

SENATE BILL 22: Rename Outdoor Heritage Advisory Council.

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House

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OVERVIEW: Senate Bill 22 would:

• Rename the Outdoor Heritage Advisory Council as the North Carolina Youth Outdoor Engagement Commission.

- Rename the North Carolina Outdoor Heritage Trust Fund for Youth Outdoor Heritage Promotion as the North Carolina Youth Outdoor Engagement Fund.
- Authorize the North Carolina Youth Outdoor Engagement Commission to use grants and programming to promote youth outdoor recreational activities.

CURRENT LAW: Part 36 of Article 7 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes establishes the Outdoor Heritage Advisory Council (Council) within the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission for organizational and budgetary purposes only. The Council consists of 13 appointed members, who advise State agencies and the General Assembly on the promotion of outdoor recreational activities to preserve North Carolina's outdoor heritage for future generations. The Outdoor Heritage Advisory Council was established in 2015.

BILL ANALYSIS: Senate Bill 22 would rename the Outdoor Heritage Advisory Council as the North Carolina Youth Outdoor Engagement Commission (Commission) and rename the North Carolina Outdoor Heritage Trust Fund for Youth Outdoor Heritage Promotion as the North Carolina Youth Outdoor Engagement Fund. It would also authorize the Commission to use grants and programming to promote youth outdoor recreational activities.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This bill would become effective when it becomes law.

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