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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy
- 01/09/2023 Adoption of Report: Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means
- 01/25/2023 Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register as Amended
Read for the Second Time
- 02/02/2023 Calendar for the Day
Read for the Third Time
Passed by the House and transmitted to the Senate
- 02/20/2023 Passed by the Senate and returned to the House
- 02/21/2023 Presented to Governor
Governor Approval

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to state lands; modifying requirements for conveying easements and leasing

1.3 state lands; adding to and deleting from state forests; adding to state parks;

1.4 authorizing sales and conveyances of certain land; amending Minnesota Statutes

1.5 2022, sections 84.63; 84.631; 84.632; 92.502; 282.04, subdivision 1, by adding a

1.6 subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.

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

1.8 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 84.63, is amended to read:

1.9 **84.63 CONVEYING INTERESTS IN LANDS TO STATE, FEDERAL, AND**

1.10 **TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS.**

1.11 (a) Notwithstanding any existing law to the contrary, the commissioner of natural

1.12 resources is hereby authorized on behalf of the state to convey to the United States, to a

1.13 federally recognized Indian Tribe, or to the state of Minnesota or any of its subdivisions,

1.14 upon state-owned lands under the administration of the commissioner of natural resources,

1.15 permanent or temporary easements for specified periods or otherwise for trails, highways,

1.16 roads including limitation of right of access from the lands to adjacent highways and roads,

1.17 flowage for development of fish and game resources, stream protection, flood control, and

1.18 necessary appurtenances thereto, such conveyances to be made upon such terms and

1.19 conditions including provision for reversion in the event of non-user as the commissioner

1.20 of natural resources may determine.

1.21 (b) In addition to the fee for the market value of the easement, the commissioner of

1.22 natural resources shall assess the applicant the following fees:

- 1.23 (1) an application fee of \$2,000 to cover reasonable costs for reviewing the application
- 1.24 and preparing the easement; and

2.1 (2) a monitoring fee to cover the projected reasonable costs for monitoring the
2.2 construction of the improvement for which the easement was conveyed and preparing special
2.3 terms and conditions for the easement. The commissioner must give the applicant an estimate
2.4 of the monitoring fee before the applicant submits the fee.

2.5 (c) The applicant shall pay these fees to the commissioner of natural resources. The
2.6 commissioner shall not issue the easement until the applicant has paid in full the application
2.7 fee, the monitoring fee, and the market value payment for the easement.

2.8 (d) Upon completion of construction of the improvement for which the easement was
2.9 conveyed, the commissioner shall refund the unobligated balance from the monitoring fee
2.10 revenue. The commissioner shall not return the application fee, even if the application is
2.11 withdrawn or denied.

2.12 (e) Money received under paragraph (b) must be deposited in the land management
2.13 account in the natural resources fund and is appropriated to the commissioner of natural
2.14 resources to cover the reasonable costs incurred for issuing and monitoring easements.

2.15 (f) A county or joint county regional railroad authority is exempt from all fees specified
2.16 under this section for trail easements on state-owned land.

2.17 (g) In addition to fees specified in this section, the applicant must reimburse the state
2.18 for costs incurred for cultural resources review, monitoring, or other services provided by
2.19 the Minnesota Historical Society under contract with the commissioner of natural resources
2.20 or the State Historic Preservation Office of the Department of Administration in connection
2.21 with the easement application, preparing the easement terms, or constructing the trail,
2.22 highway, road, or other improvements.

2.23 (h) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) to (g), the commissioner of natural resources may
2.24 elect to assume the application fee under paragraph (b), clause (1), and waive or assume
2.25 some or all of the remaining fees and costs imposed under this section if the commissioner
2.26 determines that issuing the easement will benefit the state's land management interests.

2.27 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 84.631, is amended to read:

2.28 **84.631 ROAD EASEMENTS ACROSS STATE LANDS.**

2.29 (a) Except as provided in section 85.015, subdivision 1b, the commissioner of natural
2.30 resources, on behalf of the state, may convey a road easement across state land under the
2.31 commissioner's jurisdiction to a private person requesting an easement for access to property
2.32 owned by the person only if the following requirements are met:

3.1 (1) there are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the property; and

3.2 (2) the exercise of the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or
3.3 natural resource management impacts.

3.4 (b) The commissioner shall:

3.5 (1) require the applicant to pay the market value of the easement;

3.6 (2) limit the easement term to 50 years if the road easement is across school trust land;

3.7 (3) provide that the easement reverts to the state in the event of nonuse; and

3.8 (4) impose other terms and conditions of use as necessary and appropriate under the
3.9 circumstances.

3.10 (c) An applicant shall submit an application fee of \$2,000 with each application for a
3.11 road easement across state land. The application fee is nonrefundable, even if the application
3.12 is withdrawn or denied.

3.13 (d) In addition to the payment for the market value of the easement and the application
3.14 fee, the commissioner of natural resources shall assess the applicant a monitoring fee to
3.15 cover the projected reasonable costs for monitoring the construction of the road and preparing
3.16 special terms and conditions for the easement. The commissioner must give the applicant
3.17 an estimate of the monitoring fee before the applicant submits the fee. The applicant shall
3.18 pay the application and monitoring fees to the commissioner of natural resources. The
3.19 commissioner shall not issue the easement until the applicant has paid in full the application
3.20 fee, the monitoring fee, and the market value payment for the easement.

3.21 (e) Upon completion of construction of the road, the commissioner shall refund the
3.22 unobligated balance from the monitoring fee revenue.

3.23 (f) Fees collected under paragraphs (c) and (d) must be credited to the land management
3.24 account in the natural resources fund and are appropriated to the commissioner of natural
3.25 resources to cover the reasonable costs incurred under this section.

3.26 (g) In addition to fees specified in this section, the applicant must reimburse the state
3.27 for costs incurred for cultural resources review, monitoring, or other services provided by
3.28 the Minnesota Historical Society under contract with the commissioner of natural resources
3.29 or the State Historic Preservation Office of the Department of Administration in connection
3.30 with the easement application, preparing the easement terms, or constructing the road.

