

CHAPTER 217--S.F.No. 2449

An act relating to natural resources; modifying disposition of certain land and revenue; adding to and deleting from state forests and recreation areas; authorizing public and private sales and exchanges of certain state lands; merging certain state parks; authorizing the purchase of a dam; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 89.022; 459.06, subdivision 1; 477A.17; Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 85.012, subdivision 38a; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 85.012, subdivision 53a.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 85.012, subdivision 38a, is amended to read:

Subd. 38a. Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine State Park, St. Louis County.

Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine State Park, St. Louis County.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 89.022, is amended to read:

89.022 DISPOSAL OF TILLABLE LAND IN MEMORIAL HARDWOOD FOREST.

Subdivision 1. **Exchange or sale required.** If any parcel acquired for the Memorial Hardwood Forest after July 1, 1977 contains more than ten contiguous acres of tillable land adjacent to other tillable land or to a maintained public road or a farm homestead consisting of a residence and farm buildings abutting a maintained public road, the commissioner of natural resources shall either exchange the land for other land suitable for forest purposes or declare the land as surplus land to the commissioner of administration. The commissioner of administration shall offer the land for sale in the manner provided by law not less than six months after acquisition by the state and once thereafter in each of the next two years. Tillable land is land classified as class 1, 2, or 3 as defined by the United States Soil Conservation Service. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary neither the state nor any of its subdivisions shall be required to construct or maintain any street, highway or other road to provide access to any parcel of land sold or exchanged pursuant to this section. The commissioner of natural resources may retain easements over parcels sold or exchanged pursuant to this section as are required for purposes of providing access to public waters or forest lands or access to insure stream bank stabilization and protection.

Subd. 2. **Exemption.** The commissioner of natural resources may apply to the ~~Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources~~ county board for an exemption from the exchange or sale requirements of subdivision 1 in instances where it can be demonstrated that ~~unique recreational, historical or scientific values would be destroyed by the exchange or sale of tillable land or a farm homestead~~ has been or will be acquired for natural resource and public access purposes. Exemptions shall be decided by the commissioner on an individual basis. The county board may approve or disapprove the exemption. If the application for exemption is not decided by the commissioner county board within 90 days, the application shall be deemed to have been ~~denied~~ approved.

Subd. 3. **Disposition.** Money collected pursuant to this section 89.022 shall be deposited in the ~~general fund~~ natural resources fund established under section 16A.531, subdivision 2.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 459.06, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Accept donations.** Any county, city, or town may by resolution of its governing body accept donations of land that the governing body deems to be better adapted for the production of timber and wood than for any other purpose, for a forest, and may manage it on forestry principles. The donor of not less than 100 acres of any such land shall be entitled to have the land perpetually bear the donor's name. The governing body of any city or town, when funds are available or have been levied therefor, may, when authorized by a majority vote by ballot of the voters voting at any general or special city election or town meeting where the question is properly submitted, purchase or obtain by condemnation proceedings, and preferably at the sources of streams, any tract of land for a forest which is better adapted for the production of timber and wood than for any other purpose, and which is conveniently located for the purpose, and manage it on forestry principles. ~~The selection of the lands and the plan of management must be approved by the director of lands and forestry.~~ The city or town may annually levy a tax on all taxable property within its boundaries to procure and maintain such forests.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.17, is amended to read:

477A.17 LAKE VERMILION STATE PARK AND SOUDAN VERMILION-SOUDAN UNDERGROUND MINE STATE PARK; ANNUAL PAYMENTS.

(a) ~~Beginning in fiscal year 2012,~~ In lieu of the payment amount provided under section 477A.12, subdivision 1, clause (1), the county shall receive an annual payment for state-owned land acquired for within the boundary of Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine State Park, established in section 85.012, subdivision 38a, and land within the boundary of Soudan Underground Mine State Park, established in section 85.012, subdivision 53a, equal to 1.5 percent of the appraised value of the state-owned land.

(b) For the purposes of this section, the appraised value of the land acquired for Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine State Park for the first five years after acquisition shall be the purchase price of the land, plus the value of any portion of the land that is acquired by donation. ~~The appraised value must be redetermined by the county assessor every five years after the land is acquired. Thereafter, the appraised value of the state-owned land shall be as determined under section 477A.12, subdivision 3.~~

(c) The annual payments under this section shall be distributed to the taxing jurisdictions containing the property as follows: one-third to the school districts; one-third to the town; and one-third to the county. The payment to school districts is not a county apportionment under section 127A.34 and is not subject to aid recapture. Each of those taxing jurisdictions may use the payments for their general purposes.

