CHAPTER 73-H.F.No. 740

An act relating to state lands; modifying landowners' bill of rights; modifying land acquisition account; providing for school forests; adding to and deleting from state parks and forests; authorizing certain exchanges and sales of state lands; conveyance of certain tax-forfeited lands; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 84.0274, subdivision 6; 89.41; 94.165; 282.01, subdivisions 1a, 1d; Laws 1989, chapter 136, section 1.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 84.0274, subdivision 6, is amended to read:
- Subd. 6. **State's responsibilities.** When the state proposes to purchase land for natural resources purposes, the commissioner of natural resources and, where applicable, the commissioner of administration shall have the following responsibilities:
 - (a) The responsibility to deal fairly and openly with the landowner in the purchase of property;
- (b) The responsibility to refrain from discussing price with the landowner before an appraisal has been made. In addition, the same person shall not both appraise and negotiate for purchase of a tract of land. This paragraph does not apply to the state when discussing with a landowner the trout stream easement payment determined under section 84.0272, subdivision 2, the native prairie bank easement payment determined under section 84.96, subdivision 5, or the Camp Ripley's Army compatible use buffer easement payment determined under section 84.0277, subdivision 2;
- (c) The responsibility to use private fee appraisers to lower the state's acquisition costs to the greatest extent practicable; and
- (d) The responsibility to acquire land in as expeditious a manner as possible. No option shall be made for a period of greater than two months if no survey is required or for nine months if a survey is required, unless the landowner, in writing, expressly requests a longer period of time. Provided that, if county board approval of the transaction is required pursuant to section 97A.145, no time limits shall apply. If the state elects not to purchase property upon which it has an option, it shall pay the landowner \$500 after the expiration of the option period. If the state elects to purchase the property, unless the landowner elects otherwise, payment to the landowner shall be made no later than 90 days following the state's election to purchase the property provided that the title is marketable and the owner acts expeditiously to complete the transaction.
 - Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 89.41, is amended to read:

89.41 EDUCATIONAL UNITS MAY ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN SCHOOL FORESTS.

Subdivision 1. Establishment and maintenance of school forests. Any school district in the state, however organized, the University of Minnesota, or any branch thereof, any state university, community college, or other public educational institution or agency of the state, all herein referred to as agencies, may establish and maintain school forests as herein provided according to this section, subject to the approval of the commissioner of natural resources. Any such agency may use for the purpose of such a forest any land belonging to it, or may acquire land therefor by gift or with contributed funds. For the purpose of a school

forest, an agency may use land the agency owns or uses under an agreement or may acquire land by gift or with contributed funds.

- Subd. 2. Conveyance of tax-forfeited land for school forest use. For the purposes of such forest school forests established under this section, any tax-forfeited lands may be sold by the county board to any such an agency or may be conveyed by the commissioner of revenue to any such an agency in like manner as provided for the sale or conveyance of such tax-forfeited lands to governmental subdivisions under section 282.01 and amendments thereof. A conveyance under this subdivision is made without monetary compensation or consideration for the conveyance, but the conveyance is subject to the conditional use and reversion provisions under section 282.01, subdivisions 1c and 1d, paragraph (e).
- Subd. 3. Monitoring and reporting. The commissioner shall annually monitor tax-forfeited lands conveyed according to subdivision 2 to determine whether the lands continue to be used as school forests. The commissioner shall submit an annual monitoring report to the commissioner of revenue that identifies any lands no longer used as school forests.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 94.165, is amended to read:

94.165 LAND ACQUISITION ACCOUNT.

- Subdivision 1. Creation of account. There is created in the state treasury a land acquisition account.
- <u>Subd. 2.</u> <u>Appropriation.</u> Money in the account is appropriated to the commissioner of natural resources for:
- (1) the acquisition of natural resource lands or interests in lands within the outdoor recreation system established in chapter 86A;
- (2) payment of expenses incurred by the commissioner in rendering saleable any state-owned property administered by the commissioner; and
- (3) payment of expenses incurred by the commissioner in exchanging any state-owned property administered by the commissioner.
- <u>Subd. 3.</u> **Report.** The commissioner must file a report to the house of representatives Ways and Means and the senate Finance committees and the Environment and Natural Resources committees of the senate and house of representatives by October 1 of each year indicating all purchases and sales from this account.
 - Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 282.01, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:
- Subd. 1a. **Conveyance to public entities.** (a) Upon written request from a state agency or a governmental subdivision of the state, a parcel of unsold tax-forfeited land must be withheld from sale or lease to others for a maximum of six months. The request must be submitted to the county auditor. Upon receipt, the county auditor must withhold the parcel from sale or lease to any other party for six months, and must confirm the starting date of the six-month withholding period to the requesting agency or subdivision. If the request is from a governmental subdivision of the state, the governmental subdivision must pay the maintenance costs incurred by the county during the period the parcel is withheld. The county board may approve a sale or conveyance to the requesting party during the withholding period. A conveyance of the property to the requesting party terminates the withholding period.

A governmental subdivision of the state must not make, and a county auditor must not act upon, a second request to withhold a parcel from sale or lease within 18 months of a previous request for that parcel. A county may reject a request made under this paragraph if the request is made more than 30 days after

the county has given notice to the requesting state agency or governmental subdivision of the state that the county intends to sell or otherwise dispose of the property.

- (b) Nonconservation tax-forfeited lands may be sold by the county board, for their market value as determined by the county board, to an organized or incorporated governmental subdivision of the state for any public purpose for which the subdivision is authorized to acquire property. When the term "market value" is used in this section, it means an estimate of the full and actual market value of the parcel as determined by the county board, but in making this determination, the board and the persons employed by or under contract with the board in order to perform, conduct, or assist in the determination, are exempt from the licensure requirements of chapter 82B.
- (c) Nonconservation tax-forfeited lands may be released from the trust in favor of the taxing districts on application to the county board by a state agency for an authorized use at not less than their market value as determined by the county board.
- (d) Nonconservation tax-forfeited lands may be sold by the county board to an organized or incorporated governmental subdivision of the state or state agency for less than their market value if:
- (1) the county board determines that a sale at a reduced price is in the public interest because a reduced price is necessary to provide an incentive to correct the blighted conditions that make the lands undesirable in the open market, or the reduced price will lead to the development of affordable housing; and
- (2) the governmental subdivision or state agency has documented its specific plans for correcting the blighted conditions or developing affordable housing, and the specific law or laws that empower it to acquire real property in furtherance of the plans.

