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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment, Energy and Natural Resources Policy and Finance

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1.1 A bill for an act
 1.2 relating to state lands; adding to and deleting from state parks, state recreation
 1.3 areas, and state forests; authorizing conveyances and public and private sales of
 1.4 certain state and county lands.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. **DELETIONS FROM STATE PARKS.**

1.7 **Subdivision 1. [85.012] [Subd. 28] Interstate State Park, Chisago County.** The
 1.8 following area is deleted from Interstate State Park: that part of Lots 8, 9, and 10 of Block
 1.9 35 of the Plat of the Town of Taylor's Falls, on file and of record in the Chisago County
 1.10 Recorder's Office, described as follows: beginning at the northwest corner of said Lot 10;
 1.11 thence on an assumed bearing of South 08 degrees 05 minutes 41 seconds West 151.46 feet
 1.12 along the west line of said Lots 10, 9, and 8 to the southwest corner of said Lot 8; thence
 1.13 South 89 degrees 51 minutes 29 seconds East 160.00 feet along the south line of said Lot 8;
 1.14 thence North 00 degrees 30 minutes 25 seconds East 150.00 feet to a point which is 140.00
 1.15 feet east of the northwest corner of said Lot 10 as measured along the north line thereof;
 1.16 thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes 29 seconds West 140.00 feet to the point of beginning.

1.17 **Subd. 2. [85.012] [Subd. 40] McCarthy Beach State Park, St. Louis County.**
 1.18 The following area is deleted from McCarthy Beach State Park: that part of Government
 1.19 Lot 1, Section 20, Township 60 North, Range 21 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota,
 1.20 described as follows: commencing at meander corner #6 on the north line of said section;
 1.21 thence North 89 degrees 49 minutes 20 seconds East, assumed bearing, along the north
 1.22 line of said section 100.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 31 degrees 35
 1.23 minutes 24 seconds East 409.70 feet to the centerline of McCarthy Beach Road; thence
 1.24 North 20 degrees 47 minutes 12 seconds East along said centerline 374.52 feet to the north

2.1 line of said section; thence South 89 degrees 49 minutes 20 seconds West along the north
2.2 line of said section 347.53 feet to the point of beginning.

2.3 **Sec. 2. ADDITIONS TO STATE RECREATION AREAS.**

2.4 **Subdivision 1. [85.013] [Subd. 11b] Greenleaf Lake State Recreation Area,**
2.5 **Meeker County.** The following area is added to the Greenleaf Lake State Recreation
2.6 Area, Meeker County: the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter and Government
2.7 Lots 5, 6, 7, and 8, all in Section 20, Township 118 North, Range 30 West, Meeker County,
2.8 Minnesota, LESS AND EXCEPT the following two tracts:

2.9 (1) that part of Government Lot 8, Section 20, Township 118 North, Range 30 West,
2.10 lying North of the south line of said Section 20 and East of a line at right angles to and
2.11 beginning at a point on said line 734.6 feet East of its intersection with the centerline of
2.12 County Road No. 169; and

2.13 (2) all that part of Government Lots 7 and 8 of Section 20, Township 118 North,
2.14 Range 30 West, lying West of County Road No. 169.

2.15 **Subd. 2. [85.013] [Subd. 12a] Iron Range Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation**
2.16 **Area, St. Louis County.** The following areas are added to the Iron Range Off-Highway
2.17 Vehicle Recreation Area:

2.18 (1) that part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 25,
2.19 Township 58 North, Range 17 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota, lying southeasterly
2.20 of the DM & IR Railroad; and

2.21 (2) the East 100 feet of the Southeast Quarter of Section 26, Township 58 North,
2.22 Range 17 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota.

2.23 **Sec. 3. DELETION FROM STATE RECREATION AREA.**

2.24 **[85.013] [Subd. 12a] Iron Range Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area, St.**
2.25 **Louis County.** The following areas are deleted from the Iron Range Off-Highway Vehicle
2.26 Recreation Area:

2.27 (1) that part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, the Northwest
2.28 Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, and the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, all
2.29 in Section 26, Township 58 North, Range 17 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota, lying
2.30 northwesterly of the Gilbert mine pit in said section;

2.31 (2) that part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 35, Township
2.32 58 North, Range 17 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota, lying northwesterly of Deep
2.33 Lake in said section; and

3.1 (3) the South Half of Section 36, except the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest
3.2 Quarter, all in Township 58 North, Range 17 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota.