3.31 (h) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) to (g), the commissioner of natural resources may
3.32 elect to assume the application fee under paragraph (c) and waive or assume some or all of

4.1 the remaining fees and costs imposed under this section if the commissioner determines
4.2 that issuing the easement will benefit the state's land management interests.

4.3 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 84.632, is amended to read:

4.4 **84.632 CONVEYANCE OF UNNEEDED STATE EASEMENTS.**

4.5 (a) Notwithstanding section 92.45, the commissioner of natural resources may, in the
4.6 name of the state, release all or part of an easement acquired by the state upon application
4.7 of a landowner whose property is burdened with the easement if the easement is not needed
4.8 for state purposes.

4.9 (b) All or part of an easement may be released by payment of the market value of the
4.10 easement. The release must be in a form approved by the attorney general.

4.11 (c) Money received under paragraph (b) must be credited to the account from which
4.12 money was expended for purchase of the easement. If there is no specific account, the money
4.13 must be credited to the land acquisition account established in section 94.165.

4.14 (d) In addition to payment under paragraph (b), the commissioner of natural resources
4.15 shall assess a landowner who applies for a release under this section an application fee of
4.16 \$2,000 for reviewing the application and preparing the release of easement. The applicant
4.17 shall pay the application fee to the commissioner of natural resources. The commissioner
4.18 shall not issue the release of easement until the applicant has paid the application fee in full.
4.19 The commissioner shall not return the application fee, even if the application is withdrawn
4.20 or denied.

4.21 (e) Money received under paragraph (d) must be credited to the land management account
4.22 in the natural resources fund and is appropriated to the commissioner of natural resources
4.23 to cover the reasonable costs incurred under this section.

4.24 (f) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) to (e), the commissioner of natural resources may
4.25 elect to assume the application fee under paragraph (d) and waive or assume some or all of
4.26 the remaining fees and costs imposed under this section if the commissioner determines
4.27 that issuing the easement release will benefit the state's land management interests.

4.28 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 92.502, is amended to read:

4.29 **92.502 LEASING TAX-FORFEITED AND STATE LANDS.**

4.30 (a) Notwithstanding section 282.04 or other law to the contrary, St. Louis County may
4.31 enter a 30-year lease of tax-forfeited land for a wind energy project.

5.1 (b) The commissioner of natural resources may enter a 30-year lease of land administered
5.2 by the commissioner for a wind energy project.

5.3 (c) The commissioner of natural resources may enter a 30-year lease of land administered
5.4 by the commissioner for recreational trails ~~and~~ or facilities. The commissioner may assess
5.5 the lease applicant a monitoring fee to cover the projected reasonable costs of monitoring
5.6 construction of the recreational trail or facility and preparing special terms and conditions
5.7 of the license to ensure proper construction. The commissioner must give the applicant an
5.8 estimate of the monitoring fee before the applicant is required to submit the fee. Upon
5.9 completion of construction of the trail or facility, the commissioner must refund the
5.10 unobligated balance from the monitoring fee revenue.

5.11 (d) Notwithstanding section 282.04 or other law to the contrary, Lake and St. Louis
5.12 Counties may enter into 30-year leases of tax-forfeited land for recreational trails and
5.13 facilities.

5.14 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 282.04, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

5.15 Subdivision 1. **Timber sales; land leases and uses.** (a) The county auditor, with terms
5.16 and conditions set by the county board, may sell timber upon any tract that may be approved
5.17 by the natural resources commissioner. The sale of timber shall be made for cash at not less
5.18 than the appraised value determined by the county board to the highest bidder after not less
5.19 than one week's published notice in an official paper within the county. Any timber offered
5.20 at the public sale and not sold may thereafter be sold at private sale by the county auditor
5.21 at not less than the appraised value thereof, until the time as the county board may withdraw
5.22 the timber from sale. The appraised value of the timber and the forestry practices to be
5.23 followed in the cutting of said timber shall be approved by the commissioner of natural
5.24 resources.

5.25 (b) Payment of the full sale price of all timber sold on tax-forfeited lands shall be made
5.26 in cash at the time of the timber sale, except in the case of oral or sealed bid auction sales,
5.27 the down payment shall be no less than 15 percent of the appraised value, and the balance
5.28 shall be paid prior to entry. In the case of auction sales that are partitioned and sold as a
5.29 single sale with predetermined cutting blocks, the down payment shall be no less than 15
5.30 percent of the appraised price of the entire timber sale which may be held until the satisfactory
5.31 completion of the sale or applied in whole or in part to the final cutting block. The value of
5.32 each separate block must be paid in full before any cutting may begin in that block. With
5.33 the permission of the county contract administrator the purchaser may enter unpaid blocks
5.34 and cut necessary timber incidental to developing logging roads as may be needed to log

6.1 other blocks provided that no timber may be removed from an unpaid block until separately
6.2 scaled and paid for. If payment is provided as specified in this paragraph as security under
6.3 paragraph (a) and no cutting has taken place on the contract, the county auditor may credit
6.4 the security provided, less any down payment required for an auction sale under this
6.5 paragraph, to any other contract issued to the contract holder by the county under this chapter
6.6 to which the contract holder requests in writing that it be credited, provided the request and
6.7 transfer is made within the same calendar year as the security was received.