If the sale under this paragraph is to a governmental subdivision of the state, the commissioner of revenue must convey the property on behalf of the state by quit claim deed. If the sale under this paragraph is to a state agency, the commissioner must issue a conveyance document that releases the property from the trust in favor of the taxing districts.

- (e) Nonconservation tax-forfeited land held in trust in favor of the taxing districts may be conveyed by the commissioner of revenue in the name of the state to a governmental subdivision for an authorized public use, if an application is submitted to the commissioner which includes a statement of facts as to the use to be made of the tract and the favorable recommendation of the county board. For the purposes of this paragraph, "authorized public use" means a use that allows an indefinite segment of the public to physically use and enjoy the property in numbers appropriate to its size and use, or is for a public service facility. Authorized public uses as defined in this paragraph are limited to:
 - (1) a road, or right-of-way for a road;
- (2) a park that is both available to, and accessible by, the public that contains improvements such as campgrounds, playgrounds, athletic fields, trails, or shelters;
- (3) trails for walking, bicycling, snowmobiling, or other recreational purposes, along with a reasonable amount of surrounding land maintained in its natural state;
- (4) transit facilities for buses, light rail transit, commuter rail or passenger rail, including transit ways, park-and-ride lots, transit stations, maintenance and garage facilities, and other facilities related to a public transit system;
 - (5) public beaches or boat launches;
 - (6) public parking;
 - (7) civic recreation or conference facilities; and

(8) public service facilities such as fire halls, police stations, lift stations, water towers, sanitation facilities, water treatment facilities, and administrative offices.

No monetary compensation or consideration is required for the conveyance, except as provided in subdivision 1g, but the conveyance is subject to the conditions provided in law, including, but not limited to, the reversion provisions of subdivisions 1c and 1d.

- (f) The commissioner of revenue shall convey a parcel of nonconservation tax-forfeited land to a local governmental subdivision of the state by quit claim deed on behalf of the state upon the favorable recommendation of the county board if the governmental subdivision has certified to the board that prior to forfeiture the subdivision was entitled to the parcel under a written development agreement or instrument, but the conveyance failed to occur prior to forfeiture. No compensation or consideration is required for, and no conditions attach to, the conveyance.
- (g) The commissioner of revenue shall convey a parcel of nonconservation tax-forfeited land to the association of a common interest community by quit claim deed upon the favorable recommendation of the county board if the association certifies to the board that prior to forfeiture the association was entitled to the parcel under a written agreement, but the conveyance failed to occur prior to forfeiture. No compensation or consideration is required for, and no conditions attach to, the conveyance.
- (h) Conservation tax-forfeited land may be sold to a governmental subdivision of the state for less than its market value for either: (1) creation or preservation of wetlands; (2) drainage or storage of storm water under a storm water management plan; or (3) preservation, or restoration and preservation, of the land in its natural state. The deed must contain a restrictive covenant limiting the use of the land to one of these purposes for 30 years or until the property is reconveyed back to the state in trust. At any time, the governmental subdivision may reconvey the property to the state in trust for the taxing districts. The deed of reconveyance is subject to approval by the commissioner of revenue. No part of a purchase price determined under this paragraph shall be refunded upon a reconveyance, but the amount paid for a conveyance under this paragraph may be taken into account by the county board when setting the terms of a future sale of the same property to the same governmental subdivision under paragraph (b) or (d). If the lands are unplatted and located outside of an incorporated municipality and the commissioner of natural resources determines there is a mineral use potential, the sale is subject to the approval of the commissioner of natural resources.
- (i) A park and recreation board in a city of the first class is a governmental subdivision for the purposes of this section.
- (j) Tax-forfeited land held in trust in favor of the taxing districts may be conveyed by the commissioner of revenue in the name of the state to a governmental subdivision for a school forest under section 89.41. An application that includes a statement of facts as to the use to be made of the tract and the favorable recommendation of the county board and the commissioner of natural resources must be submitted to the commissioner of revenue. No monetary compensation or consideration is required for the conveyance, but the conveyance is subject to the conditional use and reversion provisions of subdivisions 1c and 1d, paragraph (e). At any time, the governmental subdivision may reconvey the property back to the state in trust for the taxing districts. The deed of reconveyance is subject to approval by the commissioner of revenue.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

- Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 282.01, subdivision 1d, is amended to read:
- Subd. 1d. **Reverter for failure to use; conveyance to state.** (a) After three years from the date of any conveyance of tax-forfeited land to a governmental subdivision for an authorized public use as provided in this section, regardless of when the deed for the authorized public use was executed, if the governmental

subdivision has failed to put the land to that use, or abandons that use, the governing body of the subdivision must: (1) with the approval of the county board, purchase the property for an authorized public purpose at the present market value as determined by the county board, or (2) authorize the proper officers to convey the land, or the part of the land not required for an authorized public use, to the state of Minnesota in trust for the taxing districts. If the governing body purchases the property under clause (1), the commissioner of revenue shall, upon proper application submitted by the county auditor, convey the property on behalf of the state by quit claim deed to the subdivision free of a use restriction and the possibility of reversion or defeasement. If the governing body decides to reconvey the property to the state under this clause, the officers shall execute a deed of conveyance immediately. The conveyance is subject to the approval of the commissioner and its form must be approved by the attorney general. For 15 years from the date of the conveyance, there is no failure to put the land to the authorized public use and no abandonment of that use if a formal plan of the governmental subdivision, including, but not limited to, a comprehensive plan or land use plan, shows an intended future use of the land for the authorized public use.

