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This is the draft relating to membership on the natural resources board. As drafted, a majority of the members of the board could end up deriving a significant portion of their incomes from air pollution permits because the limitation only applies at the time that a member is appointed.

As under current law, "significant portion of his or her income" is not defined. This prevents the law from being clear. When deciding whether to confirm a nominee, the senate can determine how much a "significant portion" of income is on a case—by—case basis, I suppose. However, it would be difficult to tell when someone must leave the board because of receiving income from permit holders.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

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