

DRAFTER'S NOTE
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This redraft is in response to DNR's suggested revisions dated September 23, 1999.

DNR asked that the word "something" in the definition of "carbon reserve" be replaced with the phrase "any natural or man-made system" on the grounds that this makes the definition more precise and scientific. I did not include "natural or man-made" because those words do not add any meaning to the proposed statute, unless there are "systems" that are neither natural nor man-made. I did use the word "system", although I am not certain what the effect of that change is. What is the meaning of "system" in this context? Are there things that take in and store carbon that are not "systems"? If so, those things will not be considered carbon reserves under this redraft. If anything that takes in carbon should be considered a carbon reserve, that is what the draft should say.

I have done some restructuring of the draft to accommodate DNR's other suggested changes.

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