- (b) Property held by a governmental subdivision of the state under a conditional use deed executed under this section by the commissioner of revenue on or after January 1, 2007, may be acquired by that governmental subdivision after 15 years from the date of the conveyance if the commissioner determines upon written application from the subdivision that the subdivision has in fact put the property to the authorized public use for which it was conveyed, and the subdivision has made a finding that it has no current plans to change the use of the lands. Prior to conveying the property, the commissioner shall inquire whether the county board where the land is located objects to a conveyance of the property to the subdivision without conditions and without further act by or obligation of the subdivision. If the county does not object within 60 days, and the commissioner makes a favorable determination, the commissioner shall issue a quit claim deed on behalf of the state unconditionally conveying the property to the governmental subdivision. For purposes of this paragraph, demonstration of an intended future use for the authorized public use in a formal plan of the governmental subdivision does not constitute use for that authorized public use.
- (c) Property held by a governmental subdivision of the state under a conditional use deed executed under this section by the commissioner of revenue before January 1, 2007, is released from the use restriction and possibility of reversion on January 1, 2022, if the county board records a resolution describing the land and citing this paragraph. The county board may authorize the county treasurer to deduct the amount of the recording fees from future settlements of property taxes to the subdivision.
- (d) Except for tax-forfeited land conveyed to establish a school forest under section 89.41, property conveyed under a conditional use deed executed under this section by the commissioner of revenue, regardless of when the deed for the authorized public use was executed, is released from the use restriction and reverter, and any use restriction or reverter for which no declaration of reversion has been recorded with the county recorder or registrar of titles, as appropriate, is nullified on the later of: (1) January 1, 2015; (2) 30 years from the date the deed was acknowledged; or (3) final resolution of an appeal to district court under subdivision 1e, if a lis pendens related to the appeal is recorded in the office of the county recorder or registrar of titles, as appropriate, prior to January 1, 2015.
- (e) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) to (d), tax-forfeited land conveyed to establish a school forest under section 89.41 is subject to a perpetual conditional use deed and reverter. The property reverts to the state in trust for the taxing districts by operation of law if the commissioner of natural resources determines and reports to the commissioner of revenue under section 89.41, subdivision 3, that the governmental subdivision has failed to use the land for school forest purposes for three consecutive years. The commissioner of revenue shall record a declaration of reversion for land that has reverted under this paragraph.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 6. Laws 1989, chapter 136, section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. CONVEYANCE OF ST. PETER STATE HOSPITAL PROPERTY TO LEO A. HOFFMANN CENTER, INC.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 16B.24 and 94.09 to 94.16, the commissioner of administration may convey the land described in this section without consideration to Leo A. Hoffmann Center, Inc. of St. Peter, Minnesota.
- (b) The conveyance must be conditioned that the real property, including buildings and other improvements, reverts to the state if the property is not used as a nonprofit treatment facility. The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general.
- (c) The land that may be conveyed is vacant property without buildings on the grounds of the St. Peter Regional Treatment Center containing 10.43 acres, more or less, in Nicollet County, Minnesota, described as:

That part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 110 North, Range 26 West, Nicollet County, Minnesota, described as:

Commencing at the North Quarter Corner of Section 29; thence South 89 degrees 54 minutes 24 seconds East (assumed bearing) along the North line of Section 29, a distance of 83.41 feet; thence South 00 degrees 34 minutes 17 seconds East on a line parallel to the centerline of Minnesota trunk highway marked No. 333 (Sheppard Drive), a distance of 107.33 feet to the South right-of-way of Minnesota trunk highway marked No. 99, also being the point of beginning; thence continuing South 00 degrees 34 minutes 17 seconds East, 600.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 25 minutes 43 seconds East, 800.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 34 minutes 17 seconds West, 427.95 feet to the southerly right-of-way line of Minnesota trunk highway marked No. 99; thence North 88 degrees 59 minutes 48 seconds West along the southerly right-of-way line of Minnesota trunk highway marked No. 99 a distance of 419.28 feet; thence North 01 degrees 00 minutes 12 seconds East along said right-of-way line 150.00 feet; thence North 88 degrees 59 minutes 48 seconds West along said right-of-way line 385.15 feet to the point of beginning.

- (d) The property to be conveyed is surplus property of the St. Peter Regional Treatment Center and is not needed for state use. The property is needed by Leo A. Hoffmann Center, Inc. to construct a residential treatment facility. The property is adjacent to property presently used by Leo A. Hoffmann Center, Inc. under a lease agreement with the St. Peter Regional Treatment Center and the best interests of the state of Minnesota and of the Leo A. Hoffmann Center, Inc. would be served by continuing and expanding the present relationship between the state and Leo A. Hoffmann Center, Inc. by conveying the property.
- (e) All construction plans and specifications for the residential treatment facility to be built on the site must be submitted to the commissioner of administration for review and approval.
- (f) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 16B.281 to 16B.283, the Leo A. Hoffmann Center, Inc. may request the commissioner of administration to release the condition under paragraph (b) that the real property, including buildings and other improvements, reverts to the state if the property is not used as a nonprofit treatment facility. The state shall release the condition only upon payment of the appraised value of the land, plus any appraisal or other costs incurred by the state to process the requested sale, as determined by the commissioner of administration at the time of the sale of the property. The commissioner of administration may add conditions to the sale of the property deemed to be in the interest of the state. Upon receipt of full payment of the sale price, the commissioner of administration shall issue a quit claim deed for the property to the Leo A. Hoffmann Center, Inc., releasing the reverter condition. The money received from the sale shall be disposed of according to Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.287.

Sec. 7. ADDITIONS TO STATE PARKS.

- Subdivision 1. **[85.012][Subd. 16.] Flandrau State Park, Brown County.** The following area is added to Flandrau State Park: West 130 feet by 272.25 feet of Lot B of Outlot 304, City of New Ulm.
- Subd. 2. [85.012][Subd. 38a.] Lake Vermilion State Park, St. Louis County. The following areas are added to Lake Vermilion State Park:
- (1) that part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 62, Range 15, that lies southeasterly of Miettunen Plat Road and northeasterly of McKinley Park Road;
- (2) that part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 62, Range 15, that lies easterly of McKinley Park Road;
 - (3) Government Lot 7, Section 14, Township 62, Range 15;
 - (4) Government Lot 5, Section 23, Township 62, Range 15;
- (5) those islands in Lake Vermilion located south of the westerly extension of the south line of Government Lot 6, west of the northerly extension of the east line of Government Lot 8, and east of the northerly extension of the west line of Government Lot 8, all in Section 13, Township 62, Range 15;
- (6) that part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 26, Township 62, Range 15, that lies south of the south right-of-way line of State Highway 169; and
- (7) the East 845 feet of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 26, Township 62, Range 15, lying south of the south right-of-way line of State Highway 169.
- Subd. 3. [85.012] [Subd. 53.] Sibley State Park, Kandiyohi County. The following area is added to Sibley State Park: the Southeast Quarter of Section 12, Township 121, Range 35, except a square area of land containing two acres located in the southeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of Section 12, Township 121, Range 35.

Sec. 8. DELETIONS FROM STATE PARKS.

