

Chapter 11: Fish and Game Commission

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§1101. Commission; created; purpose.

There is hereby created a commission to be called the Palau Fish and Game Commission. The Commission is charged with conserving and developing the marine and terrestrial resources of the Republic for the nutritional, economical, and environmental benefit of the people of Palau.

Source: PDC §206(a), modified.

§1102. Same; membership; appointment; compensation; officers.

(a) The Commission shall consist of seven members: the fisheries management biologist, the staff entomologist, and five members appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Olbiil Era Kelulau.

(b) Appointed members shall serve for a term of three years. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy on the Commission shall be appointed to serve the remainder of the term of the person whose position he is filling.

(c) Appointed members shall receive compensation according to law.

(d) The Commission shall elect a chairman or president and such other officers as it may deem necessary.

Source: PDC §206(b), divided into subsections and modified.

§1103. Same; powers and duties.

The Commission shall have the following powers and duties:

- (a) Study the conservation needs of the Republic;
 (b) Study the effectiveness and enforcement of present conservation laws of the Republic;

(c) Issue such rules and regulations as it deems necessary to carry out the provisions of this section and the conservation laws existing in the Republic, which rules and regulations, upon approval by the President, shall have the force and effect of law;

(d) Recommend specific legislation to be enacted by the Olbiil Era Kelulau or the various state legislatures relating to the establishment of minimum sizes or ages of marine life or terrestrial wildlife which may be taken, the establishment of licensing requirements for the taking of marine life or terrestrial wildlife, the establishment of requirements for record keeping and report submitting by persons engaged in commercial activities which include the taking of marine life or terrestrial wildlife, and any other legislation which it deems necessary or desirable to meet the conservation needs of the Republic.

Source: PDC §206(c), modified.

§1104. Same; report to Olbiil Era Kelulau.

The Commission shall submit a report to the Olbiil Era Kelulau, by the first day of each regular session, summarizing its activities since the previous regular session, giving the present status of the enforcement and effectiveness of the conservation laws existing in the Republic, and recommending proposals to meet the conservation needs of the Republic.

Source: PDC §206(d), modified.