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by deleting the amendatory language of § 4-3-3101 in SECTION 1 and substituting instead the following:

(a) In order to advance as an official policy of this state the protection of native fish species, the fishing and boating recreation industries in this state, and the well-being of persons who seek to enjoy the use of the waters of the state through the removal of bighead carp, black carp, grass carp, and silver carp, collectively referred to as "Asian carp", from the waters of the state, there is hereby created the Asian carp advisory commission, to be composed of the following members:

(1) The executive director of the Tennessee wildlife resources agency, or the executive director's designee;

(2) The commissioner of environment and conservation, or the commissioner's designee;

(3) The commissioner of tourism, or the commissioner's designee;

(4) The commissioner of economic and community development, or the commissioner's designee;

(5) The chair of the Tennessee fish and wildlife commission, or the chair's designee;

(6) One (1) person appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;

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(7) One (1) person appointed by the speaker of the senate;
(8) One (1) person appointed by the governor;
(9) One (1) representative from the Tennessee valley authority, to
be appointed by the governor; and

(10) One (1) representative from the United States corps of
engineers, to be appointed by the governor.

(b) The member appointed by the governor under subdivision (a)(8) shall
serve as the chair of the advisory commission and shall have the title "Asian carp
czar".

(c) The executive director of the Tennessee wildlife resources agency, or
the executive director's designee shall call the first meeting of the advisory
commission. The chair shall call all subsequent meetings of the advisory
commission. The advisory commission shall meet no less than two (2) times per
year.

(d) In the event of a vacancy on the advisory commission, the executive
director of the Tennessee wildlife resources agency shall cause the appropriate
appointing authority to be notified so that a replacement member may be
appointed.

(e) For administrative purposes only, the advisory commission shall be
attached to the Tennessee wildlife resources agency.

(f) Unless extended by the general assembly, the advisory commission is abolished and this part is repealed on June 30, 2024.