Subdivision 1. [85.012][Subd. 38a.] Lake Vermilion State Park, St. Louis County. The following areas are deleted from Lake Vermilion State Park:

- (1) that part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 62, Range 15, that lies southwesterly of McKinley Park Road; and
- (2) that part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 62, Range 15, that lies northwesterly of Miettunen Plat Road.
- Subd. 2. **[85.012][Subd. 59.] Whitewater State Park, Winona County.** The following area is deleted from Whitewater State Park: that part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 21, Township 107, Range 10, described as follows:

Commencing at the southeast corner of said Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; thence on an assumed bearing of North 00 degrees 29 minutes 31 seconds West, along the east line of said Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, 1,146.55 feet to the point of beginning of the parcel to be described; thence continuing North 00 degrees 29 minutes 31 seconds West, along said east line, 254.93 feet to the northeast corner of said Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; thence South 88 degrees 26 minutes 03 seconds West, along the north line of said Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, 643.06 feet; thence South 18 degrees 36 minutes 33 seconds East, 31.00 feet; thence South 84 degrees 32 minutes 47 seconds East, 229.91 feet; thence South 65 degrees 23 minutes 08 seconds East, 446.86 feet, to the point of beginning.

Sec. 9. ADDITION TO STATE FOREST.

[89.021] [Subd. 48a.] Snake River State Forest. The following area is added to the Snake River State Forest: Section 23, Township 42 North, Range 23 West.

Sec. 10. CONVEYANCE OF TAX-FORFEITED LANDS; ANOKA COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 282.01, subdivision 1a, Anoka County shall convey to the Lino Lakes Economic Development Authority the tax-forfeited lands described in paragraph (d) according to this section.
- (b) No monetary compensation or consideration is required for, and no conditions attach to, the conveyance except as provided in this paragraph. The deed for the lands described in paragraph (d) must contain a restrictive covenant providing that upon resale by the Lino Lakes Economic Development Authority of all or any portion of those parcels to a nongovernmental entity, the Lino Lakes Economic Development Authority shall pay to the county ten percent of the gross sale proceeds from the sale. "Gross sale proceeds" means the purchase price negotiated between the Lino Lakes Economic Development Authority and the buyer, excluding the amount of special assessments reinstated by the city of Lino Lakes and payable by the buyer upon or after closing and excluding any other closing costs payable by the buyer. Anoka County shall apply the proceeds received from the Lino Lakes Economic Development Authority according to Minnesota Statutes, section 282.08, clause (4). The restrictive covenant for any parcel expires 30 years after the date of the deed.
- (c) The commissioner of revenue must release the tax-forfeited lands from the trust in favor of the taxing district and convey the property on behalf of the state by quitclaim deed. The commissioner shall deliver the deeds for conveyance of the property described in paragraph (d) to Anoka County for recording no later than 90 days after the effective date of this act.
 - (d) The lands to be conveyed are located in Anoka County and are described as:
 - (1) parcel 17-31-22-11-0002;
 - (2) parcel 17-31-22-12-0051;
 - (3) parcel 17-31-22-12-0053;
 - (4) parcel 17-31-22-12-0059;
 - (5) parcel 17-31-22-12-0060;
 - (6) parcel 17-31-22-12-0063;
 - (7) parcel 17-31-22-13-0049;
 - (8) parcel 17-31-22-13-0053;
 - (9) parcel 17-31-22-13-0054;
 - (10) parcel 17-31-22-13-0055;
 - (11) parcel 17-31-22-13-0056;
 - (12) parcel 17-31-22-13-0057;
 - (13) parcel 17-31-22-24-0062;
 - (14) parcel 17-31-22-24-0063; and
 - (15) parcel 17-31-22-24-0064.

<u>EFFECTIVE DATE.</u> This section is effective the day after the governing bodies of Anoka County and the Lino Lakes Economic Development Authority and their chief clerical officers timely complete their compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.

Sec. 11. <u>PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER;</u> CARLTON COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, Carlton County may sell the tax-forfeited lands bordering public water that are described in paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.
- (b) The conveyances must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make changes to the land descriptions to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
 - (c) The lands to be sold are located in Carlton County and are described as:
- (1) Government Lot 1, Section 6, Township 49 North, Range 18 West (parcel ID number 92-010-0900);
- (2) Government Lot 3, Section 6, Township 49 North, Range 18 West (parcel ID number 92-010-0960);
- (3) the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter or Government Lot 3, Section 31, Township 49 North, Range 18 West (parcel ID number 92-034-5790);
- (4) that part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 3, Township 48 North, Range 21 West, described as: commencing at the northwest corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; thence South 800 feet; thence East 150 feet; thence North 800 feet; thence West 150 feet to the point of beginning, subject to Highway 210 easement, Section 3, Township 48 North, Range 21 West (parcel ID number 29-140-0240); and
- (5) Lots 1 to 4, Block 1, Tamarack Acres, Section 10, Township 48 North, Range 21 West (parcel ID numbers 57-230-0020, 57-230-0040, 57-230-0060, and 57-230-0080).
- (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would best be served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

Sec. 12. FOND DU LAC RESERVATION LANDS; CARLTON COUNTY.

- (a) If a parcel of land subject to sale under Minnesota Statutes, sections 282.01 to 282.13, includes land within the Fond du Lac Indian Reservation, the Carlton County auditor shall first offer the land to the Fond du Lac band of Lake Superior Chippewa for sale at the appraised value. The cost of any survey or appraisal must be added to and made a part of the appraised value. To determine whether the band wants to buy the land, the Carlton County auditor shall give written notice to the band. If the band wants to buy the land, the band shall submit a written offer to the Carlton County auditor within two weeks after receiving the notice. If the offer is for at least the appraised value, the Carlton County auditor shall accept it.
 - (b) The following parcels are exempt from the requirements of paragraph (a):
- (1) Government Lot 4, Section 5, Township 49 North, Range 18 West (parcel ID number 92-010-0790);
- (2) the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter or Government Lot 11, Section 5, Township 49 North, Range 18 West (parcel ID number 92-010-0830); and
- (3) the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 4, Township 49 North, Range 18 West (parcel ID number 92-010-0670).

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day after the governing body of Carlton County and its chief clerical officer timely comply with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021.

