

# Citizen Resolution # 080222

(For Hearing Officer completion)



## Enforce Limited Term for Natural Resources Board Members

Conservation in Wisconsin relies upon the actions and decisions of volunteer members of the WI Natural Resources Board (NRB). The NRB serves as the policy setting body for the DNR. The NRB consists of 7 members, appointed by the Governor, and confirmed by the Senate, who serve 6 year staggered terms. Recent events have exposed an oversight which allowed a member to continue to sit on the board, and vote on policy decisions after their term expires. Remaining in their seat blocks the appointed replacement member from taking their place on the board. These actions unjustly politicize the board, and erode trust in this important and time honored system. This resolution proposes that; 1.) Any member of the Natural Resources Board will immediately vacate their seat at the end of their appointed term. 2.) The appointed replacement member is to serve as a voting member of the board immediately and until the Senate votes to confirm or deny the appointment, as has been done since the inception of the board.

### Do you support having the Conservation Congress work to limit the actions of board members to only within their appointed term?

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