6.8 (c) The county board may sell any timber, including biomass, as appraised or scaled.
6.9 Any parcels of land from which timber is to be sold by scale of cut products shall be so
6.10 designated in the published notice of sale under paragraph (a), in which case the notice shall
6.11 contain a description of the parcels, a statement of the estimated quantity of each species
6.12 of timber, and the appraised price of each species of timber for 1,000 feet, per cord or per
6.13 piece, as the case may be. In those cases any bids offered over and above the appraised
6.14 prices shall be by percentage, the percent bid to be added to the appraised price of each of
6.15 the different species of timber advertised on the land. The purchaser of timber from the
6.16 parcels shall pay in cash at the time of sale at the rate bid for all of the timber shown in the
6.17 notice of sale as estimated to be standing on the land, and in addition shall pay at the same
6.18 rate for any additional amounts which the final scale shows to have been cut or was available
6.19 for cutting on the land at the time of sale under the terms of the sale. Where the final scale
6.20 of cut products shows that less timber was cut or was available for cutting under terms of
6.21 the sale than was originally paid for, the excess payment shall be refunded from the forfeited
6.22 tax sale fund upon the claim of the purchaser, to be audited and allowed by the county board
6.23 as in case of other claims against the county. No timber, except hardwood pulpwood, may
6.24 be removed from the parcels of land or other designated landings until scaled by a person
6.25 or persons designated by the county board and approved by the commissioner of natural
6.26 resources. Landings other than the parcel of land from which timber is cut may be designated
6.27 for scaling by the county board by written agreement with the purchaser of the timber. The
6.28 county board may, by written agreement with the purchaser and with a consumer designated
6.29 by the purchaser when the timber is sold by the county auditor, and with the approval of
6.30 the commissioner of natural resources, accept the consumer's scale of cut products delivered
6.31 at the consumer's landing. No timber shall be removed until fully paid for in cash. Small
6.32 amounts of timber not exceeding 500 cords in appraised volume may be sold for not less
6.33 than the full appraised value at private sale to individual persons without first publishing
6.34 notice of sale or calling for bids, provided that in case of a sale involving a total appraised
6.35 value of more than \$200 the sale shall be made subject to final settlement on the basis of a

7.1 scale of cut products in the manner above provided and not more than two of the sales,
7.2 directly or indirectly to any individual shall be in effect at one time.

7.3 (d) As directed by the county board, the county auditor may lease tax-forfeited land to
7.4 individuals, corporations or organized subdivisions of the state at public or private sale, and
7.5 at the prices and under the terms as the county board may prescribe, for use as cottage and
7.6 camp sites and for agricultural purposes and for the purpose of taking and removing of hay,
7.7 stumpage, sand, gravel, clay, rock, marl, and black dirt from the land, and for garden sites
7.8 and other temporary uses provided that no leases shall be for a period to exceed ~~ten~~ 25 years;
7.9 provided, further that any leases involving a consideration of more than ~~\$12,000~~ \$50,000
7.10 per year, except to an organized subdivision of the state shall first be offered at public sale
7.11 in the manner provided herein for sale of timber. Upon the sale of any leased land, it shall
7.12 remain subject to the lease for not to exceed one year from the beginning of the term of the
7.13 lease. Any rent paid by the lessee for the portion of the term cut off by the cancellation shall
7.14 be refunded from the forfeited tax sale fund upon the claim of the lessee, to be audited and
7.15 allowed by the county board as in case of other claims against the county.

7.16 (e) As directed by the county board, the county auditor may lease tax-forfeited land to
7.17 individuals, corporations, or organized subdivisions of the state at public or private sale, at
7.18 the prices and under the terms as the county board may prescribe, for the purpose of taking
7.19 and removing for use for road construction and other purposes tax-forfeited stockpiled
7.20 iron-bearing material. The county auditor must determine that the material is needed and
7.21 suitable for use in the construction or maintenance of a road, tailings basin, settling basin,
7.22 dike, dam, bank fill, or other works on public or private property, and that the use would
7.23 be in the best interests of the public. No lease shall exceed ten years. The use of a stockpile
7.24 for these purposes must first be approved by the commissioner of natural resources. The
7.25 request shall be deemed approved unless the requesting county is notified to the contrary
7.26 by the commissioner of natural resources within six months after receipt of a request for
7.27 approval for use of a stockpile. Once use of a stockpile has been approved, the county may
7.28 continue to lease it for these purposes until approval is withdrawn by the commissioner of
7.29 natural resources.

7.30 (f) The county auditor, with the approval of the county board is authorized to grant
7.31 permits, licenses, and leases to tax-forfeited lands for the depositing of stripping, lean ores,
7.32 tailings, or waste products from mines or ore milling plants, or to use for facilities needed
7.33 to recover iron-bearing oxides from tailings basins or stockpiles, or for a buffer area needed
7.34 for a mining operation, upon the conditions and for the consideration and for the period of

8.1 time, not exceeding 25 years, as the county board may determine. The permits, licenses, or
8.2 leases are subject to approval by the commissioner of natural resources.

8.3 (g) Any person who removes any timber from tax-forfeited land before said timber has
8.4 been scaled and fully paid for as provided in this subdivision is guilty of a misdemeanor.

8.5 (h) The county auditor may, with the approval of the county board, and without first
8.6 offering at public sale, grant leases, for a term not exceeding 25 years, for the removal of
8.7 peat and for the production or removal of farm-grown closed-loop biomass as defined in
8.8 section 216B.2424, subdivision 1, or short-rotation woody crops from tax-forfeited lands
8.9 upon the terms and conditions as the county board may prescribe. Any lease for the removal
8.10 of peat, farm-grown closed-loop biomass, or short-rotation woody crops from tax-forfeited
8.11 lands must first be reviewed and approved by the commissioner of natural resources if the
8.12 lease covers 320 or more acres. No lease for the removal of peat, farm-grown closed-loop
8.13 biomass, or short-rotation woody crops shall be made by the county auditor pursuant to this
8.14 section without first holding a public hearing on the auditor's intention to lease. One printed
8.15 notice in a legal newspaper in the county at least ten days before the hearing, and posted
8.16 notice in the courthouse at least 20 days before the hearing shall be given of the hearing.

8.17 (i) Notwithstanding any provision of paragraph (c) to the contrary, the St. Louis County
8.18 auditor may, at the discretion of the county board, sell timber to the party who bids the
8.19 highest price for all the several kinds of timber, as provided for sales by the commissioner
8.20 of natural resources under section 90.14. Bids offered over and above the appraised price
8.21 need not be applied proportionately to the appraised price of each of the different species
8.22 of timber.

