Sportsman's Alert – House Bill 2008

Thank you, if you made calls on Friday.

Now we need you to make two critical phone calls starting on Monday at 8AM - regarding House Bill 2008.

First Call to the Governor's secretary with the message, you oppose House Bill 2008 until the Division of Natural Resources is <u>exempted</u> from the removal of civil service protections.

Phone: 304-558-2000

Second call to Speaker Roger Hanshaw's secretary

Phone: (304) 340-3210

With the message: Please do not concur with House Bill 2008 unless the entire Division of Natural Resources retains their civil service protections.

- House Bill 2008 is dangerously close to passing and would negatively impact the Division of Natural Resources by removing civil service protections from current employees if they try to advance in their careers and impact recruiting for new hires beginning July 1, 2025.
- Removing civil service protections would enable political hiring and firing at will in retribution for making sound wildlife management recommendations to the Natural Resources Commission.
- Politics should not be involved in managing the state's valuable wildlife resources.
- Employees should not fear their jobs are at risk when making wildlife management proposals.

We are asking for all

DNR employees to retain their civil service protections

Share this with friends and family who hunt and fish and ask them to make phone calls also!