(d) Except as provided in this section, the payments shall be made as provided in sections 477A.11 to 477A.13.

Sec. 5. DELETIONS FROM STATE RECREATION AREA.

[85.013][Subd. 11b.] Greenleaf Lake State Recreation Area, Meeker County. The following areas are deleted from the Greenleaf Lake State Recreation Area:

(1) the West Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 29, Township 118 North, Range 30 West;

(2) the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, and the South 15 acres of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, all in Section 30, Township 118 North, Range 30 West; and

(3) the West 15 acres of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 32, Township 118 North, Range 30 West.

Sec. 6. ADDITION TO STATE FOREST.

[89.021][Subd. 48a.] Snake River State Forest. The following area is added to the Snake River State Forest: Sections 15 and 16, Township 42 North, Range 23 West.

Sec. 7. PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; BECKER 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 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. The commissioner may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

(c) The land that may be sold is located in Becker County and is described as: that part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 140 North, Range 36 West, described as follows:

Commencing at the northwest corner of said Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; thence on an assumed bearing of South 89 degrees 36 minutes 26 seconds East, a distance of 1,020.56 feet along the north line of said Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter to the point of beginning; thence South 00 degrees 01 minutes 30 seconds West, a distance of 222.19 feet; thence North 73 degrees 06 minutes 43 seconds East, a distance of 222.99 feet; thence North 12 degrees 38 minutes 24 seconds East, a distance of 159.58 feet to the north line of said Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; thence North 89 degrees 36 minutes 26 seconds West, a distance of 248.21 feet along said north line to the point of beginning, excepting the right-of-way of Minnesota Trunk Highway 34.

Containing approximately 0.5 acres, more or less.

(d) The land described in paragraph (c) borders the Straight 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 public use.

Sec. 8. PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; BELTRAMI COUNTY.

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, Beltrami 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 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 lands to be sold are located in Beltrami County and are described as:

(1) part of Government Lot 1, Section 17, Township 154 North, Range 30 West (PIN No. 49.00135.01);

(2) part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 15, Township 146 North, Range 31 West (PIN No. 46.00208.00); and

(3) part of Government Lot 3, Section 32, Township 155 North, Range 30 West (PIN No. 49.00172.03).

(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. 9. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER;
BELTRAMI COUNTY.**

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, Beltrami County may sell by private sale to a state agency the tax-forfeited lands bordering public water that are 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.

(c) The lands to be sold are located in Beltrami County and are described as:

(1) Part of Government Lot 2, Section 10, Township 146 North, Range 33 West (PIN No. 80.00240.00); and

(2) Outlot A, Lind's Addition to Bemidji, Section 2, Township 146 North, Range 33 West (PIN No. 80.04443.00).

(d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would best be served if the lands were conveyed to a state agency for natural resources management.

**Sec. 10. CONVEYANCE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER;
CARVER COUNTY.**

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, Carver County may convey to the city of Norwood Young America for less than the appraised value the tax-forfeited land bordering public water that is described in paragraph (c).

(b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general and provide that the land reverts to the state if the city of Norwood Young America stops using the land for the public purpose described in paragraph (d). The attorney general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

(c) The land to be conveyed is located in Carver County and is described as: Outlot A, The Preserve 3rd Addition (parcel 58.6520890).

(d) The county has determined that the land is needed by the city of Norwood Young America for a public park or lake access.

Sec. 11. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; CARVER COUNTY.

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45, 282.01, subdivision 1, and 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 282, Carver 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, section 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. The county may convey the land to the city of Watertown for less than the market value of the land as determined by the county board, but the conveyance must provide that the land described in paragraph (c) be used for a public use, as described in Minnesota Statutes, section 282.01, subdivision 1a, which may include but is not limited to a park, trails system, public transit system facility, and public service facility, which may include a water tower, administrative offices, a lift station, and a public works facility, as well as use in a wetland bank restoration project as defined in Minnesota Statutes, sections 103G.222 to 103G.2243, in which a conditional use deed or deed restrictions may be recorded. The land described in paragraph (c) may be subsequently subdivided and conveyed, in whole or in part, to other local governmental subdivisions of the state to accomplish these public uses. The land described in paragraph (c) is subject to the reverter interest of the state pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 282.01, subdivisions 1c and 1d.

