

Ley Pompón — Chile's National Peatland Protection Law

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Quality score: 27/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

Chile's 2024 'Ley Pompón' bans peat extraction and regulates Sphagnum moss harvesting across an estimated 3.2-4 million hectares of peatland; an independent investigation found lobbying claims of 20,000+ dependent families dwarfed the 1,357 people actually certified to harvest.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	1/3
Biodiversity — conservation / improvement, evidenced	0/3
Water & soil — retention, infiltration, erosion control	1/3
Fire resilience — risk reduction, evidenced	0/3
Governance, certification & transferability	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-07-16

[Ministry of Agriculture \(SAG\) / Ministry of Environment, Government of Chile](#) — accessed 2026-07-16

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