delinquent,  
 42 the Title IV-D agency shall issue an order to the commissioner of the



1 department of insurance:  
 2 (1) stating that the obligor is delinquent; and  
 3 (2) requiring the commissioner to comply with the actions  
 4 required under IC 27-1-15.6-29 or IC 27-10-3-20.  
 5 (e) If an obligor holds a license issued by the department of natural  
 6 resources under IC 14-22-12, ~~IC 14-22-14~~, IC 14-22-16, ~~IC 14-22-17~~,  
 7 IC 14-22-19, IC 14-24-7, or IC 14-31-3 and requests a hearing under  
 8 section 33 of this chapter but fails to appear, or appears and is found to  
 9 be delinquent, the Title IV-D agency shall issue an order to the director  
 10 of the department of natural resources:  
 11 (1) stating that the obligor is delinquent; and  
 12 (2) requiring the director to suspend or revoke a license issued by  
 13 the department as provided in IC 14-11-3.  
 14 (f) If an obligor:  
 15 (1) holds an employee's permit issued under IC 7.1-3-18-9(a)(3);  
 16 and  
 17 (2) requests a hearing under section 33 of this chapter but fails to  
 18 appear or appears and is found to be delinquent;  
 19 the Title IV-D agency shall issue an order to the alcohol and tobacco  
 20 commission stating that the obligor is delinquent and requiring the  
 21 commission to impose the appropriate sanctions under IC 7.1-3-23-44.  
 22 (g) When an obligor who was the subject of an order issued by the  
 23 Title IV-D agency under subsection (b), (c), (d), (e), or (f) has:  
 24 (1) paid the obligor's child support arrearage in full; or  
 25 (2) established a payment plan with the Title IV-D agency to pay  
 26 the arrearage, which includes an income withholding order under  
 27 IC 31-16-15-2 or IC 31-16-15-2.5;  
 28 the Title IV-D agency shall provide notice to the appropriate entity  
 29 under subsection (b), (c), (d), (e), or (f) that the obligor has addressed  
 30 the delinquency.  
 31 SECTION 57. IC 35-52-14-25 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY  
 32 1, 2022]. ~~Sec. 25. IC 14-22-14-22 defines a crime concerning fishing~~  
 33 ~~licenses.~~  
 34 SECTION 58. IC 35-52-14-26.5 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE  
 35 JULY 1, 2022]. ~~Sec. 26.5. IC 14-22-17-2 defines a crime concerning~~  
 36 ~~mussel licenses.~~



## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Natural Resources, to which was referred House Bill 1103, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, delete lines 1 through 15.

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 4.

Page 12, between lines 9 and 10, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION. 46. IC 14-28-1-22, AS AMENDED BY P.L.21-2021, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 22. (a) As used in subsection (b)(1) with respect to a stream, "total length" means the length of the stream, expressed in miles, from the confluence of the stream with the receiving stream to the upstream or headward extremity of the stream, as indicated by the solid or dashed, blue or purple line depicting the stream on the most current edition of the seven and one-half (7 1/2) minute topographic quadrangle map published by the United States Geological Survey, measured along the meanders of the stream as depicted on the map.

(b) This section does not apply to the following:

- (1) A reconstruction or maintenance project (as defined in IC 36-9-27) on a stream or an open regulated drain if the total length of the stream or open drain is not more than ten (10) miles.
- (2) A construction or reconstruction project on a state or county highway bridge in a rural area that crosses a stream having an upstream drainage area of not more than fifty (50) square miles and the relocation of utility lines associated with the construction or reconstruction project if confined to an area not more than one hundred (100) feet from the limits of the highway construction right-of-way.
- (3) The performance of an activity described in subsection (c)(1) or (c)(2) by a surface coal mining operation that is operated under a permit issued under IC 14-34.
- (4) Any other activity that is determined by the commission, according to rules adopted under IC 4-22-2, to pose not more than a minimal threat to floodway areas.
- (5) An activity in a boundary river floodway to which section 26.5 of this chapter applies.
- (6) The removal of a logjam or mass of wood debris that has accumulated in a river or stream, subject to the following conditions:
  - (A) Work must not be within a salmonid stream designated



under 327 IAC 2-1.5-5 without the prior written approval of the department's division of fish and wildlife.

(B) Work must not be within a natural, scenic, or recreational river or stream designated under 312 IAC 7-2.

(C) Except as otherwise provided in Indiana law, free logs or affixed logs that are crossways in the channel must be cut, relocated, and removed from the floodplain. Logs may be maintained in the floodplain if properly anchored or otherwise secured so as to resist flotation or dislodging by the flow of water and placement in an area that is not a wetland. Logs must be removed and secured with a minimum of damage to vegetation.

(D) Isolated or single logs that are embedded, lodged, or rooted in the channel, and that do not span the channel or cause flow problems, must not be removed unless the logs are either of the following:

(i) Associated with or in close proximity to larger obstructions.

(ii) Posing a hazard to **agriculture, business, navigation, or property.**

(E) A leaning or severely damaged tree that is in immediate danger of falling into the waterway may be cut and removed. ~~if the tree is associated with or in close proximity to an obstruction.~~ The root system and stump of the tree must be left in place.

(F) To the extent practicable, the construction of access roads must be minimized, and should not result in the elevation of the floodplain.

(G) To the extent practicable, work should be performed exclusively from one (1) side of a waterway. Crossing the bed of a waterway is prohibited.

(H) To prevent the flow of sediment laden water back into the waterway, appropriate sediment control measures must be installed.

(I) Within fifteen (15) days, all bare and disturbed areas must be revegetated with a mixture of grasses and legumes. Tall fescue must not be used under this subdivision, except that low endophyte tall fescue may be used in the bottom of the waterway and on side slopes.