(c) The lands to be sold are located in Carver County and are described as:

the South Half of Southeast Quarter of Section 9, Township 117, Range 25, Carver County, Minnesota, except those parts described as follows, to wit: commencing at the southwest corner of Southeast Quarter of said Section 9; thence running North 60 rods to a point in the center of the Watertown, Chaska and Carver Road; thence southeasterly 73 rods to south line of said Southeast Quarter; thence West 44 rods to place of beginning. EXCEPTING THEREFROM that part of the South Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 9, Township 117 North, Range 25 West, Carver County, Minnesota, described as follows: commencing at the South Quarter corner of Section 9; thence on an assumed bearing of East along the south line of said Southeast Quarter 726.00 feet (44 rods) to the point of beginning of the tract to be described; thence North 36 degrees 59 minutes 00 seconds West along a line that would intersect the west line of said Southeast Quarter at a point 990.00 feet (60 rods) North of said South Quarter corner a distance of 267.81 feet; thence on a bearing of East a distance of 493.23 feet; thence on a bearing of South 1 degree 30 minutes 00 seconds West a distance of 214.00 feet to said south line of the Southeast Quarter; thence on a bearing of West a distance of 326.52 feet to the actual point of beginning; ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM that part of the South Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 9, Township 117 North, Range 25 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, described as follows: commencing at the southwest corner of said Southeast Quarter; thence on an assumed bearing of East along the south line of said Southeast Quarter a distance of 726.00 feet; thence North 37 degrees 04 minutes 30 seconds West, along a line that will intersect the west line of said Southeast Quarter at a point 990.00 feet northerly from said southwest corner of the Southeast Quarter, a distance of 267.81 feet; thence on a bearing of East a distance of 273.66 feet to the point of beginning of the land to be described; thence continuing on a bearing of East a distance of 219.57 feet; thence on a bearing of South 1 degree 30 minutes 00 seconds West to said south line of the Southeast Quarter; thence on a bearing of East along said south line a distance of 236.23 feet; thence on a bearing of North a distance of 556.20 feet; thence on a bearing of West a distance of 65.27 feet; thence South 48

degrees 20 minutes 11 seconds West a distance of 515.27 feet to the point of beginning; ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM all that part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 9, Township 117 North, Range 25 West, Carver County, Minnesota, lying southwesterly of the southwesterly right-of-way line of County State-Aid Highway No. 10, as described in Document No. 58827, as recorded in the office of the Carver County Recorder; ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM that part thereof platted as Tuscany Village (PIN No. 85.0092900).

(d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would best be served if the land were conveyed to the city of Watertown for the use described in paragraph (b).

Sec. 12. PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATERS; CHISAGO COUNTY.

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, Chisago County may sell the tax-forfeited land bordering public waters 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 legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

(c) The land to be sold is located in Chisago County and is described as: those parts of Lots 4, 5, and 6 in Block 2 of Starks Second Addition to Harris lying south of Goose Creek (PID No. 14.00394.00).

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

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

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, Chisago County may sell by private sale to the adjoining landowner the tax-forfeited land bordering public waters 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 legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

(c) The land to be sold is located in Chisago County and is described as: that part of Government Lot 5 described as follows: beginning at the southeast corner of Section 6; thence North 1 degree 5 minutes West 1,644.50 feet; thence South 88 degrees 22 minutes 30 seconds West 401.10 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 4 degrees 17 minutes 30 seconds East 150 feet; thence South 88 degrees 22 minutes 30 seconds West 220 feet more or less to the shoreline of Chain Lake; thence northwesterly on the shoreline 150 feet more or less to a point of intersection with a line bearing South 88 degrees 22 minutes 30 seconds East from the point of beginning; thence North 88 degrees 22 minutes 30 seconds East 337 feet more or less to the point of beginning, Section 5, Township 35, Range 21 (PID No. 11.00118.00).

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

Sec. 14. PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; LAKE 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 conveyance 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 Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 33, Township 55, Range 11 (25-5511-33791); and

(2) the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 31, Township 64, Range 11 (28-6411-31250).

(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. 15. PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; 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 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.