Sec. 13. SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATERS; CASS COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, Cass County may sell the tax-forfeited land bordering public waters that is described in paragraph (c).
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
- (c) The land to be sold is in Cass County and is described as: Lot 3, Block 1, Jack Pine Shores in Section 28, Township 140 North, Range 31 West (Parcel ID No. 16-470-0130).
- (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would be best served if the land was returned to private ownership.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 14. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATERS; CROW WING COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, Crow Wing County may sell by private sale to the adjoining landowner the tax-forfeited lands bordering public waters that are described in paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.
- (b) The conveyances must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal descriptions to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
 - (c) The lands to be sold are in Crow Wing County and are described as:
 - (1) parcel ID No. 060354202B00009;
 - (2) parcel ID No. 060354303A00009;
 - (3) parcel ID No. 060354304CA0009; and
 - (4) parcel ID No. 1010300100AA009.
- (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would be best served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 15. <u>PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATERS;</u> CROW WING COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, Crow Wing County may sell the tax-forfeited land bordering public waters that is described in paragraph (c).
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
 - (c) The land to be sold is in Crow Wing County and is described as: parcel ID No. 840063205I00009.

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

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 16. <u>PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND BORDERING PUBLIC</u> WATER; CROW WING COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45, 94.09, and 94.10, the commissioner of natural resources may sell by public or private sale the surplus land bordering public water that is described in paragraph (c).
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
 - (c) The land that may be sold is located in Crow Wing County and is described as:
- (1) that part of Government Lot 1 of Section 12, Township 44 North, Range 28 West, lying and being south of that certain stream or creek running from Borden Lake into Mille Lacs Lake; subject to the right-of-way of existing highway, excepting therefrom that part of said parcel lying easterly of said existing highway;
- (2) that portion of Government Lots 2 and 3 of Section 12, Township 44 North, Range 28 West, which lies between a line parallel to and 700 feet distant northwesterly from the following described line:

From a point on the east line of said Section 12, distant 1,385.9 feet South of the northeast corner thereof, run southwesterly at an angle of 36 degrees 10 minutes with said east section line for a distance of 244 feet; thence deflect to the left at an angle of 2 degrees 27 minutes for a distance of 1,522.8 feet; thence deflect to the left at an angle of 16 degrees 19 minutes for a distance of 550 feet to the point of beginning of line to be described; thence continue southwesterly along the last above-described course for a distance of 35.7 feet; thence deflect to the right on a 3 degree 00 minute curve, delta angle 17 degrees 10 minutes for a distance of 572.2 feet; thence on tangent to said curve for a distance of 907.1 feet and there terminating. Subject to the easement on that portion taken by the Department of Highways, State of Minnesota, for highway purposes; and

(3) that portion of Government Lots 2 and 3 of Section 12, Township 44 North, Range 28 West, which lies between two lines parallel with and distant 700 feet and 775 feet northwesterly of the following described line:

From a point on the east line of said Section 12, distant 1,385.9 feet South of the northeast corner thereof, run southwesterly at an angle of 36 degrees 10 minutes with said east section line for a distance of 244 feet; thence deflect to the left at an angle of 2 degrees 27 minutes for a distance of 1,522.8 feet; thence deflect to the left at an angle of 16 degrees 19 minutes for a distance of 550 feet to the point of beginning of line to be described; thence continue southwesterly along the last above-described course for a distance of 35.7 feet; thence deflect to the right on a 3 degree 00 minute curve, delta angle 17 degrees 10 minutes for a distance of 572.2 feet; thence on tangent to said curve for a distance of 907.1 feet and there terminating.

Containing 24.7 acres, more or less.

(d) The land borders the Garrison Creek diversion channel that drains into Mille Lacs Lake. The Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is no longer needed for fisheries production and that the state's land management interests would best be served if the land were sold. The strip of land east of Highway 169 and bordering Mille Lacs Lake will be retained for natural resources purposes.

Sec. 17. PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; DAKOTA COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45, 94.09, and 94.10, the commissioner of natural resources may sell by private sale the surplus land bordering public water that is described in paragraph (c).
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy. The commissioner may sell the land to a local unit of government for less than the value of the land as determined by the commissioner, but the conveyance must provide that the land described in paragraph (c) be used for the public and reverts to the state if the local unit of government fails to provide for public use or abandons the public use of the land.
- (c) The land that may be sold is located in Dakota County and is described as: all that part of Government Lot One, Section 25, Township 114 North, Range 21 West of the 5th Principal Meridian and Sullivan's First Addition to Marion Heights as surveyed and platted by J. E. Hill, September 23, 1910, and on file with the Register of Deeds Office, Dakota County, Minnesota, bounded by the following described lines: beginning on the north quarter line of said section, 433.0 feet South of the north quarter corner thereof; thence North 57 degrees 00 minutes East, 291.2 feet; thence North 63 degrees 05 minutes East, 404.9 feet; thence South 78 degrees 30 minutes East, 329.9 feet; thence South 73 degrees 50 minutes East, 227.3 feet; thence South 24 degrees 54 minutes West, 193.3 feet; thence South 08 degrees 57 minutes West, 134.0 feet; thence South 09 degrees 25 minutes East, 161.1 feet; thence North 89 degrees 30 minutes West, 292.9 feet; thence North 50 degrees 13 minutes West, 209.8 feet; thence North 87 degrees 31 minutes West, 87.5 feet; thence South 45 degrees 35 minutes West, 189.6 feet; thence South 83 degrees 11 minutes West, 261.7 feet; thence North 68 degrees 06 minutes West, 146.8 feet to the north quarter line of said Section 25; thence North 00 degrees 32 minutes East, 222.3 feet along the north quarter line of said Section 25; thence North 00 degrees 32 minutes East, 222.3 feet along the north quarter line of said Section to the point of beginning. Including all riparian rights to the contained 11.21 acres more or less and subject to existing road easements.
- (d) The land borders Marion Lake, with a portion of the land flooded due to control of lake elevation. The Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed for natural resource purposes and that the state's land management interests would best be served if the land were conveyed to a local unit of government for inclusion in a city park.

Sec. 18. PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND; DAKOTA COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 94.09 and 94.10, the commissioner of natural resources may sell by private sale the surplus land that is described in paragraph (c).
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy. The commissioner may sell the land to a local unit of government for less than the value of the land as determined by the commissioner, but the conveyance must provide that the land described in paragraph (c) be used for the public and reverts to the state if the local unit of government fails to provide for public use or abandons the public use of the land.
- (c) The land that may be sold is located in Dakota County and is described as: Block 9, Lots 6, 7, and 8; Block 10, Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8; Block 11, Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, and 27; Block 12, Lots 1, 2, and 3; Block 13, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 11, 12, and 14; Block 15, Lots 14, 15, 16, and 17; Block 18, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7; Block 7, Lots 5 and 10, all lying in Lyndale Lakes Club Second Addition, Section 11, Township 114, Range 21, containing approximately 4.4 acres, more or less.

