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Subject: H4082 - talking points

- Earmarks 2.25% of Insurance Premium Tax receipts for the Forestry Commission's firefighting programs
 - Applies for 4 years: FY 2013-14 through FY 2016-17
 - Diverts about \$2.9 million/year from the General Fund
- Executive Budget recommended a \$2.4 million operating increase in FY 2012-13, plus \$3 million for equipment (Capital Reserve Fund)
- **The two main arguments against this bill:**
 - **Putting spending on autopilot reduces our ability to react to revenue shortfalls and recessions**
 - **The Forestry Commission is already getting a lot of new money**

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