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

(1) part of Government Lot 3, City of Baxter, Section 7, Township 133, Range 28, described as: beginning at the northwest corner of said Government Lot 3; thence East 300 feet along the north line of said Lot 3; thence South 1 degree 44 minutes West, 262.8 feet; thence South 32 degrees 51 minutes West, 149.6 feet to shore of Perch Lake; thence North 50 degrees 7 minutes West, 283 feet along shore of said lake to west line of said lot; thence North 1 degree 44 minutes East, 207.1 feet to point of beginning. PIN #010073103C00009;

(2) Government Lot 5, City of Crosslake, Section 21, Township 137, Range 27, except:

(i) 10 acres acquired by USA in condemnation decree in Register of Deeds Office in Book (E), page 151;

(ii) .70 acres acquired by USA in decree in Book 31, page 120;

(iii) part of Government Lot 5 described as: beginning at the quarter corner of west line of said lot; thence East 127.2 feet South 27 degrees 10 minutes East, 128.3 feet; thence South 29 degrees 21 minutes West, 70 feet; thence South 5 degrees 19 minutes West, 180 feet; thence West 134.9 feet; thence west line of said lot; thence North 354.5 feet along said west line to point of beginning;

- (iv) that parcel sold to James W. Oberg;
- (v) part to Mudek;
- (vi) part to Robert Souther;
- (vii) two parcels conveyed to Crosslake Rental and Leasing Co. as recorded on Doc #495065;
- (viii) that part conveyed to Unlimited Potential Enterprises on recorded Doc #565043; and
- (ix) that part conveyed to Paul and Patricia Willmus on recorded Doc #562741.

Subject to restrictions and reservations of record and subject to easement of record. PIN #120213205BCB009;

(3) Lot 6, Block 1, Vansickle Creek Estates, City of Emily, Section 23, Township 138, Range 26. PIN #211490010060009; and

(4) the North 80 feet of Government Lot 1, Section 15, lying West of East 151.92 feet thereof and also the South 35 feet of the North 115 feet of Government Lot 1, Section 15, lying West of East 351.91 feet thereof with an easement of record and also the North 30 feet of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 15, lying West of Nisswa Village Road, City of Nisswa, Section 15, Township 135, Range 29. Subject to easements, reservations, and restrictions of record. PIN #280152101AA0009.

(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. 16. CONVEYANCE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATERS; DAKOTA COUNTY.

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45; 282.01, subdivision 1a; and 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, Dakota County may convey to the city of Rosemount for no consideration the tax-forfeited 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 conveyance must provide that the land reverts to the state if the city of Rosemount stops using the land for park or trail purposes.

(c) The land to be conveyed is described as Outlot J of Outlots of Brockway (Dakota County PID No. 34-54300-00-100).

(d) The county has determined that the county's land management interest would be best served if the land is conveyed to the city of Rosemount for park or trail purposes.

Sec. 17. CONVEYANCE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; HENNEPIN COUNTY.

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, Hennepin County may convey to a governmental subdivision

of the state for no consideration the tax-forfeited land bordering public water that is described in paragraph (c).

(b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general and provide that the land reverts to the state if the governmental subdivision stops using the land for the public purpose described in paragraph (d). The attorney general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

(c) The land to be conveyed is located in Hennepin County and is described as: Lot 3, Block 2, Oak Hollow (Hennepin County tax identification number 08-119-23 23 0012).

(d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would be best served if the land is conveyed to a governmental subdivision of the state for use as a recreational trail and for maintenance of the land in its natural state.

Sec. 18. CONVEYANCE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; HENNEPIN COUNTY.

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

(b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general and provide that the land reverts to the state if the governmental subdivision stops using the land for the public purpose described in paragraph (d). The attorney general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

(c) The land to be conveyed is located in Hennepin County and is described as: Outlot B, Boulder Pointe (Hennepin County tax identification number 21-116-22 11 0021).

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

Sec. 19. CONVEYANCE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; HENNEPIN COUNTY.

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

(b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general and provide that the land reverts to the state if the governmental subdivision stops using the land for the public purpose described in paragraph (d). The attorney general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

(c) The land to be conveyed is located in Hennepin County and is described as: including adjacent part of Wawonaissa Common, Lot 19, Block 7, "Woodland Point," Hennepin County, Minnesota (Hennepin County tax identification number 13-117-24 21 0080).

(d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would be best served if the land is conveyed to a governmental subdivision for preservation of wetlands and open water purposes.

Sec. 20. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND; HENNEPIN COUNTY.

