

**NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 451 of 1994**

**324.50301 Duties of departments of agriculture and rural development and natural resources.**

Sec. 50301. The departments of agriculture and rural development and natural resources shall jointly do all of the following:

- (a) Advise the legislature and the governor on forest management and development and other matters relevant to the development of the forest products industry in this state.
- (b) Develop a forestry development plan to improve the state's business climate for forestry, assure a stable timber supply, and coordinate public and private forestry activities.
- (c) Identify the needs of the forest products industry.
- (d) Promote and encourage the expansion of the forest products industry in this state.
- (e) Promote and encourage the retention and expansion of existing forest products companies in this state and attract new forest products companies to locate in this state.
- (f) Perform other functions the departments consider necessary for the development of the forest products industry in this state.
- (g) Promote and encourage the use of this state's value-added forest products in Michigan, in other states, and internationally.

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