3.3 **Sec. 4. DELETION FROM STATE FOREST.**

3.4 **[89.021] [Subd. 18] Fond du Lac State Forest.** The following areas are deleted
3.5 from the Fond du Lac State Forest:

3.6 (1) that part of Section 7 lying east of State Highway 23 and Sections 18, 19, and 30
3.7 of Township 48 North, Range 15 West; and

3.8 (2) that part of Sections 13 and 24 lying east of State Highway 23 and Section
3.9 25 of Township 48 North, Range 16 West.

3.10 **Sec. 5. ADDITION TO STATE FOREST.**

3.11 **[89.021] [Subd. 35] Nemadji State Forest.** The following areas are added to
3.12 the Nemadji State Forest:

3.13 (1) that part of Section 7 lying east of State Highway 23 and Sections 18, 19, and 30
3.14 of Township 48 North, Range 15 West; and

3.15 (2) that part of Sections 13 and 24 lying east of State Highway 23 and Section
3.16 25 of Township 48 North, Range 16 West.

3.17 **Sec. 6. PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**
3.18 **WATER; BELTRAMI COUNTY.**

3.19 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1,
3.20 Beltrami County may sell the tax-forfeited lands bordering public water that are described
3.21 in paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.

3.22 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The
3.23 attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors
3.24 and ensure accuracy.

3.25 (c) The land to be sold is located in Beltrami County and is described as:

3.26 (1) parcel 01.00113.00;

3.27 (2) parcel 01.00204.00;

3.28 (3) parcel 34.00558.00; and

3.29 (4) parcel 34.00568.00.

3.30 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would be
3.31 best served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

4.1 Sec. 7. **PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**
4.2 **WATER; BIG STONE COUNTY.**

4.3 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1,
4.4 Big Stone County may sell the tax-forfeited land bordering public water that is described
4.5 in paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.

4.6 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney
4.7 general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

4.8 (c) The land to be sold is located in Big Stone County and is described as:

4.9 (1) Lots 1 to 12, Block 3, Original Plat; and

4.10 (2) Outlot 160, city of Ortonville.

4.11 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would
4.12 best be served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

4.13 Sec. 8. **PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND; DAKOTA COUNTY.**

4.14 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 94.09 and 94.10, the commissioner
4.15 of natural resources may sell by private sale the surplus land that is described in paragraph
4.16 (c).

4.17 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The
4.18 attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors
4.19 and ensure accuracy. The commissioner may sell to the United States for less than the
4.20 value of the land, as determined by the commissioner, but the conveyance must provide
4.21 that the land be managed for conservation purposes and reverts to the state if the United
4.22 States fails to manage the land for conservation purposes.

4.23 (c) The land that may be sold is located in Dakota County and is described as: that
4.24 part of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 27 North, Range
4.25 24 West, lying northwesterly of the Chicago and North Western Transportation Company
4.26 Railroad, and that part of the East Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 34, Township
4.27 27 North, Range 24 West, described as follows: beginning at the northeast corner of said
4.28 East Half of the Northwest Quarter; thence on an assumed bearing of South 89 degrees 49
4.29 minutes 47 seconds West along the north line of said East Half of the Northwest Quarter, a
4.30 distance of 127.6 feet; thence South 24 degrees 20 minutes 13 seconds West, a distance of
4.31 437.59 feet; thence South 47 degrees 28 minutes 32 seconds West, a distance of 522.97
4.32 feet; thence South 1/2 degree 31 minutes 28 seconds East, a distance of 866.39 feet to the
4.33 northwesterly line of the Chicago and North Western Transportation Company Railroad;
4.34 thence North 44 degrees 39 minutes 07 seconds East, along said northwesterly line, a
4.35 distance of 130.52 feet to the east line of said East Half of the Northwest Quarter; thence

5.1 North 00 degrees 42 minutes 27 seconds East, along the east line of said East Half of
5.2 the Northwest Quarter, a distance of 1,487.79 feet to the point of beginning; containing
5.3 30.72 acres, more or less.

5.4 (d) The Department of Natural Resources has determined that the state's land
5.5 management interests would best be served if the land was conveyed to the United States.
5.6 The land was part of the Black Dog Preserve Scientific and Natural Area, which was
5.7 de-designated by the commissioner, effective November 21, 2011. The United States,
5.8 acting by and through the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, wishes to acquire the
5.9 land for inclusion in the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge.