8.23 (j) In lieu of any payment or deposit required in paragraph (b), as directed by the county
8.24 board and under terms set by the county board, the county auditor may accept an irrevocable
8.25 bank letter of credit in the amount equal to the amount otherwise determined in paragraph
8.26 (b). If an irrevocable bank letter of credit is provided under this paragraph, at the written
8.27 request of the purchaser, the county may periodically allow the bank letter of credit to be
8.28 reduced by an amount proportionate to the value of timber that has been harvested and for
8.29 which the county has received payment. The remaining amount of the bank letter of credit
8.30 after a reduction under this paragraph must not be less than 20 percent of the value of the
8.31 timber purchased. If an irrevocable bank letter of credit or cash deposit is provided for the
8.32 down payment required in paragraph (b), and no cutting of timber has taken place on the
8.33 contract for which a letter of credit has been provided, the county may allow the transfer
8.34 of the letter of credit to any other contract issued to the contract holder by the county under
8.35 this chapter to which the contract holder requests in writing that it be credited.

9.1 (k) As directed by the county board, the county auditor may lease tax-forfeited land
9.2 under the terms and conditions prescribed by the county board for the purposes of
9.3 investigating, analyzing, and developing conservation easements that provide ecosystem
9.4 services.

9.5 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 282.04, is amended by adding a subdivision to
9.6 read:

9.7 Subd. 4b. **Conservation easements.** The county auditor, with prior review and
9.8 consultation with the commissioner of natural resources and under the terms and conditions
9.9 prescribed by the county board, including reversion in the event of nonuse, may convey
9.10 conservation easements as defined in section 84C.01 on tax-forfeited land.

9.11 Sec. 7. **[282.41] SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LEASED LANDS; ST. LOUIS**
9.12 **COUNTY.**

9.13 Subdivision 1. **Sale authorized; applicability.** Notwithstanding sections 92.45 and
9.14 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of this chapter, St. Louis County may
9.15 in its sole discretion sell tax-forfeited lakeshore lots that are currently leased. St. Louis
9.16 County may also sell other adjacent tax-forfeited lands under this section that are necessary
9.17 for roadway access and for creating conforming lot sizes. This section applies only to St.
9.18 Louis County.

9.19 Subd. 2. **Method of sale.** (a) The leaseholder of a leased parcel may purchase at private
9.20 sale the leased parcel and any other lands allocated to the parcel by the county under
9.21 subdivision 6 that is offered for sale under this section. The purchase price is the appraised
9.22 value of the land under subdivision 3 exclusive of improvements on it. To purchase a parcel,
9.23 a leaseholder must pay in cash to the county an amount equal to the appraised value of the
9.24 land within 180 days from the date of mailing to or service of notice of appraised value to
9.25 the leaseholder by the county. The 180-day period runs from the date the county mails a
9.26 copy of the appraisal to the leaseholder at the address shown upon the most recent lease
9.27 agreement between the parties, exclusive of the date of mailing or service. The county may
9.28 use any alternative method of notice under the Minnesota Rules of Civil Procedure for the
9.29 service of a summons and complaint.

9.30 (b) If the leaseholder does not purchase the parcel so offered, the county may offer the
9.31 lands for sale at public auction under section 282.01, subdivision 3. If a person other than
9.32 the leaseholder purchases the parcel, the purchaser must make payment in full to the

10.1 leaseholder in the manner provided in section 92.06, subdivision 4, for the value of any
10.2 improvements as determined under subdivision 3.

10.3 (c) Failure of a purchaser to comply with the terms of payment voids the sale, and the
10.4 county may reoffer the property for sale.

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

10.8 (b) The county must select the appraiser. The appraiser selected must meet the minimal
10.9 appraisal standards established by the federal Farmers Home Administration or the federal
10.10 Veterans Administration and must be licensed under section 82B.03, to appraise the property
10.11 to be sold.

10.12 (c) The county must allocate the costs of appraisal to the lots offered for sale, and the
10.13 successful purchaser on each lot must reimburse the county for the appraisal costs allocated
10.14 to the lot purchased. If no one purchases a lot, the county is responsible for the appraisal
10.15 cost.

10.16 (d) If a leaseholder disagrees with the appraised value of the leasehold improvements,
10.17 the leaseholder may select an appraiser that meets the qualifications in paragraph (b) to
10.18 reappraise the improvements. The leaseholder must give notice of intent to object to the
10.19 appraised value of the improvements within ten days of the date of the mailing or service
10.20 of notice under subdivision 2, paragraph (a). The leaseholder must deliver the reappraisal
10.21 to the county auditor within 60 days of the date of mailing or service of notice of appraised
10.22 value under subdivision 2, paragraph (a). If the reappraisal is not delivered to the county
10.23 auditor according to this paragraph, the initial appraisal is conclusive. The leaseholder is
10.24 responsible for the costs of the reappraisal. If the parcel is reappraised within the time
10.25 required in this paragraph and the county and the leaseholder fail to agree on the value of
10.26 the improvements by a date set by the county, each of the appraisers must agree upon the
10.27 selection of a third appraiser to conduct a third appraisal that is conclusive as to the value
10.28 of the improvements. The cost of the third appraisal must be paid equally by the county and
10.29 the leaseholder.

10.30 Subd. 4. **Proceeds.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), the county must deposit the
10.31 proceeds from the sale of land described in subdivision 1 into an environmental trust fund
10.32 as provided in Laws 1998, chapter 389, article 16, section 31, subdivision 4, as amended.

10.33 (b) The following amounts may be withheld by the county board and not deposited into
10.34 an environmental trust fund:

- 11.1 (1) the costs of appraisal, abstracts, and surveys;
11.2 (2) money received from a sale that is attributable to land owned by the county in fee;
11.3 (3) amounts the county paid to lessees for improvements; and
11.4 (4) the costs of sale to lessees or other parties, including the costs of advertising, realtors,
11.5 and closing services.

11.6 Subd. 5. **Survey.** (a) Before offering a lot for sale, St. Louis County must have each lot
11.7 surveyed by a licensed surveyor.

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

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

11.16 Subd. 7. **Roadways.** St. Louis County may designate whether roads within minor
11.17 subdivisions under the county platting and subdivision ordinance are public or private.

11.18 Subd. 8. **Opt out; continuing lease.** The leaseholder may elect not to purchase the leased
11.19 parcel if offered for sale under this section and instead continue in the annual lease program
11.20 with the county, not to exceed the lifetime of the leaseholder. The fee for a lease under this
11.21 subdivision must include the amount of the estimated property tax on the parcel if it had
11.22 been returned to private ownership.

11.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from April 28, 2022.