(a) Notwithstanding the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, or other law to the contrary, Hennepin 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 Hennepin County and is described as: except road, Tract C, Registered Land Survey No. 0047, Hennepin County, Minnesota (Hennepin County tax identification number 24-027-24 22 0003).

(d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would best be served if the land is sold to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service for conservation, hiking, wildlife observation, and environmental education.

Sec. 21. CONVEYANCE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; ISANTI COUNTY.

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

(b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general and provide that the land reverts to the state if the city of Isanti stops using the land for the public purpose described in paragraph (d). 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 scenic easement to be held in the name of the Department of Natural Resources for the parcel described in paragraph (c) located within Sections 24 and 25, Township 35, Range 24, to protect the scenic, recreational, and natural characteristics of the Rum River, according to Minnesota Statutes, sections 103F.311, subdivision 6, and 103F.331, subdivision 1. The easement shall be 400 feet in width, lying easterly of the centerline of the Rum River.

(c) The land to be conveyed is located in Isanti County and is described as:

Section 36, Township 35, Range 24, Rum River Meadows Outlot D; ALSO Section 25, Township 35, Range 24, Villages on the Rum 5th Addition Outlot A, also in Section 24, Township 35, Range 24.

(d) The county has determined that the land is needed by the city of Isanti to use as a park.

Sec. 22. 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 tax-forfeited lands bordering public water that are 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.

(c) The lands to be sold are located in Itasca County and are described as:

(1) the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, less 3.42 acres for the railroad right-of-way, Section 36, Township 145, Range 25 (PIN No. 11-236-4400); and

(2) Lot 4, less that part lying East of creek, Section 14, Township 58, Range 24 (PIN No. 04-114-1302).

(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. 23. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND; ITASCA COUNTY.

(a) Notwithstanding the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, or other law to the contrary, Itasca 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. The land must be sold for no less than its market value. The purchaser must provide a certified survey of the land acceptable to the county and must pay all survey and appraisal costs.

(c) The land to be sold is located in Itasca County and is described as: the West 50 feet of the North 380 feet of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 19, Township 58 North, Range 24 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. 24. EXCHANGE OF STATE LAND; KANABEC 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 riparian land described in paragraph (b).

(b) The state land that may be exchanged is located in Kanabec County and is described as:

(1) the Northeast Quarter, Northwest Quarter, and Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, all in Section 16, Township 42 North, Range 24 West; and

(2) the East Half of the Northeast Quarter, North Half of the Southeast Quarter, and South Half of the Southeast Quarter, all in Section 9, Township 42 North, Range 23 West.

(c) The state land administered by the commissioner of natural resources borders the Snake River. The state land administered by the county borders Hay Creek. While those lands do not provide at least equal opportunity for access to the waters by the public, the land to be acquired by the commissioner in the exchange will improve access to adjacent state forest lands.

Sec. 25. PUBLIC SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND WITHIN STATE PARK; KITTSON COUNTY.

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 85.012, subdivision 1, the commissioner of natural resources may sell by public sale the surplus land within Lake Bronson State Park described in paragraph (c).

(b) The commissioner may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

(c) The land that may be sold is located in Kittson County and is described as: the following lots located in the Lakeside Subdivision Plat, located within the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 33, Township 161 North, Range 46 West:

(1) Lots 3 and 4, Block 1;

(2) Lots 4, 5, 7 to 9, and 13 to 15, Block 4; and

(3) Lots 1 to 7 and 12 to 15, Block 5.

Containing 2.15 acres, more or less.

(d) The Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed for natural resource purposes.

(e) Proceeds of land sales under this section may be used only to acquire property within Lake Bronson State Park.

Sec. 26. PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; LAKE OF THE WOODS COUNTY.

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, Lake of the Woods 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 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 lands to be sold are located in Lake of the Woods County and are described as:

(1) Lot 20 and part of Lot 9, Auditors Plat #2, Section 18, Township 161, Range 33 (PIN No. 62.51.00.200); and

(2) part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 5, Township 159, Range 31 (PIN No. 37.05.44.000).

(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 TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; MARTIN COUNTY.

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, Martin County may sell by private sale to the adjoining owner 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.

(c) The land to be sold is located in Martin County and is described as: PID No. 23.039.1560.