(d) The Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed for natural resources purposes and that the state's land management interests would best be served if the land were conveyed to a local unit of government for public use.

Sec. 19. EXCHANGE OF STATE LAND WITHIN RICHARD J. DORER MEMORIAL HARDWOOD STATE FOREST; FILLMORE COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding the riparian restrictions in Minnesota Statutes, section 94.342, subdivision 3, the commissioner of natural resources may, with the approval of the Land Exchange Board as required under the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 10, and according to the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, sections 94.342 to 94.347, exchange the land described in paragraph (b).
 - (b) The state land that may be exchanged is located in Fillmore County and is described as:
- (1) that part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 12, Township 104 North, Range 11 West, lying southerly of the Root River; and
- (2) that part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 7, Township 104 North, Range 10 West, lying southerly of the Root River. Containing a total of 21.3 acres, more or less.
- (c) The state land borders the Root River, but there is no land access to the state land. The land to be acquired in the exchange will improve access to adjacent state forest lands.

Sec. 20. SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATERS; FREEBORN COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, Freeborn County may sell the tax-forfeited land bordering public waters that is described in paragraph (c).
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
- (c) The land to be sold is in Freeborn County and is described as: Parcel ID No. 25.040.0040 in Section 34, Township 104 North, Range 23 West.
- (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would be best served if the land was returned to private ownership.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 21. PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND; GOODHUE COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 94.09 and 94.10, the commissioner of natural resources may sell by private sale the surplus land that is described in paragraph (c).
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
- (c) The land that may be sold is located in Goodhue County and is described as: That part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 36, Township 112 North, Range 15 West, Goodhue County, Minnesota described as follows: commencing at the northeast corner of said Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; thence West along the north line thereof a distance of 121.00 feet; thence South parallel with the east line of said Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter a distance of 469.00 feet to the point of beginning of the land to be described; thence deflecting 74 degrees 05 minutes 35 seconds left a distance of 125.82 feet to a point on the east line of said Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; thence South along said east line of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter a distance of 34.35 feet; thence

deflecting 68 degrees 41 minutes 35 seconds right a distance of 192.41 feet; thence deflecting 21 degrees 34 minutes 56 seconds right, parallel with the north line of said Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, a distance of 274.27 feet; thence deflecting 17 degrees 18 minutes 00 seconds left a distance of 156.54 feet; thence deflecting 35 degrees 54 minutes 26 seconds right a distance of 343.33 feet to the southwest corner of the East 928.00 feet of the North 545.00 feet of said Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; thence East along the south line of the North 545.00 feet of said Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter a distance of 807.00 feet to the east line of the West 7.00 feet of the East 128.00 feet of the North 545.00 feet of said Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; thence North, parallel with the east line of said Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, a distance of 76.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing 1.38 acres, more or less.

(d) The Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed for natural resource purposes and that the state's land management interests would best be served if the land were conveyed to an adjacent landowner.

Sec. 22. <u>PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATERS;</u> HUBBARD COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, Hubbard County may sell the tax-forfeited land bordering public waters that is described in paragraph (c).
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
 - (c) The land to be sold is in Hubbard County and is described as: parcel ID No. 22-30-04021.
- (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would be best served if the land was returned to private ownership.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 23. SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATERS; ITASCA COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, Itasca County may sell the tax-forfeited land bordering public waters that is described in paragraph (c).
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
- (c) The land to be sold is in Itasca County and is described as: the East Half of Lot 2, Section 23, Township 60 North, Range 27 West (property number 38.123.1301).
- (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would be best served if the land was returned to private ownership.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 24. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND; ITASCA COUNTY.

(a) Notwithstanding the public sale and the timber value appraisal provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, Itasca County may sell by private sale to the adjoining landowner the tax-forfeited lands that were reserved in a previous tax-forfeited land sale and that are described in paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section

- 282.01, subdivision 3, paragraph (b), the land may be sold for the appraised value without an appraisal of the timber value.
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
- (c) The lands to be sold are lands reserved from previous tax-forfeited land sales that are within 50 feet of the centerline of any legal highway or any legal roadway with public use.
- (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would be best served if the lands were returned to private ownership. The lands to be sold have not been treated as separate parcels and have been taxed as private land since they were reserved from sale.

Sec. 25. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; ITASCA COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, Itasca County may sell by private sale the undivided partial interest to the owner of the remaining interest the tax-forfeited land that is described in paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
- (c) The land to be sold is in Itasca County and is described as: an undivided 1/128 interest in Government Lot 3, in Section 23, Township 56, Range 24.
- (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would be best served if the partial interest was returned to private ownership.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 26. <u>PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER;</u> KOOCHICHING COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, Koochiching County may sell the tax-forfeited land bordering public water that is described in paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy. Prior to the sale, the commissioner of revenue shall grant a permanent conservation easement according to Minnesota Statutes, section 282.37. The easement shall be 75 feet in width lying easterly to the centerline of the stream, to provide riparian protection and angler access.
 - (c) The land to be sold is located in Koochiching County and is described as:

Beginning at the southeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 3, Township 154 North, Range 25 West; thence about ten rods to the bank of Billy Creek; thence, in a northeasterly direction along Billy Creek to a point where Billy Creek intersects the east line of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 3, Township 154 North, Range 25 West; thence South 35 rods to the point of beginning (approximately 2.5 acres). Also known as part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter lying east of Billy Creek, Section 3, Township 154 North, Range 25 West (approximately 2.5 acres).