11.24 Sec. 8. **ADDITION TO STATE PARK.**

11.25 [85.012] [Subd. 27.] **Myre-Big Island State Park, Freeborn County.** The following
11.26 area is added to Myre-Big Island State Park, Freeborn County: all that part of the Northeast
11.27 Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 11, Township 102 North, Range 21 West of the
11.28 5th principal meridian, lying South of the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific Railway,
11.29 and subject to road easement on the easterly side thereof.

12.1 Sec. 9. DELETION FROM STATE FOREST.

12.2 [89.021] [Subd. 13.] Cloquet Valley State Forest. The following areas are deleted from
12.3 Cloquet Valley State Forest:

12.4 (1) those parts of St. Louis County in Township 52 North, Range 16 West, described as
12.5 follows:

12.6 (i) Government Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 and the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter,
12.7 Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, and Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter,
12.8 Section 21;

12.9 (ii) Government Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 and the Northeast Quarter of the
12.10 Northwest Quarter and Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 22;

12.11 (iii) Government Lot 3, Section 23;

12.12 (iv) Government Lot 2, Section 24;

12.13 (v) Government Lots 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, Section 25;

12.14 (vi) Government Lot 1, Section 26;

12.15 (vii) Government Lots 2 and 7, Section 26;

12.16 (viii) Government Lots 3 and 4, Section 27, reserving unto grantor and grantor's
12.17 successors and assigns a 66-foot-wide access road easement across said Government Lot 3
12.18 for the purpose of access to grantor's or grantor's successor's or assign's land and grantor's
12.19 presently owned land that may be sold, assigned, or transferred in Government Lot 1, Section
12.20 27, said access road being measured 33 feet from each side of the centerline of that road
12.21 that is presently existing at various widths and running in a generally
12.22 southwesterly-northeasterly direction;

12.23 (ix) Government Lots 1 and 2, Section 28;

12.24 (x) Government Lots 1, 2, 3, and 5 and the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter
12.25 and Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 29;

12.26 (xi) Government Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, Section 31, reserving unto grantor and grantor's
12.27 successors and assigns a 66-foot-wide access road easement across said Government Lots
12.28 1, 2, and 3 for the purpose of access to grantor's or grantor's successor's or assign's land and
12.29 grantor's presently owned lands that may be sold, assigned, or transferred in Government
12.30 Lot 4, Section 29, said access road being measured 33 feet from each side of the centerline
12.31 of that road that is presently existing at various widths and running in a generally East-West

13.1 direction and any future extensions thereof as may be reasonably necessary to provide the
13.2 access contemplated herein;

13.3 (xii) Government Lots 5, 7, 8, and 9, Section 31;

13.4 (xiii) Government Lots 1 and 2, an undivided two-thirds interest in the Northeast Quarter
13.5 of the Northwest Quarter, an undivided two-thirds interest in the Southeast Quarter of the
13.6 Northwest Quarter, and an undivided two-thirds interest in the Southwest Quarter of the
13.7 Northwest Quarter, Section 32, reserving unto grantor and grantor's successors and assigns
13.8 an access road easement across the West 66 feet of the North 66 feet of said Government
13.9 Lot 1 for the purpose of access to grantor's or grantor's successor's or assign's land and
13.10 grantor's presently owned land that may be sold, assigned, or transferred in Government
13.11 Lot 4, Section 29; and

13.12 (xiv) the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 35;

13.13 (2) those parts of St. Louis County in Township 53 North, Range 13 West, described as
13.14 follows:

13.15 (i) all that part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter lying North and West
13.16 of the Little Cloquet River, Section 4;

13.17 (ii) Government Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 and the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter,
13.18 Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter,
13.19 Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter,
13.20 Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, and Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter,
13.21 Section 5;

13.22 (iii) Government Lots 1, 2, and 4 and the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter,
13.23 Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter,
13.24 Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, and Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter,
13.25 Section 6;

13.26 (iv) Government Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 and the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast
13.27 Quarter, Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Northwest Quarter of the Northwest
13.28 Quarter, Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Southwest Quarter of the Northwest
13.29 Quarter, Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, and Northeast Quarter of the Southwest
13.30 Quarter, Section 7;

13.31 (v) Government Lots 1 and 2 and the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter,
13.32 Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter,
13.33 Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter,

- 14.1 Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, and Southwest Quarter of the Southwest
14.2 Quarter, Section 8; and
- 14.3 (vi) the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Northwest Quarter of the Northwest
14.4 Quarter, Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, and Southwest Quarter of the Northwest
14.5 Quarter, Section 17;
- 14.6 (3) those parts of St. Louis County in Township 54 North, Range 13 West, described as
14.7 follows:
- 14.8 (i) Government Lots 1, 4, 5, 6, and 7, Section 20;
- 14.9 (ii) Government Lots 3, 4, 6, 7, and 8 and the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter,
14.10 Section 21;
- 14.11 (iii) Government Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7, Section 29;
- 14.12 (iv) Government Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, and 10, Section 30; and
- 14.13 (v) Government Lots 5, 6, and 7 and the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter,
14.14 Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter,
14.15 Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, and Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter,
14.16 Section 31;
- 14.17 (4) those parts of St. Louis County in Township 54 North, Range 16 West, described as
14.18 follows:
- 14.19 (i) Government Lots 2, 3, and 4 and the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter,
14.20 Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter,
14.21 and Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 1;
- 14.22 (ii) Government Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, and 8 and the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast
14.23 Quarter, Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Southwest Quarter of the Southeast
14.24 Quarter, Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Southeast Quarter of the Southwest
14.25 Quarter, and Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 2;
- 14.26 (iii) all that part of Government Lot 9 lying South of the Whiteface River and West of
14.27 County Road 547, also known as Comstock Lake Road, Section 3; and
- 14.28 (iv) Government Lots 3 and 4 and the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and
14.29 Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 10;
- 14.30 (5) those parts of St. Louis County in Township 55 North, Range 15 West, described as
14.31 follows:

