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**REGULATE DNR BURNS**

**House Bill 4002**

**Sponsor: Rep. David Anthony**

**Committee: Conservation, Environment  
and Natural Resources**

**Complete to 2-1-95**

**A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4002 AS INTRODUCED 1-11-95**

House Bill 4002 would create an act to prohibit the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) from conducting a "prescribed burn" without alerting local residents on the purpose and anticipated consequences of the burn and allowing them to express their opinions at a public hearing. (A "prescribed burn" would be defined under the bill to mean a fire that is intentionally set by the DNR on state-owned property to aid in implementing land use management goals). Under the bill, the DNR would be required to provide public notice 30 days prior to any prescribed burn that was scheduled to occur within a designated one-week period. In addition, a buffer zone of at least five acres would be required between a projected burn area and adjoining privately owned property.

House Bill 4002 (2-1-95)