5.10 **Sec. 9. PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**
5.11 **WATER; GOODHUE COUNTY.**

5.12 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1,
5.13 Goodhue County may sell the tax-forfeited land bordering public water that is described in
5.14 paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.

5.15 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney
5.16 general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

5.17 (c) The land to be sold is located in Goodhue County and is described as:

5.18 (1) part of Lot 3, Welch Township, Section 26, Township 114 North, Range 16
5.19 West (parcel 46.126.0070); and

5.20 (2) Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, Block 6, Emerald Valley, city of Wanamingo (parcels
5.21 70.147.1010, 70.147.1020, 70.147.1030, 70.147.1040, and 70.147.1050).

5.22 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would
5.23 best be served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

5.24 **Sec. 10. CONVEYANCE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**
5.25 **WATERS; HENNEPIN COUNTY.**

5.26 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45; 282.01, subdivision 1a; and
5.27 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter
5.28 282, Hennepin County may convey to a governmental subdivision of the state for no
5.29 consideration the tax-forfeited land bordering public water that is described in paragraph
5.30 (c).

5.31 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The
5.32 attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors
5.33 and ensure accuracy. The conveyance must provide that the land reverts to the state if

6.1 the governmental subdivision stops using the land as a flood plain and open space and
6.2 for wetland mitigation purposes.

6.3 (c) The land to be conveyed is located in Hennepin County and is described as: that
6.4 part of Government Lot 3 lying South of the North 45 rods thereof and North of Nichols
6.5 Shoreland and lying westerly of Magda Drive, Section 36, Township 119 North, Range 22
6.6 West (Hennepin County tax identification no. 36-119-22 11 0004).

6.7 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would be
6.8 best served if the land is conveyed to a governmental subdivision of the state for use as a
6.9 flood plain and open space and for wetland mitigation purposes.

6.10 Sec. 11. **CONVEYANCE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**
6.11 **WATERS; HENNEPIN COUNTY.**

6.12 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45; 282.01, subdivision 1a; and
6.13 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter
6.14 282, Hennepin County may convey to a governmental subdivision of the state for no
6.15 consideration the tax-forfeited land bordering public water that is described in paragraph
6.16 (c).

6.17 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The
6.18 attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors
6.19 and ensure accuracy. The conveyance must provide that the land reverts to the state if the
6.20 governmental subdivision stops using the land for preservation of wetlands.

6.21 (c) The land to be conveyed is located in Hennepin County and is described as:
6.22 Government Lot 1, Section 19, Township 120 North, Range 22 West (Hennepin County
6.23 tax identification no. 19-120-22 22 0001).

6.24 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would
6.25 be best served if the land is conveyed to a governmental subdivision of the state for
6.26 preservation of wetlands.

6.27 Sec. 12. **CONVEYANCE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**
6.28 **WATERS; HENNEPIN COUNTY.**

6.29 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45; 282.01, subdivision 1a; and
6.30 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter
6.31 282, Hennepin County may convey to the city of Corcoran for no consideration the
6.32 tax-forfeited land bordering public water that is described in paragraph (c).

6.33 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The
6.34 attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and

7.1 ensure accuracy. The conveyance must provide that the land reverts to the state if the city
7.2 of Corcoran stops using the land for a recreational trail and for storm water ponding.

7.3 (c) The land to be conveyed is located in Hennepin County and is described as:
7.4 Outlot A, Lake Jubert Estates (Hennepin County tax identification no. 29-119-23 43 0008).

7.5 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would
7.6 be best served if the land is conveyed to the city of Corcoran for a recreational trail and
7.7 for storm water ponding.

7.8 Sec. 13. **PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LANDS; ITASCA COUNTY.**

7.9 (a) Notwithstanding the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter
7.10 282, Itasca County may sell by private sale to the adjoining landowner the tax-forfeited
7.11 lands that are described in paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota
7.12 Statutes, chapter 282.

7.13 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The
7.14 attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and
7.15 ensure accuracy. The purchaser must provide a certified survey of the parcel to be sold
7.16 that is acceptable to Itasca County and must pay all survey and appraisal costs.

