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**2009 Assembly Bill 138**

**Senate Amendment 1**

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Under current law, the secretary of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is nominated by the Governor, and with the advice and consent of the Senate appointed, to serve at the pleasure of the governor. Under **2009 Assembly Bill 138**, the Natural Resources Board (NRB) would appoint the secretary to a four-year term. The secretary in office when the bill takes effect would serve a four-year term beginning when he or she was appointed.

Under **Senate Amendment 1**, the NRB would nominate the DNR secretary who would be appointed by the advice and consent of the Senate.

### *Legislative History*

Assembly Bill 138 was recommended for passage by the Assembly Committee on Natural Resources by a vote of Ayes, 10; Noes, 4, and passed by the Assembly by a vote of Ayes, 61; Noes, 32; Paired, 4.

Senate Amendment 1 was introduced and recommended for adoption by the Senate Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Forestry, and Natural Resources by a vote of Ayes, 7; Noes, 0. The committee recommended concurrence in the bill, as amended, by a vote of Ayes, 5; Noes, 2.

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