- 15.1 (i) Government Lots 1 and 2, Section 11;
- 15.2 (ii) Government Lot 9, except the Highway 4 right-of-way, Section 11;
- 15.3 (iii) Government Lot 10, except the Highway 4 right-of-way, Section 11;
- 15.4 (iv) Government Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, Section 15;
- 15.5 (v) Government Lots 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8 and the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest
15.6 Quarter, Section 21;
- 15.7 (vi) the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, reserving unto grantor and grantor's
15.8 successors and assigns a 66-foot-wide access easement across said Southwest Quarter of
15.9 the Northeast Quarter for the purpose of access to grantor's or grantor's successor's or assign's
15.10 land and grantor's presently owned land that may be sold, assigned, or transferred in
15.11 Government Lot 4, Section 21, Township 55 North, Range 15 West, said access road being
15.12 measured 33 feet on each side of the centerline of that road that is presently existing and
15.13 known as the Whiteface Truck Trail, Section 21;
- 15.14 (vii) Government Lots 1, 2, and 3, Section 22;
- 15.15 (viii) Government Lots 1 and 2 and the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter,
15.16 Section 28;
- 15.17 (ix) Government Lots 1, 4, 6, 8, and 9 and the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter,
15.18 Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, and Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter,
15.19 Section 29;
- 15.20 (x) Government Lots 3 and 4 and the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter,
15.21 Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, and Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter,
15.22 Section 30;
- 15.23 (xi) Government Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, and 11 and the Northeast Quarter of the
15.24 Southwest Quarter, Section 31; and
- 15.25 (xii) Government Lot 1, Section 32; and
- 15.26 (6) those parts of St. Louis County in Township 55 North, Range 16 West, described as
15.27 follows:
- 15.28 (i) the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, reserving unto grantor and grantor's
15.29 successors and assigns a 66-foot-wide access road easement across said Southwest Quarter
15.30 of the Southeast Quarter for the purpose of access to grantor's or grantor's successor's or
15.31 assign's land and grantor's presently owned land that may be sold, assigned, or transferred
15.32 in Government Lot 5, Section 1, Township 54 North, Range 16 West, Section 35; and

16.1 (ii) the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, reserving unto grantor and grantor's
16.2 successors and assigns a 66-foot-wide access road easement across said Southeast Quarter
16.3 of the Southeast Quarter for the purpose of access to grantor's or grantor's successor's or
16.4 assign's land and grantor's presently owned land that may be sold, assigned, or transferred
16.5 in Government Lot 5, Section 1, Township 54 North, Range 16 West, Section 35.

16.6 Sec. 10. **ADDITION TO STATE FOREST.**

16.7 **[89.021] [Subd. 42a.] Riverlands State Forest.** Those parts of St. Louis County
16.8 described as follows are added to Riverlands State Forest:

16.9 (1) the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 16, Township 50 North,
16.10 Range 17 West;

16.11 (2) Government Lot 9, Section 26, Township 50 North, Range 17 West;

16.12 (3) the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 30, Township 51 North,
16.13 Range 19 West;

16.14 (4) Government Lot 6, Section 22, Township 51 North, Range 20 West; and

16.15 (5) Government Lot 9, Section 24, Township 52 North, Range 20 West.

16.16 Sec. 11. **PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND; BELTRAMI COUNTY.**

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

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

16.22 (c) The land to be sold is part of parcel number 45.00258.00 described as: that part of
16.23 Government Lot 3, Section 31, Township 148 North, Range 31 West, Beltrami County,
16.24 Minnesota, described as follows:

16.25 Commencing at the southwest corner of said Section 31; thence North 89 degrees 46
16.26 minutes 25 seconds East, bearing based on the Beltrami County Coordinate System,
16.27 South Zone, along the south line of said Section 31, a distance of 960.47 feet; thence
16.28 North 01 degrees 00 minutes 40 seconds West a distance of 2,116.07 feet to the point
16.29 of beginning of land to be described, said point designated by an iron pipe, 1/2 inch in
16.30 diameter, stamped LS 15483; thence continue North 01 degree 00 minutes 40 seconds
16.31 West a distance of 108.00 feet to a point designated by an iron pipe, 1/2 inch in diameter,

17.1 stamped LS 15483; thence North 88 degrees 59 minutes 20 seconds East a distance of
17.2 60.00 feet to the intersection with the east line of said Government Lot 3; thence South
17.3 01 degree 00 minutes 40 seconds East, along said east line of Government Lot 3, a
17.4 distance of 108.00 feet to the intersection with a line bearing North 88 degrees 59 minutes
17.5 20 seconds East from the point of beginning; thence South 88 degrees 59 seconds 20
17.6 minutes West, along said line, a distance of 60.00 feet to the point of beginning (0.15
17.7 acre).

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

17.10 **Sec. 12. PUBLIC SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**
17.11 **WATER; CASS COUNTY.**

17.12 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 92.45, the commissioner of natural
17.13 resources may sell by public sale the surplus land bordering public water that is described
17.14 in paragraph (c).

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

17.17 (c) The land that may be sold is located in Cass County and is described as:

17.18 (1) the West 970 feet of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 32,
17.19 Township 135 North, Range 29 West, Cass County, Minnesota, EXCEPT therefrom a
17.20 rectangular piece in the southeast corner thereof 370 feet North and South by 420 feet East
17.21 and West; and

17.22 (2) that part of Government Lot 6 of said Section 32, described as follows: beginning
17.23 at the northwest corner of said Government Lot 6; thence East along the north line of said
17.24 Government Lot 6 550 feet; thence South 30 degrees West 528 feet, more or less, to shoreline
17.25 of Agate Lake; thence northwest along said shoreline of Agate Lake to the west line of said
17.26 Government Lot 6; thence northerly along said west line 260 feet, more or less, to the point
17.27 of beginning.

17.28 (d) The land borders Agate Lake and is not contiguous to other state lands. The
17.29 Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed for natural
17.30 resource purposes and that the state's land management interests would best be served if
17.31 the land was returned to private ownership.