7.17 (c) The land to be sold is in Itasca County and is described as:

7.18 (1) a parcel of land situated in Government Lot 7, Section 14, Township 54 North,
7.19 Range 27 West, more particularly described as follows: commencing at the southeast
7.20 corner of said Government Lot 7; thence North 01 degrees 06 minutes 20 seconds West,
7.21 bearing assigned along the east line of said Government Lot 7, a distance of 975.45
7.22 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 59 degrees 29 minutes 01 seconds West
7.23 120.07 feet more or less to intersect a line that is 100.00 feet westerly of the east line
7.24 of said Government Lot 7; thence North 01 degrees 06 minutes 20 seconds West on a
7.25 line 100.00 feet westerly of the east line of said Government Lot 7, a distance of 50.41
7.26 feet; thence North 23 degrees 18 minutes 59 seconds East 241.87 feet more or less to
7.27 a 2-1/2 inch aluminum cap affixed to a 5/8 inch by 2-foot rebar along the east line of
7.28 said Government Lot 7; thence South 01 degrees 06 minutes 20 seconds East along the
7.29 east line of said Government Lot 7, a distance of 332.21 feet to the point of beginning
7.30 and there terminate; and

7.31 (2) the South 15 feet of the East 100 feet of the West 460 feet of the Northeast
7.32 Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 10, Township 61 North, Range 23 West.

7.33 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would be
7.34 best served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

8.1 Sec. 14. **PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND; KOOCHICHING**
8.2 **COUNTY.**

8.3 (a) Notwithstanding the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282,
8.4 Koochiching County may sell by private sale the tax-forfeited lands that are described in
8.5 paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.

8.6 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The
8.7 attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and
8.8 ensure accuracy. Prior to the sale, the county shall grant an easement in accordance with
8.9 Minnesota Statutes, section 282.04, subdivision 4, to provide for public road access.

8.10 (c) The land to be sold is in Koochiching County and is described as: the South Half
8.11 of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 6, Township 63 North,
8.12 Range 25 West.

8.13 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would be
8.14 best served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

8.15 Sec. 15. **PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND; LAKE COUNTY.**

8.16 (a) Notwithstanding the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282,
8.17 or other law to the contrary, Lake County may sell by private sale the tax-forfeited land
8.18 described in paragraph (c).

8.19 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney
8.20 general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

8.21 (c) The land to be sold is located in Lake County and is described as: the Northeast
8.22 Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 19, Township 56 North, Range 9 West.

8.23 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would
8.24 best be served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

8.25 Sec. 16. **SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATERS;**
8.26 **LAKE COUNTY.**

8.27 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1,
8.28 Lake County may sell the tax-forfeited lands bordering public waters that are described in
8.29 paragraph (c).

8.30 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The
8.31 attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors
8.32 and ensure accuracy.

9.1 (c) The land to be sold is in Lake County and is described as: Government Lot 2,
9.2 Government Lot 3, and the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, all in Section 36,
9.3 Township 60 North, Range 7 West.

9.4 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would be
9.5 best served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

9.6 Sec. 17. **PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND; MORRISON COUNTY.**

9.7 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 282.01, subdivision 1a, and
9.8 282.018, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), and the public sale provisions of Minnesota
9.9 Statutes, chapter 282, Morrison County may convey to a governmental subdivision of the
9.10 state for less than market value for public use as a park, the tax-forfeited land bordering
9.11 public water that is described in paragraph (c).

9.12 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The
9.13 attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and
9.14 ensure accuracy. The conveyance must provide that the land be for public use as a park
9.15 and reverts to the state if the governmental subdivision of the state abandons such use.

9.16 (c) The land to be sold is located in Morrison County and is described as:
9.17 Government Lot 20, Section 18, Township 133 North, Range 31 West, Morrison County,
9.18 less that part described as follows: beginning at the southwest corner of said Section 18;
9.19 thence North 0 degrees 01 minute 24 seconds East along the west line of said Section 18 a
9.20 distance of 180.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 47 minutes 30 seconds East a distance
9.21 of 450.00 feet; thence South 0 degrees 01 minute 24 seconds West a distance of 147.00
9.22 feet; thence South 89 degrees 47 minutes 30 seconds East a distance of 776.83 feet to
9.23 the westerly right-of-way of State Highway 10; thence southerly along said westerly
9.24 right-of-way line a distance of 14.61 feet along a nontangential curve concave to the East,
9.25 having a radius of 5,789.58 feet and a central angle of 0 degrees 08 minutes 41 seconds,
9.26 the chord of said curve bears South 0 degrees 14 minutes 53 seconds West; thence South 0
9.27 degrees 10 minutes 32 seconds West along said westerly right-of-way line a distance of
9.28 18.39 feet to the south line of said Section 18; thence North 89 degrees 47 minutes 30
9.29 seconds West along the southerly line of said Section 18 a distance of 1,226.72 feet to
9.30 the point of beginning (parcel 410029000).

