



**House
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APPOINTMENT OF DNR DIRECTOR

House Bills 4074 and 4075

Sponsor: Rep. Tom Alley

**Committee: Conservation, Recreation &
Environment**

Complete to 2-7-91

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILLS 4074 AND 4075 AS INTRODUCED 2-5-91

House Bill 4074 would amend Public Act 17 of 1921 (MCL 299.1), which created the Commission of Natural Resources, to delete a provision requiring the commission to hire a director of the Department of Natural Resources and, instead, would require the governor to appoint the director. Other provisions requiring commission members to be confirmed by the Senate, and requiring members to reside in certain areas of the state, would be deleted. Under the bill, commission members would be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. Also, not more than four of the commission's seven members could be members of the same political party.

House Bill 4075 would amend the Executive Organization Act (MCL 16.355) to delete a provision requiring the commission to appoint the DNR director and, instead, would specify that the director would have to be appointed by the governor and would serve at his or her pleasure. The bills are tie-barred to each other.