

*Resolved*, That all expenses incurred by said committee in continuing its activities shall be paid from the unexpended balance of the appropriation which was made to it by chapter 254 of the laws of 1925.

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[Jt. Res. No. 4, A.]

No. 69, 1927.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Providing for a special joint committee on forestry and public lands.

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WHEREAS, The problem of reforestation is one of the most important which now confronts this state; and

WHEREAS, A large number of proposals for dealing with this problem have been made by the interim committee on administration and taxation and many more bills and resolutions upon this subject will doubtless be offered during the present session; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring*, That a special joint committee is hereby constituted, to consist of two members of the Senate and three members of the Assembly, to be appointed in the manner that standing committees are appointed. Said committee shall investigate and study the situation regarding forestry in this state, and all problems connected with reforestation, fire prevention and forest taxation, and also the subject of the utilization and taxation of the public lands in Wisconsin, with a view to formulating and recommending a consistent and practicable forestry and public land policy;

That said committee is authorized to hold such meetings at such places and at such dates as it may deem expedient, and any member of said committee shall have power to administer oaths to persons appearing before it;

That said committee may by subpoena, issued over the signature of its chairman and served in the manner in which circuit court subpoenas are served, summon and compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of all books, papers, documents

and records necessary or convenient to be examined or used by them in the course of the discharge of their duties;

That said committee shall have power to call upon the services of any department, board, commission or officer of the state in the conduct of such investigation and all such departments, boards, commissions and officers shall promptly furnish any and all information which may be called for and give to the committee such assistance as they can render;

That said committee shall have power to employ necessary stenographers and assistants and fix their compensation;

That each member of said committee be reimbursed by the state for his actual and necessary traveling expenses, but shall receive no compensation for time devoted to the work of the committee;

That said committee shall begin its investigations as soon as possible after passage of this resolution and shall make such recommendations and report such bills as it may deem advisable at any time during the present session of the legislature. In the event that said committee shall not have completed its work by the time of final adjournment, it shall be and is hereby continued as an interim committee of this legislature. The final report of the committee, together with any proposed bills which it may recommend, shall be sent to each member and member-elect of the 1929 legislature at least thirty days prior to the convening of such session.

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[Jt. Res. No. 5, A.]

No. 70, 1927.

### JOINT RESOLUTION

Providing for a special joint committee on water power.

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WHEREAS, Water power is one of the important natural resources of this state which is rendered all the more valuable because Wisconsin is one of the few industrial states which has no coal; and