9.31 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would be
9.32 best served if the land is conveyed to a governmental subdivision for public use as a park.

9.33 Sec. 18. **PRIVATE SALE OF LAND; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

10.1 Subdivision 1. **Private sale of land.** (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,
10.2 section 373.01, or any other law to the contrary, St. Louis County may, without advertising
10.3 for bids, sell and convey directly to the current lessee or its assigns the land described in
10.4 paragraph (b). The consideration must be in an amount negotiated between the county and
10.5 the lessee or its assigns. The conveyance must be executed by October 31, 2014.

10.6 (b) The land to be sold is located in St. Louis County and consists of the parcel of
10.7 property known as the Chris Jensen Health & Rehabilitation Center and adjacent property,
10.8 all located within the following legal description: a parcel of land located within the
10.9 Northwest Quarter, Section 16, Township 50 North, Range 14 West of the Fourth Principal
10.10 Meridian lying west of Rice Lake Road.

10.11 (c) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 373.01, or any other law to the
10.12 contrary, St. Louis County may include some or all tangible and intangible personal
10.13 property associated with the Chris Jensen Health & Rehabilitation Center as part of the
10.14 negotiated sale price.

10.15 (d) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the St. Louis county attorney.
10.16 The county attorney may change the land description in paragraph (b) to implement the
10.17 intent of St. Louis County.

10.18 (e) The lessee is providing under the lease nursing home services formerly provided
10.19 by the county, and the county has determined that its land management interests are best
10.20 served if the ownership of the property is transferred to the lessee or its assigns.

10.21 Subd. 2. **Disposition of lease.** Upon the conveyance, the existing lease of the real
10.22 and personal property is merged into the fee ownership.

10.23 Sec. 19. **PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**
10.24 **WATER; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

10.25 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45, 94.09, and 94.10, the
10.26 commissioner of natural resources may sell by private sale the surplus land bordering
10.27 public water that is described in paragraph (c).

10.28 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The
10.29 attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and
10.30 ensure accuracy. The conveyance must be subject to the perpetual easement described in
10.31 paragraph (d).

10.32 (c) The land that may be sold is located in St. Louis County and is described as:
10.33 that part of Government Lot 1, Section 20, Township 60 North, Range 21 West, St. Louis
10.34 County, Minnesota, described as follows: commencing at meander corner #6 on the
10.35 north line of said section; thence North 89 degrees 49 minutes 20 seconds East, assumed

11.1 bearing, along the north line of said section 100.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence
11.2 South 31 degrees 35 minutes 24 seconds East 409.70 feet to the centerline of McCarthy
11.3 Beach Road; thence North 20 degrees 47 minutes 12 seconds East along said centerline
11.4 374.52 feet to the north line of said section; thence South 89 degrees 49 minutes 20
11.5 seconds West along the north line of said section 347.53 feet to the point of beginning,
11.6 containing 1.4 acres, more or less. Subject to existing easements of record.

11.7 (d) Prior to the sale of the land described in paragraph (c), the commissioner shall
11.8 convey a perpetual easement according to Minnesota Statutes, section 84.631, for the
11.9 benefit of Lots 50, 51, and 52 of the Plat of McCarthy's Beach over and across an existing
11.10 driveway being a strip of land 16.5 feet in width, lying 8.25 feet on each side of the
11.11 following described centerline: commencing at meander corner #6 on the north line of
11.12 Section 20; thence North 89 degrees 49 minutes 20 seconds East, assumed bearing, along
11.13 the north line of said section 196.98 feet to the centerline of an existing driveway and the
11.14 point of beginning; thence South 20 degrees 14 minutes 17 seconds East 54.79 feet;
11.15 thence South 17 degrees 53 minutes 29 seconds East 47.03 feet; thence South 04 degrees
11.16 05 minutes 31 seconds East 44.44 feet; thence South 06 degrees 18 minutes 21 seconds
11.17 West 61.38 feet; thence South 04 degrees 27 minutes 18 seconds West 53.03 feet; thence
11.18 South 01 degree 47 minutes 03 seconds East 90.46 feet, more or less, to the centerline of
11.19 McCarthy Beach Road and there terminating, containing 0.13 acres, more or less.