18.1 **Sec. 13. PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS LAND; CROW WING COUNTY.**

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

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

18.6 (c) The land that may be conveyed is located in Crow Wing County and is described as:
18.7 that part of Government Lot 2, Section 11, Township 44, Range 28, Crow Wing County,
18.8 Minnesota, described as follows: Commencing at the southeast corner of said Government
18.9 Lot 2; thence South 89 degrees 08 minutes 05 seconds West, assumed bearing along the
18.10 south line of said Government Lot 2 a distance of 203.73 feet to the westerly right-of-way
18.11 of State Highway No. 18; thence North 24 degrees 13 minutes 27 seconds West, along said
18.12 westerly right-of-way 692.40 feet, to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 24
18.13 degrees 13 minutes 27 seconds West along said westerly right-of-way 70.31 feet; thence
18.14 North 89 degrees 25 minutes 27 seconds West 90.00 feet; thence South 11 degrees 16
18.15 minutes 29 seconds East 87.00 feet; thence North 78 degrees 43 minutes 31 seconds East
18.16 103.84 feet to the point of beginning. Said parcel contains 0.17 acres of land, more or less,
18.17 and is subject to existing easements of record.

18.18 (d) The Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed for
18.19 natural resource purposes and that the state's land management interests would best be
18.20 served if the land were returned to private ownership.

18.21 **Sec. 14. PUBLIC SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**
18.22 **WATER; FILLMORE COUNTY.**

18.23 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 92.45, the commissioner of natural
18.24 resources may sell by public sale the surplus land bordering public water that is described
18.25 in paragraph (c), subject to the state's reservation of trout stream and access easements.

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

18.28 (c) The land that may be sold is located in Fillmore County and is described as: the South
18.29 13 acres, except the East 2 acres thereof, of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter,
18.30 Section 21, Township 103, Range 10 West, Fillmore County, Minnesota, excepting therefrom
18.31 the Harmony-Preston Valley State Trail corridor, formerly the Chicago, Milwaukee, St.
18.32 Paul and Pacific Railroad Company right-of-way.

19.1 (d) The land borders the Root River and Watson Creek and is not contiguous to other
19.2 state lands. The Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed
19.3 for natural resource purposes, provided that trout stream and access easements are reserved
19.4 on the Root River and Watson Creek, and that the state's land management interests would
19.5 best be served if the land was returned to private ownership.

19.6 Sec. 15. **CONVEYANCE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**
19.7 **WATER; GOODHUE COUNTY.**

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

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

19.16 (c) The land to be conveyed is located in Goodhue County and is described as: That part
19.17 of the Southeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 110 North, Range 16 West, Goodhue
19.18 County, Minnesota, described as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of Lot 7,
19.19 Block 2, Axelson's Hillcrest Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof; thence South
19.20 89 degrees 48 minutes 15 seconds East (assuming that the east line of Axelson's Hillcrest
19.21 Addition also being the west line of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 30, has a bearing
19.22 of North 00 degrees 11 minutes 45 seconds East), a distance of 30.00 feet; thence North 00
19.23 degrees 11 minutes 45 seconds East, a distance of 342.00 feet to the point of beginning;
19.24 thence South 89 degrees 48 minutes 15 seconds East, a distance of 60.00 feet; thence North
19.25 00 degrees 11 minutes 45 seconds East, a distance of 280.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees
19.26 48 minutes 15 seconds East, a distance of 60.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 11 minutes
19.27 45 seconds East, a distance of 394 feet, more or less to the north line of the Southeast Quarter
19.28 of said Section 30; thence westerly, along said north line, a distance of 150.00 feet, more
19.29 or less, to the northwest corner of said Southeast Quarter; thence South 00 degrees 11
19.30 minutes 45 seconds West, along the west line of said Southeast Quarter, a distance of 674
19.31 feet, more or less, to an intersection with a line bearing North 89 degrees 48 minutes 15
19.32 seconds West from said point of beginning; thence South 89 degrees 48 minutes 15 seconds
19.33 East, a distance of 30.00 feet to the point of beginning. EXCEPT that part of the above
19.34 description now platted as Emerald Valley (parcel number 70.380.0710).

20.1 (d) The county has determined that the land is needed for a park trail extension.

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

20.3 Sec. 16. **PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER;**
20.4 **HENNEPIN COUNTY.**

20.5 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45, 94.09, and 94.10, the
20.6 commissioner of natural resources may sell by private sale the surplus land bordering public
20.7 water that is described in paragraph (c) to a local unit of government for less than market
20.8 value.

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

20.11 (c) The land that may be conveyed is located in Hennepin County and is described as:
20.12 all those parts of Government Lot 5, Section 35, Township 118, Range 23, lying northerly
20.13 and northwesterly of East Long Lake Road, as it existed in 2021, easterly of a line drawn
20.14 parallel with and distant 924.88 feet westerly of the east line of said Government Lot 5, and
20.15 southerly of a line drawn westerly at a right angle to the east line of said Government Lot
20.16 5 from a point distant 620 feet South of the northeast corner of said Government Lot 5.

20.17 (d) The land borders Long Lake. The Department of Natural Resources has determined
20.18 that the land is not needed for natural resource purposes and that the state's land management
20.19 interests would best be served if the land were conveyed to a local unit of government.

20.20 Sec. 17. **PUBLIC SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**
20.21 **WATER; ITASCA COUNTY.**

20.22 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 92.45, the commissioner of natural
20.23 resources may sell by public sale the surplus land bordering public water that is described
20.24 in paragraph (c).

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

20.27 (c) The land that may be sold is located in Itasca County and is described as:

20.28 (1) the North 1,050.00 feet of Government Lot 1, Section 16, Township 55 North, Range
20.29 24 West of the fourth principal meridian, except that part described as follows: commencing
20.30 at the southeast corner of said Government Lot 1; thence North 0 degrees 46 minutes 09
20.31 seconds East, bearing assumed, along the east line thereof, a distance of 280.00 feet to the