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

Sec. 27. PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; LAC QUI PARLE COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45, 94.09, and 94.10, the commissioner of natural resources may sell by private sale the surplus land bordering public water that is described in paragraph (c).
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy. The commissioner may sell the land to a local unit of government for less than the value of the land as determined by the commissioner, but the conveyance must provide that the land described in paragraph (c) be used for the public and reverts to the state if the local unit of government fails to provide for public use or abandons the public use of the land.
- (c) The land that may be sold is located in Lac Qui Parle County and is described as: that part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 118, Range 42, described as follows: commencing at the southeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 30; thence on an assumed bearing of South 89 degrees 52 minutes 06 seconds West, along the south line of said Northeast Quarter, a distance of 1,323.46 feet to the point of beginning of the land to be described; thence continue South 89 degrees 52 minutes 06 seconds West, along said south line, a distance of 627.00 feet (38 rods); thence North 35 degrees 12 minutes 45 seconds West, a distance of 346.50 feet; thence North 05 degrees 00 minutes 14 seconds East, a distance of 239.25 feet; thence North 14 degrees 01 minutes 33 seconds East, a distance of 198.00 feet; thence North 88 degrees 11 minutes 39 seconds East, a distance of 34 feet, to the centerline of the Lac Qui Parle River; thence northeasterly and southeasterly, along the centerline of said river to intersect a line that bears North 00 degrees 48 minutes 00 seconds West from the point of beginning; thence South 00 degrees 48 minutes 00 seconds East, a distance of 762 feet, to the point of beginning. Containing a total of 15.66 acres, more or less.
- (d) The land borders the Lac Qui Parle River. The Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed for natural resource purposes and that the state's land management interests would best be served if the land were conveyed to a local unit of government for inclusion in a county park.

Sec. 28. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND; LAKE COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, or other law to the contrary, Lake County may sell by private sale the tax-forfeited land described in paragraph (c).
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
 - (c) The land to be sold is located in Lake County and is described as:
- (1) an 1/2 undivided interest in the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 19, Township 63 North, Range 11 West; and
- (2) the West 330 feet of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 4, Township 57 North, Range 7 West.
- (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would best be served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

Sec. 29. <u>PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; LAKE</u> COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, Lake County may sell the tax-forfeited lands bordering public water that are described in paragraph (c) under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.
- (b) The conveyances must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make changes to the land descriptions to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
 - (c) The lands to be sold are located in Lake County and are described as:
- (1) part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 2, Township 58 North, Range 6 West;
- (2) the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 5, Township 63 North, Range 9 West; and
 - (3) the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 5, Township 63 North, Range 9 West.
- (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would best be served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

Sec. 30. <u>PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC</u> WATER; LAKE COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, Lake County may sell by public or private sale the tax-forfeited lands bordering public water that are described in paragraph (c) under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.
- (b) The conveyances must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make changes to the land descriptions to correct errors and ensure accuracy. If land described under paragraph (c) is sold by private sale, the land may be sold for less than the appraised value if the conveyance provides that the land reverts to the state if the land is not used as a data center or for another economic development purpose approved by the county. Prior to the sales, the commissioner of revenue shall grant permanent conservation easements according to Minnesota Statutes, section 282.37, for the lands described in paragraph (c). The easements shall serve to provide riparian protection and access for anglers and for future restoration work. The easement for the land described in paragraph (c), clause (1), shall be lying easterly of the centerline of the Little West Branch Knife River and lying 75 feet in width westerly of the centerline of the river. The easements for the lands described in paragraph (c), clauses (2) and (3), shall be lying 75 feet in width on each side of the centerline of the unnamed creek and a 33-foot strip across the easement is allowed for road access and utilities at a location agreed upon by the county and the state.
 - (c) The lands to be sold are located in Lake County and are described as:
 - (1) the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 6, Township 52 North, Range 11 West;
- (2) the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 6, Township 52 North, Range 11 West; and
 - (3) the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 6, Township 52 North, Range 11 West.
- (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would best be served if the lands were returned to private ownership for economic development.

Sec. 31. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, St. Louis County may sell by private sale the tax-forfeited lands bordering public water that are described in paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.
- (b) The conveyances must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make changes to the land descriptions to correct errors and ensure accuracy. Prior to the sales, the commissioner of revenue shall grant permanent conservation easements, according to Minnesota Statutes, section 282.37, for the lands described in paragraph (c), clauses (3), (4), and (5). The easements shall serve to provide riparian protection and access for anglers and for future restoration work. The easements for the lands described in paragraph (c), clauses (3) and (4), shall be 75 feet in width, lying southerly of the centerline of the stream. The easement for the land described in paragraph (c), clause (5), shall be 75 feet in width, lying northerly of the centerline of the stream.
 - (c) The lands to be sold are located in St. Louis County and are described as:
- (1) Lots 377 through 399, odd-numbered lots, Lower Duluth Minnesota Avenue, Section 12, Township 49 North, Range 14 West (parcel 010-3110-01950);
- (2) part of Lot 2 beginning at the northwest corner; thence southerly 628.4 feet; thence southeasterly at an angle of 102 degrees 17 minutes, 693 feet; thence southerly at an angle of 90 degrees, 12 feet to the point of beginning; thence northerly 112 feet; thence easterly 300 feet to the shore of Stone Lake; thence southwesterly along the lakeshore to the point of beginning, except that part north of the road, Section 27, Township 55 North, Range 12 West (parcel 230-0010-04549);
- (3) Lot 440, Homecroft Park, Town of Rice Lake, Section 34, Township 51 North, Range 14 West (parcel 520-0130-00460);
- (4) Lot 493, Homecroft Park, Town of Rice Lake, Section 34, Township 51 North, Range 14 West (parcel 520-0130-01020); and
- (5) Lot 533, Homecroft Park, Town of Rice Lake, Section 34, Township 51 North, Range 14 West (parcel 520-0130-01430).
- (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would best be served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

Sec. 32. <u>PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.</u>

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, St. Louis County may sell the tax-forfeited lands bordering public water that are described in paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.
- (b) The conveyances must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make changes to the land descriptions to correct errors and ensure accuracy. Prior to the sales, the commissioner of revenue shall grant permanent conservation easements, according to Minnesota Statutes, section 282.37, for the lands described in paragraph (c), clauses (8) to (13). The easements shall serve to provide riparian protection and access for anglers and for future restoration work. The easement for the land described in paragraph (c), clause (8), shall lie southerly of the centerline of the stream and 75 feet in width lying northerly of the centerline of the stream. The easement for the lands described in paragraph (c), clauses (10) and (13), shall be 75 feet in width, lying northerly of the centerline of the stream. The easement for the land described in paragraph (c), clause (9), shall be 150 feet in width, lying 75 feet on each side of

the centerline of the stream. The easement for the lands described in paragraph (c), clauses (11) and (12), shall be 75 feet in width, lying southerly of the centerline of the stream.