11.20 (e) The land to be sold is part of a parcel that borders Big Sturgeon Lake. The
11.21 Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed for natural
11.22 resource purposes and that the state's land management interests would be best served if
11.23 the land were conveyed to an adjacent landowner to resolve an inadvertent trespass.

11.24 **Sec. 20. PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**
11.25 **WATER; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

11.26 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1,
11.27 St. Louis County may sell the tax-forfeited land bordering public water that is described
11.28 in paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.

11.29 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The
11.30 attorney general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure
11.31 accuracy. The easement required under paragraph (c), clause (9), shall be memorialized
11.32 on the certificate of title according to Minnesota Statutes, section 508.49, upon filing of
11.33 the instrument that creates the easement.

11.34 (c) The land to be sold is located in St. Louis County and is described as:

- 12.1 (1) all of Government Lot 1, Section 26, Township 51 North, Range 13 West,
12.2 lying South of the Duluth and Iron Range Railway, except the East 1,184.75 feet (parcel
12.3 010-2690-00520);
- 12.4 (2) the West 135 feet of the East 1,184.75 feet of that part of Government Lot 1,
12.5 Section 26, Township 51 North, Range 13 West, South of the Duluth and Iron Range
12.6 Railway (parcel 010-2690-00521);
- 12.7 (3) the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 18, Township 58 North,
12.8 Range 20 West (parcel 235-0010-03050);
- 12.9 (4) the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 34, Township 59 North,
12.10 Range 20 West (parcel 235-0030-05460);
- 12.11 (5) Government Lot 4, Section 11, Township 58 North, Range 16 West, except the
12.12 railway right-of-way 5.55 acres and except that part West of County State-Aid Highway 4
12.13 (parcel 260-0012-00150);
- 12.14 (6) Government Lot 5, Section 11, Township 58 North, Range 16 West (parcel
12.15 260-0012-00160);
- 12.16 (7) the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 22, Township 57 North,
12.17 Range 18 West, except the North 250 feet of the East 600 feet and except the highway
12.18 right-of-way (parcel 295-0016-00120);
- 12.19 (8) Lot 7, Block 1, Reinkes Shore Lots, town of Cotton, Section 20, Township 54
12.20 North, Range 16 West (parcel 305-0043-00070);
- 12.21 (9) the West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 27,
12.22 Township 52 North, Range 12 West (parcel 315-0020-04395). Prior to sale of this land,
12.23 the commissioner of revenue shall grant an easement according to Minnesota Statutes,
12.24 section 282.37, to provide riparian protection and angler access. The easement must be
12.25 150 feet in width, lying 75 feet on each side of the centerline of the river;
- 12.26 (10) Outlot 4, Rearrangement Eagles Nest, Section 22, Township 62 North, Range
12.27 14 West (parcel 317-0081-00100);
- 12.28 (11) an undivided half interest in Government Lot 2, Section 33, Township 55 North,
12.29 Range 16 West (parcel 320-0010-05400);
- 12.30 (12) an undivided half interest in Government Lot 2, Section 33, Township 55 North,
12.31 Range 16 West (parcel 320-0010-05401);
- 12.32 (13) Government Lot 2, Section 6, Township 55 North, Range 17 West, except the
12.33 1.34 acres at the southwest corner (parcel 320-0020-00830);
- 12.34 (14) the North Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 17,
12.35 Township 62 North, Range 12 West (parcel 465-0010-02420);

13.1 (15) the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 27, Township 61
 13.2 North, Range 16 West (parcel 560-0011-04320); and

13.3 (16) the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 3, Township 57 North,
 13.4 Range 15 West (parcel 570-0010-00370).

13.5 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would
 13.6 best be served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

13.7 Sec. 21. **PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

13.8 (a) Notwithstanding the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282,
 13.9 or other law to the contrary, St. Louis County may sell by private sale the tax-forfeited
 13.10 land described in paragraph (c).

