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1 Sec. X. 10 V.S.A. § 4041 is amended to read:

2 § 4041. DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE; FISH AND WILDLIFE
3 BOARD; MEMBERS, TERM, CHAIR

4 (a) There is hereby established a Department of Fish and Wildlife which
5 shall be administered by the Commissioner.

6 (b) There is hereby established a Fish and Wildlife Board. The Board shall
7 consist of 14 20 members, one from each county appointed by the Governor
8 with the advice and consent of the Senate. The members of the Board shall be
9 appointed for a term of six years, or unexpired portion thereof, and during their
10 terms shall reside in the county from which they are appointed consist of:

- 11 (1) 14 members, one from each county of the State.
- 12 (2) 6 non-consumptive users of wildlife, one from each of the following
13 geographic areas of the State:
 - 14 (A) North of Rt. 2 and West of RT 100;
 - 15 (B) North of Rt. 2 and East of Rt. 100;
 - 16 (C) North of Rt. 4 and West of Rt. 100;
 - 17 (D) North of Rt. 4 and East of Rt. 100;
 - 18 (E) South of Rt. 4 and West of Rt. 100; and
 - 19 (F) South of Rt. 4 and East of Rt. 100.

20 (c) The members of the Board shall be appointed for a term of six years, or
21 unexpired portion thereof. During their terms the members of the Board shall

1 reside in the county or geographic area from which he or she is appointed. In
2 the event a member no longer resides in the county or geographic area from
3 which he or she was appointed, the Governor shall appoint a member from that
4 county or geographic area for the unexpired portion of the term. Appointments
5 shall be made in such manner that either two or three terms shall expire each
6 year. A member serving a full six-year term shall not be eligible for
7 reappointment. The Governor shall biennially designate a chair.

8 (d) As used in this section, “non-consumptive user of wildlife” means any
9 use of wildlife other than hunting, fishing, or other extraction, including
10 photography, bird watching, and wildlife photography.

11 Sec. X. EFFECTIVE DATE

12 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.