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An act relating to the membership of the Clean Water Fund Board

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 10 V.S.A. § 1389 is amended to read:

§ 1389. CLEAN WATER FUND BOARD

(a) Creation. There is created a Clean Water Fund Board which shall recommend to the Secretary of Administration expenditures from the Clean Water Fund. The Clean Water Fund Board shall be attached to the Agency of Administration for administrative purposes.

(b) Organization of the Board. The Clean Water Fund Board shall be composed of:

(1) ~~the~~ The Secretary of Administration or designee;

(2) ~~the~~ The Secretary of Natural Resources or designee;

(3) ~~the~~ The Secretary of Agriculture, Food and Markets or designee;

(4) ~~the~~ The Secretary of Commerce and Community Development or designee; ~~and~~.

(5) ~~the~~ The Secretary of Transportation or designee.

(6) Three members of the public or the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House, each of whom shall be from a separate major watershed of the State. At least one of the members appointed under this subdivision shall be a municipal official.

(7) Three members of the public or the Senate appointed by the Committee on Committees, each of whom shall be from a separate major watershed of the State. At least one of the members appointed under this subdivision shall be a municipal official.

(c) Terms; public members. Members of the Clean Water Fund Board shall be appointed for terms of three years, except initially, appointments shall be made such that two members appointed by the Speaker shall be appointed for a term of two years, and two members appointed by the Committee on Committees shall be appointed for a term of one year. Vacancies on the Board shall be filled for the remaining period of the term in the same manner as initial appointments.

(d) Officers; committees; rules; reimbursement.

(1) The Clean Water Fund Board shall annually elect a chair from its members. The Clean Water Fund Board may elect additional officers from its members, establish committees or subcommittees, and adopt procedural rules as necessary and appropriate to perform its work.

(2) Members of the Board who are not employees of the State of Vermont and who are not otherwise compensated or reimbursed for their attendance shall be entitled to per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 1010 paid from the budget of the Agency of Administration for attendance of meetings of the Board.

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Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.