13.11 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney
 13.12 general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

13.13 (c) The land to be sold is located in St. Louis County and is described as:

13.14 (1) Lot P, Block 18, Hunter/Markells Grassy Point Addition to Duluth, Section 13,
 13.15 Township 49 North, Range 15 West, except the railway right-of-way, including part of the
 13.16 adjacent vacated avenue and including part of the vacated street (parcel 010-2420-03700);
 13.17 and

13.18 (2) the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 6, Township 57 North,
 13.19 Range 19 West, except that part South of the railway right-of-way and except the 5.15
 13.20 acres North of the railway right-of-way except beginning at a point 588 feet South of the
 13.21 northeast corner on the east line; thence North 79 degrees 57 minutes 49 seconds West a
 13.22 distance of 775 feet to the easterly right-of-way of County Highway 451; thence northerly
 13.23 and easterly along the right-of-way to the easterly line of forty; thence South along the
 13.24 east line a distance of 516 feet to the point of beginning (parcel 290-0010-00990).

13.25 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would
 13.26 best be served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

13.27 Sec. 22. **SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LEASED LANDS; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

13.28 Subdivision 1. **Sale authorized.** Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections
 13.29 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes,
 13.30 chapter 282, St. Louis County may in its sole discretion sell tax-forfeited lakeshore lots
 13.31 that are currently leased. St. Louis County may also sell other adjacent tax-forfeited lands
 13.32 under this section necessary for roadway access and the creation of conforming lot sizes.

13.33 Subd. 2. **Method of sale.** (a) The leaseholder of a leased parcel may purchase at
 13.34 private sale the leased parcel and any other lands allocated to the parcel by the county

14.1 under subdivision 6 that is offered for sale under this section. The purchase price is the
14.2 appraised value of the land under subdivision 3 exclusive of improvements on it. To
14.3 purchase a parcel, a leaseholder must pay in cash to the county an amount equal to the
14.4 appraised value of the land within 180 days from the date of mailing to or service of notice
14.5 of appraised value on the leaseholder by the county. The 180-day period runs from the
14.6 date of mailing of a copy of the appraisal to the leaseholder at the address shown upon
14.7 the most recent lease agreement between the parties, exclusive of the date of mailing or
14.8 service. The county may use any alternative method of notice under the Minnesota Rules
14.9 of Civil Procedure for the service of a summons and complaint.

14.10 (b) If the leaseholder does not purchase the parcel so offered, the county may
14.11 offer the lands for sale at public auction under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes,
14.12 section 282.01, subdivision 3. If a person other than the leaseholder purchases the parcel,
14.13 the purchaser must make payment in full to the leaseholder in the manner provided in
14.14 Minnesota Statutes, section 92.06, subdivision 4, for the value of any improvements as
14.15 determined under subdivision 3.

14.16 (c) Failure of a purchaser to comply with the terms of payment voids the sale and the
14.17 property may be reoffered for sale.

14.18 Subd. 3. **Appraisal.** (a) An appraisal must be made in accordance with Minnesota
14.19 Statutes, section 282.01, subdivision 3, except as modified by this subdivision.
14.20 Improvements that are owned by the lessee must be appraised separately.

14.21 (b) The county shall select the appraiser. The appraiser selected must meet the
14.22 minimal appraisal standards established by the federal Farmers Home Administration or
14.23 the federal Veterans Administration, and be licensed under Minnesota Statutes, section
14.24 82B.03, to appraise the property to be sold.

14.25 (c) The costs of appraisal must be allocated by the county to the lots offered for sale
14.26 and the successful purchaser on each lot shall reimburse the county for the appraisal costs
14.27 allocated to the lot purchased. If no one purchases a lot, the county is responsible for
14.28 the appraisal cost.

14.29 (d) If a leaseholder disagrees with the appraised value of the leasehold improvements,
14.30 the leaseholder may select an appraiser that meets the qualifications in paragraph (b) to
14.31 reappraise the improvements. The leaseholder must give notice of intent to object to the
14.32 appraised value of the improvements within ten days of the date of the mailing or service
14.33 of notice under subdivision 2, paragraph (a). The reappraisal must be delivered by the
14.34 leaseholder to the county auditor within 60 days of the date of mailing or service of notice
14.35 of appraised value under subdivision 2, paragraph (a), or the initial appraisal shall be
14.36 conclusive. The leaseholder is responsible for the costs of the reappraisal. If the parcel is

15.1 reappraised within the time required in this paragraph and the county and the leaseholder
15.2 fail to agree on the value of the improvements by a date set by the county, each of the
15.3 appraisers shall agree upon the selection of a third appraiser to conduct a third appraisal
15.4 that shall be conclusive as to the value of the improvements. The cost of this appraisal
15.5 must be paid equally by the county and the leaseholder.