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

Sec. 28. 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 lands 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 descriptions to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

(c) The lands to be sold are located in St. Louis County and are described as:

(1) Lots 1 to 4, Block 4, Atlantic Ave. Addition to Duluth;

(2) Lots 5 to 7, Bay View Addition to Duluth No. 2;

(3) Lots 8 to 11, Bay View Addition to Duluth No. 2;

(4) Lot 12, Block 44, Bay View Addition to Duluth No. 2;

(5) Lots 14 to 16, Duluth Heights 1st Division;

(6) that part of Lot 11 beginning at the southwest corner of said lot; thence northeast along the south line .20 feet; thence left 89 degrees 57 minutes 42 seconds a distance of 140.01 feet to a point on the north line of Lot 11 .12 feet East of the northwest corner; thence southwest to the northwest corner; thence southeast along the west line 140.01 feet to the point of beginning, Duluth Proper 1st Division West Superior Street;

(7) Lots 33 to 39, odd-numbered lots, Block 172, Duluth Proper Third Division;

(8) Lots 34 to 40, even-numbered lots, Block 172, Duluth Proper Third Division;

(9) Lots 49 to 63, odd-numbered lots, including part of vacated 4th Ave W adjacent to Lot 63, Duluth Proper Third Division;

(10) Lots 50 and 52, Duluth Proper Third Division;

(11) Lots 39 to 45, odd-numbered lots, Block 179, Duluth Proper Third Division;

(12) the southeasterly 30 feet of the northwesterly 100 feet, Lots 12 to 16, Soo Ry. Lease No. 7841, Marine Division of Duluth;

(13) the East 12-1/2 feet of the West 37-1/2 feet of Lots 1 and 2, West Duluth 5th Division;

(14) the East 10 feet of the South 63 feet of Lot 11 and the East 12-1/2 feet of the North 37 feet of Lot 11, Block 16, West Park Division of Duluth;

(15) the South 13 feet for st Lot 10, Block 4, Woodland Park 8th Division 1st Rearr Duluth;

(16) the North 13 feet of Lot 3, Block 5, Woodland Park 8th Division 1st Rearr Duluth;

(17) the North 13 feet of Lot 4, Block 5, Woodland Park 8th Division 1st Rearr Duluth;

(18) the South 424 feet of the North 999 feet of that part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter lying West of the old North Shore Road, except the highway right-of-way, 5.97 acres, and except that part lying South of the southerly highway right-of-way, Section 19, Township 51, Range 12, Town of Duluth;

(19) part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 19, Township 51, Range 17, Town of Industrial;

(20) part of Government Lot 3, Section 2, Township 64, Range 18, Beatty Township; and

(21) the South 70 feet of the East 313 feet of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 31, Township 60, Range 17.

(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. PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.

(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 conveyance 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 St. Louis County and are described as:

(1) the westerly 200 feet of Lot 5, Section 31, Township 58, Range 16, Town of Biwabik;

(2) Lots 8, 9, and 10, Section 6, Township 62, Range 15, NE NA Mik Ka Ta Town of Breitung;

(3) Lots 14 to 17, Section 6, Township 62, Range 15, NE NA Mik Ka Ta Town of Breitung;

(4) Lot 242, Section 6, Township 62, Range 15, NE NA Mik Ka Ta Town of Breitung;

(5) Lots 251 to 254, Section 6, Township 62, Range 15, NE NA Mik Ka Ta Town of Breitung; and

(6) Lots 8 to 20, even-numbered lots, Upper Duluth St. Louis Avenue.

(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. 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 conveyance 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 St. Louis County and are described as:

(1) Lots 347 to 355, odd-numbered lots, Lower Duluth Minnesota Avenue;

(2) Lots 22 to 30, even-numbered lots, Lower Duluth St. Louis Avenue;

(3) Lots 44 to 54, even-numbered lots, Lower Duluth St. Louis Avenue;

(4) Lots 58 to 68, even-numbered lots, Lower Duluth St. Louis Avenue;

(5) Lots 78 to 84, even-numbered lots, Lower Duluth St. Louis Avenue;

(6) Lot 86, Lower Duluth St. Louis Avenue;

(7) Lot 88, Lower Duluth St. Louis Avenue;

(8) Lot 132, Lower Duluth St. Louis Avenue;

(9) Lots 206 to 212, even-numbered lots, Lower Duluth St. Louis Avenue;

(10) Lots 324 to 330, even-numbered lots, Lower Duluth St. Louis Avenue;

(11) Lot 5, Section 7, Township 54, Range 16, Town of Cotton; and

(12) an undivided 11/12 interest, Lot 4, Section 29, Township 63, Range 12.

