



HOUSE BILL 103: 2022 Appropriations Act, Sec. 15.1: Chronic Wasting Disease Report

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Committee:		Date:	July 28, 2022
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Analysis of:	Sec. 15.1 of S.L. 2022-74		

OVERVIEW: Section 15.1 of S.L. 2022-74 directs the Wildlife Resources Commission (WRC) to report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources and the Fiscal Research Division no later than September 15th of each year in which WRC receives State funds to combat, monitor, or contain an outbreak of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD).

This section became effective July 1, 2022.

CURRENT LAW & BILL ANALYSIS:

Section 7 of S.L. 2021-160 provided that WRC can declare a wildlife emergency if the Commission determines that an outbreak of CWD in the State constitutes a significant threat to deer and other cervid species. Upon declaration of a wildlife emergency, WRC can request State funding from a Council of State fund for immediate investigation, containment, and eradication of the outbreak.

For the 2022–2023 fiscal year, WRC received \$201,232 in recurring funds and \$750,000 in nonrecurring funds to combat CWD in the State.

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EFFECTIVE DATE: This section became effective July 1, 2022.

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