15.6 Subd. 4. **Proceeds.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), the proceeds from
15.7 the sale of land described in subdivision 1 must be deposited by the county into an
15.8 environmental trust fund as provided in Laws 1998, chapter 389, article 16, section 31,
15.9 subdivision 4.

15.10 (b) The following amounts may be withheld by a county board and not deposited
15.11 into an environmental trust fund: the costs of appraisal, abstracts, and surveys; money
15.12 received from a sale that is attributable to land owned by a county in fee; amounts paid to
15.13 lessees for improvements; and the costs of sale to lessees or other parties, including the
15.14 costs of advertising, realtors, and closing services.

15.15 Subd. 5. **Survey.** (a) Prior to offering it for sale, St. Louis County shall have each
15.16 lot surveyed by a licensed surveyor.

15.17 (b) The costs of the survey must be allocated by the county to the lots offered for
15.18 sale and the successful purchaser on each lot shall reimburse the county for the survey
15.19 costs allocated to the lot purchased. If no one purchases the lot, the county is responsible
15.20 for the survey costs. All surveying must be conducted by a licensed surveyor.

15.21 Subd. 6. **Adding lands; zoning conformance.** Any lands to be sold under this
15.22 section must be considered lots of record for zoning purposes. Whenever possible, St.
15.23 Louis County may add land to the lots offered for sale to permit conformance with zoning
15.24 requirements. The added lands must be included in the appraised value of the lot.

15.25 Subd. 7. **Roadways.** St. Louis County has the authority to designate whether
15.26 roads within minor subdivisions under the county platting and subdivision ordinance
15.27 are public or private.

15.28 Subd. 8. **Sunset.** This section expires five years after the day of final enactment.

15.29 **Sec. 23. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

15.30 (a) Notwithstanding the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, or
15.31 other law to the contrary, St. Louis County shall sell the tax-forfeited land described in
15.32 paragraph (c) to the city of Virginia.

15.33 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney
15.34 general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

16.1 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 282.01, subdivision 1a, the county shall sell
16.2 the land to the city of Virginia for less than the appraised value, not to exceed \$25,000.

16.3 (c) The land to be sold is located in St. Louis County and is described as: that part of
16.4 the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 8, Township 58 North, Range
16.5 17 West, commencing at the southwest corner of said forty; thence North 87 degrees 38
16.6 minutes 02 seconds East 124.67 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 23 degrees 30
16.7 minutes 20 seconds West 91.12 feet; thence North 87 degrees 38 minutes 02 seconds East
16.8 parallel to the south line 252.66 feet; thence North 02 degrees 21 minutes 58 seconds West
16.9 415 feet; thence North 87 degrees 38 minutes 02 seconds East 350 feet; thence South 02
16.10 degrees 21 minutes 58 seconds East 500 feet to the south line of said forty; thence South
16.11 87 degrees 38 minutes 02 seconds West 569.80 feet to the point of beginning; except
16.12 assuming the west line of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter to bear North
16.13 01 degree 57 minutes 18 seconds West and commencing at the southwest corner of said
16.14 forty; thence run North 87 degrees 38 minutes 02 seconds East along the south line 444.47
16.15 feet to the point of beginning; thence run North 02 degrees 21 minutes 58 seconds West
16.16 500 feet; thence North 87 degrees 38 minutes 02 seconds East 250 feet; thence South 02
16.17 degrees 21 minutes 58 seconds East 500 feet to the south boundary line of said forty;
16.18 thence South 87 degrees 38 minutes 02 seconds West 250 feet to the point of beginning.
16.19 1.61 acres. (parcel 090-0195-00205).

16.20 (d) The legislature has determined that the county's land management interests
16.21 would best be served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

16.22 **Sec. 24. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**
16.23 **WATER; WASHINGTON COUNTY.**

16.24 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1,
16.25 and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, Washington County
16.26 may sell by private sale the tax-forfeited land bordering public water that is described in
16.27 paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.

16.28 (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney
16.29 general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

16.30 (c) The land to be sold is located in Washington County and is described as: Block
16.31 21, Division No. 1, St. Paul Park, together with the south half of vacated Second Avenue
16.32 adjacent to the north side of Block 21 and the west half of Front Street adjacent to the east
16.33 side of Block 21 (parcel 02.027.22.41.0011).

16.34 (d) The sale would be to an adjacent landowner and the Department of Natural
16.35 Resources has determined that the land is not appropriate for the department to manage.

17.1 Sec. 25. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

17.2 Sections 1 to 24 are effective the day following final enactment.