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COMMENTS RECEIVED AND RESPONSES

1. "I have the following comment concerning the proposed amendment -I would like to see the Sunset Clause removed. It is unnecessary and is an avenue for unscrupulous legislators to dissolve the the Board. This has already been attempted more than once."

RESPONSE - The sunset statement is required and mandated by W. Va. Code §29A-3-19 for most roles and all rules in Chapter 30, which is where our Board is located in Code.

2. "TO BORF, First your "Click Here" for comments does not work. Second. I wish you would have explained the changes in more detail. I have no problem with the new fee structure, however, I question what is planned with the Sunset Legislation. I am opposed to any rule change that sets a timeline for sunseting the BORF. Thank You."

RESPONSE – The Board appreciates the commenter bringing the website issue to our attention. The link was functional at the time of posting, and comments were successfully received through other available submission methods. Additional information regarding the proposed changes has been provided through the official rule notice and supporting materials. The sunset provision is required and mandated by W. Va. Code §29A-3-19 for most rules, including those under Chapter 30, where the Board of Registration for Foresters is located. This provision applies to the rule itself and does not affect the existence or authority of the Board.

3. "Thank you! I am assuming the sunset provision isn't negotiable? Exactly how would that work vs what current language states?"

RESPONSE – The sunset provision is required and mandated by W. Va. Code §29A-3-19 for most rules, including those under Chapter 30, where the Board of Registration for Foresters

is located. The current rule does not contain a sunset provision and remains in effect until amended. The proposed rule adds a sunset provision requiring periodic review and reauthorization of the rule through the legislative rulemaking process. This provision applies to the rule itself and does not affect the existence or authority of the Board.

4. “I was a WV BORF member for well over a decade and we always were very careful and deliberate in make changes through the Rules or Legislative process and in all matters. I am confident that this Bard membership is as well. It is my assumption that these steps are proposed because they are deemed necessary and probably the minimum needed. Therefore, I support the proposed changes and congratulate the Board membership on being thoughtful and responsible to the needs of the Board, its Licensees, and the public. Sincerely,”

RESPONSE – The Board appreciates the commenter’s support of the proposed rule.