(c) A person who desires to:

(1) erect, make, use, or maintain a structure, an obstruction, a deposit, or an excavation; or



(2) suffer or permit a structure, an obstruction, a deposit, or an excavation to be erected, made, used, or maintained; in or on a floodway must file with the director a verified written application for a permit accompanied by a nonrefundable minimum fee of two hundred dollars (\$200).

(d) The application for a permit must set forth the material facts together with plans and specifications for the structure, obstruction, deposit, or excavation.

(e) An applicant must receive a permit from the director for the work before beginning construction. The director shall issue a permit only if in the opinion of the director the applicant has clearly proven that the structure, obstruction, deposit, or excavation will not do any of the following:

- (1) Adversely affect the efficiency of or unduly restrict the capacity of the floodway.
- (2) Constitute an unreasonable hazard to the safety of life or property.
- (3) Result in unreasonably detrimental effects upon fish, wildlife, or botanical resources.

(f) In deciding whether to issue a permit under this section, the director shall consider the cumulative effects of the structure, obstruction, deposit, or excavation. The director may incorporate in and make a part of an order of authorization conditions and restrictions that the director considers necessary for the purposes of this chapter.

(g) A permit issued under this section:

- (1) is valid for two (2) years after the issuance of the permit;
- (2) to:
  - (A) the Indiana department of transportation or a county highway department if there is any federal funding for the project; or
  - (B) an electric utility for the construction of a power generating facility;

is valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance; and

- (3) is valid for the duration of a permitted project subject to periodic compliance evaluations for a quarrying or aggregate company for the excavation of industrial materials, including:
  - (A) clay and shale;
  - (B) crushed limestone and dolostone;
  - (C) dimension limestone;
  - (D) dimension sandstone;
  - (E) gypsum;
  - (F) peat;



(G) construction sand and gravel; and

(H) industrial sand.

However, a permit issued under this section expires if construction is not commenced within two (2) years after the permit is issued. Except as provided under section 22.1 of this chapter, a permit that is active and was issued under subdivision (1) before July 1, 2014, is valid for two (2) years beginning July 2014, and a permit that is active and was issued under subdivision (2) before July 1, 2014, is valid for five (5) years beginning July 2014.

(h) The holder of a permit issued under subsection (g)(3) shall notify the commission within six (6) months of completing the permitted project.

(i) A permit issued under:

(1) subsection (g)(1) may be renewed one (1) time for a period not to exceed two (2) additional years; and

(2) subsection (g)(2) may be renewed one (1) time for a period not to exceed five (5) additional years.

(j) The director shall send a copy of each permit issued under this section to each river basin commission organized under:

(1) IC 14-29-7 or IC 13-2-27 (before its repeal); or

(2) IC 14-13-9, IC 14-30-1 (before its repeal), or IC 36-7-6 (before its repeal);

that is affected.

(k) The permit holder shall post and maintain a permit issued under this section at the authorized site.

(l) For the purposes of this chapter, the lowest floor of a building, including a residence or abode, that is to be constructed or reconstructed in the one hundred (100) year floodplain of an area protected by a levee that is:

(1) inspected; and

(2) found to be in good or excellent condition;

by the United States Army Corps of Engineers shall not be lower than the one hundred (100) year frequency flood elevation plus one (1) foot.

SECTION 47. IC 14-28-1-23, AS AMENDED BY P.L.90-2020, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 23. (a) The director may remove or eliminate a structure, an obstruction, a deposit, or an excavation in a floodway that:

(1) adversely affects the efficiency of or unduly restricts the capacity of the floodway;

(2) constitutes an unreasonable hazard to the safety of life or property; or

(3) is unreasonably detrimental to fish, wildlife, or botanical



resources;  
by an action in condemnation.

(b) In assessing the damages in the proceedings, the appraisers and the court shall take into consideration whether the structure, obstruction, deposit, or excavation is legally in or on the floodway.

(c) Beginning ~~January 1, 2020~~, **January 1, 2022**, the director shall not exercise the authority under subsection (a) to remove or eliminate an abode or residence from a floodway if:

- (1) the abode or residence was constructed before ~~January 1, 2020~~; **January 1, 2022**;
- (2) the owner of the abode or residence has taken necessary measures to elevate the lowest floor of the abode or residence, as reconstructed, including the basement, to at least two (2) feet above the one hundred (100) year flood elevation within two (2) years after receiving notification from the department concerning the abode or residence; and
- (3) the owner of the abode or residence has taken necessary measures to comply with all applicable local, state, and federal floodway regulations.

SECTION 48. IC 14-28-1-39 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: **Sec. 39. (a) Before July 1, 2023, the department shall adopt a license for the following activities in a floodway:**

- (1) Removal of trees.**
- (2) Channel maintenance.**
- (3) Bank reconstruction, repair, and stabilization.**

**(b) This section expires July 1, 2024.**

SECTION 49. IC 14-28-1-40 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: **Sec. 40. A local floodplain administrator shall utilize the best floodplain mapping data available as provided by the department and located on the Indiana Floodplain Information Portal when reviewing a permit application for a structure or a construction activity in, or near, a floodplain."**

Page 12, delete lines 37 through 42.

Page 13, delete lines 1 through 3.

Re-number all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.





(Reference is to HB 1103 as introduced.)

EBERHART

Committee Vote: yeas 11, nays 1.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Natural Resources, to which was referred House Bill No. 1103, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill DO PASS.

(Reference is to HB 1103 as printed January 24, 2022.)

GLICK, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0

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SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Engrossed House Bill 1103 be amended to read as follows:

Page 2, delete lines 12 through 33.

Re-number all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to EHB 1103 as printed February 22, 2022.)

GLICK