- (c) The lands to be sold are located in St. Louis County and are described as:
- (1) Lots 32 through 44, even-numbered lots, Upper Duluth St. Louis Avenue, Section 35, Township 50 North, Range 14 West (parcel 010-4400-01330);
- (2) Lot 4, Block 2, Rearrangement of Part of Stony Brook Park, Section 13, Township 58 North, Range 18 West (parcel 175-0062-00090);
- (3) the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 19, Township 52 North, Range 18 West (parcel 205-0010-03430);
- (4) Lots 1 and 2, Michaels Beach, Town of Ellsburg, Section 6, Township 55 North, Range 17 West (parcel 320-0100-00010);
- (5) Lots 1 to 12, Block 6; Lots 1 to 7 and 15 to 24, Block 7; and Block 12, Ellsburg, Section 18, Township 55 North, Range 16 West;
- (6) Lots 1 to 24, Block 8; Lots 1 to 6 and 17 to 24, Block 9; and Block 10, Ellsburg, Section 18, Township 55 North, Range 16 West;
- (7) part of Lot 18, lying North of the intersection of the easterly right-of-way of the county road and the west line of the river and South of a line beginning on the easterly road right-of-way 450 feet northerly of said intersection; thence easterly to a point on the westerly line of the river 450 feet northerly of said intersection, McDavitt, Section 19, Township 56 North, Range 18 West (parcel 435-0010-03392);
- (8) the northerly 435.6 feet of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, except the westerly 400 feet, Section 12, Township 51 North, Range 14 West (parcel 520-0012-00555);
- (9) the North Half of the North Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 15, Township 51 North, Range 14 West (parcel 520-0012-01460);
- (10) Lots 477 to 479, Homecroft Park, Town of Rice Lake, Section 34, Township 51 North, Range 14 West (parcel 520-0130-00840);
- (11) Lot 534, Homecroft Park, Town of Rice Lake, Section 34, Township 51 North, Range 14 West (parcel 520-0130-01440);
- (12) Lot 543, Homecroft Park, Town of Rice Lake, Section 34, Township 51 North, Range 14 West (parcel 520-0130-01530);
- (13) Lot 544, Homecroft Park, Town of Rice Lake, Section 34, Township 51 North, Range 14 West (parcel 520-0130-01540); and
- (14) the easterly 330 feet of the westerly 660 feet of the northerly 265 feet of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and the easterly 330 feet of the westerly 660 feet of the southerly 395 feet of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 34, Township 57 North, Range 15 West (parcel 570-0012-04792).
- (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would best be served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

Sec. 33. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.

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

- (b) The conveyances must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
 - (c) The lands to be sold are located in St. Louis County and are described as:
- (1) part of Lot 37, Block 4, except the Southwest Half and except the East 7.5 feet, Grant Park Division of Duluth, Section 30, Township 50 North, Range 14 West (parcel 010-1960-00670);
- (2) beginning 1,088.74 feet North of an iron monument marking the east side of Vermilion Road 455.34 feet East of the southwest corner of Section 10 and extending easterly 231.49 feet; thence southerly 100.46 feet; thence westerly 238.82 feet to the east side of Vermilion Road; thence northerly 100 feet to the point of beginning, also called Lot 2, Block 3, private plat, Aurora Lands In The City, Section 10, Township 58 North, Range 15 West (parcel 100-0080-00980); and
- (3) the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 24, Township 65 North, Range 20 West, except:
 - (i) the railroad right-of-way, 2.90 acres;
 - (ii) two acres for the state highway;
 - (iii) that part northeasterly of the highway;
 - (iv) that part of the North 400 feet lying westerly of the highway;
 - (v) the South 320 feet of the North 720 feet; and
 - (vi) that part lying South of the North 1,020 feet (parcel 425-0040-04030).
- (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interest would best be served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

Sec. 34. EXCHANGE OF STATE LAND; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 92.461, and the riparian restrictions in Minnesota Statutes, section 94.342, subdivision 3, the commissioner of natural resources may, with the approval of the Land Exchange Board, as required under the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 10, and according to the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, sections 94.342 to 94.347, exchange the land described in paragraph (c).
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
 - (c) The state lands that may be conveyed are located in St. Louis County and are described as:
 - (1) Section 6, Township 54, Range 17;
 - (2) Sections 1, 2, 11, and 12, Township 54, Range 18;
- (3) Sections 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and 33, Township 55, Range 17;
 - (4) Sections 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 22, 24, 25, 27, and 36, Township 55, Range 18; and
 - (5) Sections 25, 26, 34, and 36, Township 56, Range 18.
- (d) Prior to initiating a land exchange pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 94.343, the commissioner of natural resources shall consult with the Legislative Permanent School Fund Commission to obtain its advice on the proposed priority lands for exchange.

Sec. 35. <u>CONVEYANCE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER;</u> STEVENS COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 94.09 to 94.16, the commissioner of natural resources shall convey to a local unit of government the surplus land bordering public water that is described in paragraph (c).
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy. The commissioner shall convey the land described in paragraph (c) to a local unit of government for no consideration, but the conveyance must provide that the land described in paragraph (c) be open to public use and reverts to the state if the land is used for anything other than land that is open to public use at no charge. The conveyance must include the reservation of a road easement for ingress and egress through the property to the adjoining water access site.
- (c) The land to be conveyed is located in Stevens County and is described as: that part of Government Lot 8, Section 30, Township 126 North, Range 41 West, lying between the water's edge of Pomme De Terre Lake and the following described line: beginning at a point on the south line of Government Lot 8, 2,546 feet East and 1,333.3 feet North of the southwest corner of Section 30; thence westerly along the south line of said Government Lot 8, Township 126 North, Range 41 West, a distance of 362.1 feet; thence North 12 degrees West, a distance of 522 feet; thence South 89 degrees 30 minutes East, a distance of 200 feet to Pomme De Terre Lake, and there terminating, including all riparian rights appurtenant thereto. Excepting therefrom the North 190.00 feet. Containing 2.09 acres more or less.
- (d) The legislature has determined that the state's land management interests are best served if the land is conveyed to a local unit of government.

Sec. 36. EXCHANGE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATERS; WINONA COUNTY.

- (a) Notwithstanding the riparian restrictions in Minnesota Statutes, section 94.342, subdivision 3, Winona County may, with the approval of the Land Exchange Board as required under the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 10, and according to the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, sections 94.342 to 94.347, exchange the land described in paragraph (c).
- (b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.
- (c) The land that may be exchanged is located in Winona County and is described as: Lot 5, Section 16, Township 107 North, Range 9 West, containing ten acres, more or less.
- (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would best be served if the land was exchanged for a private parcel.

Presented to the governor May 16, 2013

Signed by the governor May 20, 2013, 3:13 p.m.