(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. 31. MERGER OF SOUDAN UNDERGROUND MINE STATE PARK, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, INTO LAKE VERMILION STATE PARK, ST. LOUIS COUNTY.

Soudan Underground Mine State Park is merged into Lake Vermilion State Park. The merged park shall be known as Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine State Park.

Sec. 32. SALE OF NONCOMPLIANT TAX-FORFEITED LAND ON MINNESOTA POINT, DULUTH.

Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 282.01, subdivision 7a, tax-forfeited land located on Minnesota Point in Duluth, which cannot be improved because of noncompliance with local ordinances regarding minimum area, shape, frontage, or access, may, at the discretion of the St. Louis County auditor, be offered and sold by the county auditor to any single, specific adjoining or adjacent landowner without notifying or offering to sell to all adjoining or adjacent landowners.

Sec. 33. PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; WADENA COUNTY.

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, Wadena 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 Wadena County and are described as:

- (1) PIN No. 03-025-1040;
- (2) PIN No. 05-023-3020;
- (3) PIN No. 05-024-4010;
- (4) PIN No. 06-003-3100;
- (5) PIN No. 07-001-2030;
- (6) PIN No. 09-007-2030;
- (7) PIN No. 09-007-2040;
- (8) PIN No. 09-013-1030;
- (9) PIN No. 09-013-2010;
- (10) PIN No. 13-002-3030;
- (11) PIN No. 13-011-1010;
- (12) PIN No. 13-011-2010;
- (13) PIN No. 13-011-2020;
- (14) PIN No. 13-012-2020;
- (15) PIN No. 13-119-4010;
- (16) PIN No. 13-127-3010;
- (17) PIN No. 15-012-3060;
- (18) PIN No. 15-012-3070;
- (19) PIN No. 15-012-3080;
- (20) PIN No. 17-440-0290;
- (21) PIN No. 17-440-0300;
- (22) PIN No. 18-300-0010;
- (23) PIN No. 19-440-0070;
- (24) PIN No. 19-440-0090;
- (25) PIN No. 22-480-0390;

(26) PIN No. 02-350-0030;

(27) PIN No. 03-014-1290;

(28) PIN No. 03-024-3020;

(29) PIN No. 08-001-1010;

(30) PIN No. 03-011-1040;

(31) PIN No. 03-011-1050;

(32) PIN No. 03-013-3010;

(33) PIN No. 06-015-1020;

(34) PIN No. 13-121-3010;

(35) PIN No. 13-121-3020;

(36) PIN No. 13-128-2010;

(37) PIN No. 07-016-2020; and

(38) PIN No. 12-024-4020.

(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. 34. PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER;
WADENA COUNTY.**

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, Wadena 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. The land may not be sold until the existing timber contract on the land is fulfilled.

(c) The land to be sold is located in Wadena County and is described as: PIN No. 03-023-1020.

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

**Sec. 35. PUBLIC SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER;
WADENA COUNTY.**

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, Wadena 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). The easements shall serve to provide access to anglers. The easement for land described in paragraph (c), clause (1), shall be 66 feet in width lying north of the centerline of Union Creek. The easements for the lands described in paragraph (c), clauses (2) to (4), shall be 66 feet in width lying south of the centerline of Union Creek.

(c) The lands to be sold are located in Wadena County and are described as:

(1) PIN No. 22-600-0830;

(2) PIN No. 22-770-0010;

(3) PIN No. 22-770-0020; and

(4) PIN No. 22-770-0030.

(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. 36. BRAINERD DAM; CITY OF BRAINERD.

The requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 103G.525, have been met and the city of Brainerd may purchase the Brainerd Dam on the Mississippi River in Crow Wing County.

Sec. 37. REVISOR'S INSTRUCTIONS.

(a) In Minnesota Statutes, the revisor of statutes shall combine the legislative history of Soudan Underground Mine State Park with the legislative history of Lake Vermilion State Park.

(b) In Minnesota Statutes, the revisor of statutes shall renumber section 84.157 as section 94.3435 and make necessary cross-reference changes in Minnesota Statutes and Minnesota Rules consistent with the renumbering.

Sec. 38. REPEALER.

Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 85.012, subdivision 53a, is repealed.

Sec. 39. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 1 to 38 are effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor May 7, 2014

Signed by the governor May 9, 2014, 10:28 a.m.