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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR STATE REGISTRATION OF CONSULTING  
3 FORESTERS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. G.S. 89B-2 reads as rewritten:

6 **"§ 89B-2. Definitions.**

7 As used in this Chapter:

8 (1) 'Board' shall mean the State Board of Registration for Foresters,  
9 provided for by this Chapter.

10 (2) 'Forester' means a person who by reason of his special knowledge and  
11 training in natural sciences, mathematics, silviculture, forest  
12 protection, forest mensuration, forest management, forest economics,  
13 and forest utilization is qualified to engage in the practice of forestry  
14 as hereinafter defined.

15 (3) 'Practicing' means giving professional forestry services, including but  
16 not limited to, consultation, investigation, evaluation, education,  
17 planning, or responsible supervision of any forestry activities requiring  
18 knowledge, and training in and experience of forestry principles and  
19 techniques.

20 (4) 'Registered forester' means a person who has been registered pursuant  
21 to this Chapter.

22 (5) 'Consulting forester' means a person who:

- 1           a. Is registered by the State Board of Registration for Foresters;  
2           b. Is a technically educated professional forester who is a graduate  
3           of a forestry curriculum of a college or university and who  
4           holds a bachelor's or higher degree in forestry; or has shown  
5           equivalent knowledge by passing the written examination  
6           administered by the State Board of Registration for Foresters as  
7           provided in this Chapter;  
8           c. Is governed by the Code of Ethics of the Society of American  
9           Foresters;  
10          d. Is competent to practice forest management, appraisal,  
11          development, marketing, protection, and utilization for the  
12          benefit of the general public on a fee, contractual, or  
13          contingency basis;  
14          e. Has not engaged in any practice that constitutes a conflict of  
15          interest or in any way diminishes his ability to represent the best  
16          interests of his clients; and  
17          f. Has filed annually an affidavit with the State Board of  
18          Registration of Foresters attesting to his compliance with the  
19          conditions of this Chapter."

20                Sec. 2. This act shall become effective October 1, 1989, and shall apply to  
21 applications for registration submitted on or after that date.