21.1 point of beginning; thence North 89 degrees 13 minutes 51 seconds West, a distance of
21.2 345.00 feet; thence South 0 degrees 46 minutes 09 seconds West, a distance of 21.60 feet
21.3 to its intersection with the south line of the North 1,050.00 feet of said Government Lot 1;
21.4 thence South 89 degrees 08 minutes 51 seconds East along the south line of the North
21.5 1,050.00 feet of said Government Lot 1, a distance of 345.00 feet to the east line of said
21.6 Government Lot 1; thence North 0 degrees 46 minutes 09 seconds East, along the east line
21.7 of said Government Lot 1, a distance of 22.10 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to an
21.8 easement for ingress and egress over 66.00 feet in width, over, under, and across part of
21.9 Government Lot 1, Section 16, Township 55, Range 24. The centerline of said easement is
21.10 described as follows: commencing at the northeast corner of said Government Lot 1; thence
21.11 South 0 degrees 46 minutes 09 seconds West, bearing assumed, along the east line thereof,
21.12 a distance of 750.00 feet to the point of beginning of the centerline to be described; thence
21.13 North 89 degrees 08 minutes 51 seconds West, a distance of 845.00 feet; thence South 7
21.14 degrees 18 minutes 51 seconds East, a distance of 302.89 feet, and there terminating; and

21.15 (2) Lots 1 through 4 of Block 2 and Outlot "B," Loons Landing, according to the plat
21.16 thereof on file and of record in the Office of the Itasca County Recorder.

21.17 (d) The land borders Trout Lake. The Department of Natural Resources has determined
21.18 that the land is not needed for natural resource purposes and that the state's land management
21.19 interests would best be served if the land was returned to private ownership.

21.20 **Sec. 18. PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND; PINE COUNTY.**

21.21 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 94.09 and 94.10, the commissioner of
21.22 natural resources may sell by private sale the surplus land that is described in paragraph (c),
21.23 subject to the state's reservation of a perpetual flowage easement.

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

21.26 (c) The land that may be sold is located in Pine County and is described as: the north 2
21.27 rods of the Southeast Quarter of Section 10, Township 38 North, Range 22 West, Pine
21.28 County, Minnesota.

21.29 (d) The Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed for
21.30 natural resource purposes and that the state's land management interests would best be
21.31 served if the land was returned to private ownership.

22.1 **Sec. 19. LAND EXCHANGE; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

22.2 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 92.461, and the riparian restrictions in
22.3 Minnesota Statutes, section 94.342, subdivision 3, St. Louis County may, with the approval
22.4 of the Land Exchange Board as required under the Minnesota Constitution, article XI,
22.5 section 10, and according to the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, sections 94.342
22.6 to 94.347, exchange the land described in paragraph (c).

22.7 (b) The conveyance must be in the form approved by the attorney general. The attorney
22.8 general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure
22.9 accuracy.

22.10 (c) The lands that may be conveyed are located in St. Louis County and are described
22.11 as:

22.12 (1) Sections 1 and 2, Township 53 North, Range 18 West;

22.13 (2) Sections 19, 20, 29, 30, 31, and 32, Township 54 North, Range 17 West;

22.14 (3) Sections 24, 25, 26, and 35, Township 54 North, Range 18 West;

22.15 (4) Sections 22, 23, 26, and 27, Township 54 North, Range 19 West; and

22.16 (5) Sections 8, 9, 17, and 18, Township 55 North, Range 18 West.

22.17 **Sec. 20. LAND ACQUISITION TRUST FUND; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

22.18 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, and any other law relating to the
22.19 apportionment of proceeds from the sale of tax-forfeited land, St. Louis County may deposit
22.20 proceeds from the sale of tax-forfeited lands into a tax-forfeited land acquisition trust fund
22.21 established by St. Louis County under this section. The principal and interest from the fund
22.22 may be spent on the purchase of lands better suited for retention and management by St.
22.23 Louis County. Lands purchased with money from the land acquisition trust fund must:

22.24 (1) become subject to a trust in favor of the governmental subdivision wherein the lands
22.25 lie and all laws related to tax-forfeited lands; and

22.26 (2) be used for forestry, mineral management, or environmental services.

22.27 **Sec. 21. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LANDS; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

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

23.1 (b) The conveyances must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney
23.2 general may make changes to the land descriptions to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

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

23.4 (1) Lots 23 through 30, including part of adjacent vacant alley, Block 54, Bay View
23.5 Addition to Duluth No. 2, Township 49, Range 15, Section 11 (parcel identification number
23.6 010-0230-03300); and

23.7 (2) Lot 2, except the South 760 feet, Township 62, Range 20, Section 18 (part of parcel
23.8 identification number 430-0010-02916).

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

23.11 **Sec. 22. PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER;**
23.12 **SHERBURNE COUNTY.**

23.13 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45, 94.09, and 94.10, the
23.14 commissioner of natural resources may sell by private sale the surplus land bordering public
23.15 water that is described in paragraph (c) for less than market value.

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

23.18 (c) The land that may be conveyed is located in Sherburne County and is described as:
23.19 that part of the North 595.50 feet of Government Lot 6, Section 31, Township 34 North,
23.20 Range 27 West, Sherburne County, Minnesota, lying southerly of the following described
23.21 line: commencing at a Minnesota Department of Conservation monument on the south line
23.22 of the said North 595.50 feet; thence North 89 degrees 38 minutes 17 seconds West, bearing
23.23 per plat of Eagle Lake Estates Boundary Registration, along said south line 71.28 feet to a
23.24 Judicial Land Mark; thence North 21 degrees 51 minutes 43 seconds West, along the easterly
23.25 line of Outlot A of said Eagle Lake Estates Boundary Registration 27.5 feet to the point of
23.26 beginning; thence North 80 degrees East 72 feet, more or less, to the shoreline of Eagle
23.27 Lake and there terminating.

23.28 (d) The Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed for
23.29 natural resource purposes and that the state's land management interests would best be
23.30 served if the land were returned to private ownership.

24.1 Sec. 23. **AUTHORIZATION OF ADJUTANT GENERAL TO EXCHANGE**
24.2 **SURPLUS PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY OF ROSEMOUNT.**

24.3 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 94.3495 and 193.36, the adjutant
24.4 general of the Minnesota National Guard may, with the approval of the Land Exchange
24.5 Board as required under the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 10, exchange the
24.6 surplus land described in paragraph (b) for an equal amount of land owned by the city of
24.7 Rosemount, regardless of a difference in market value.

24.8 (b) The land to be exchanged is within the city of Rosemount adjacent to a Minnesota
24.9 National Guard field maintenance shop.