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TO: Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Energy FROM: Put Blodgett, Bradford forest landowner and Tree Farmer RE: S.237 Forest Omnibus bill

Page 8, line 9 HARVEST NOTIFICATION—there is great concern that this never evolves into a permitting system (unnecessary government regulation)

Page 8, lines 11, 12 & 13—does FPR have the staff to turn these around in a week?

Page 9, lines 14 & 15, #8—would require a consulting forester to make a cruise and a tally. This would be a considerable expense to the landowner and what does it accomplish when the mill scale will give an accurate accounting?

Page 10, lines 13 & 14—pretty severe for merely violating a notification form

Page 11, lines 10 & 11—volume cannot be measured until delivered to the mill

Page 11 to top of 12, lines20, 21 & 1—cannot "require a trip ticket prior to first measurement" that requires a volume measurement on the trip ticket

Page 23, lines 10 & 11—an opening for nuisance lawsuits regarding view or noise from operations from those opposed to timber harvesting.