

SENATE  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
EIGHTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

S.F. No. 2116

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A bill for an act  
relating to state lands; authorizing public and private sales of certain tax-forfeited  
land in St. Louis County.  
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. **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 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 easement required under paragraph (c), clause (9), shall be memorialized  
on the certificate of title according to Minnesota Statutes, section 508.49, upon filing of  
the instrument that creates the easement.

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

(1) all of Government Lot 1, Section 26, Township 51 North, Range 13 West,  
lying South of the Duluth and Iron Range Railway, except the East 1,184.75 feet (parcel  
010-2690-00520);

(2) the West 135 feet of the East 1,184.75 feet of that part of Government Lot 1,  
Section 26, Township 51 North, Range 13 West, South of the Duluth and Iron Range  
Railway (parcel 010-2690-00521);

(3) the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 18, Township 58 North,  
Range 20 West (parcel 235-0010-03050);

(4) the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 34, Township 59 North, Range 20 West (parcel 235-0030-05460);

(5) Government Lot 4, Section 11, Township 58 North, Range 16 West, except the railway right-of-way 5.55 acres and except that part West of County State-Aid Highway 4 (parcel 260-0012-00150);

(6) Government Lot 5, Section 11, Township 58 North, Range 16 West (parcel 260-0012-00160);

(7) the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 22, Township 57 North, Range 18 West, except the North 250 feet of the East 600 feet and except the highway right-of-way (parcel 295-0016-00120);

(8) Lot 7, Block 1, Reinkes Shore Lots, town of Cotton, Section 20, Township 54 North, Range 16 West (parcel 305-0043-00070);

(9) the West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 27, Township 52 North, Range 12 West (parcel 315-0020-04395). Prior to sale of this land, the commissioner of revenue shall grant an easement according to Minnesota Statutes, section 282.37, to provide riparian protection and angler access. The easement must be 150 feet in width, lying 75 feet on each side of the centerline of the river;

(10) Outlot 4, Rearrangement Eagles Nest, Section 22, Township 62 North, Range 14 West (parcel 317-0081-00100);

(11) an undivided half interest in Government Lot 2, Section 33, Township 55 North, Range 16 West (parcel 320-0010-05400);

(12) an undivided half interest in Government Lot 2, Section 33, Township 55 North, Range 16 West (parcel 320-0010-05401);

(13) Government Lot 2, Section 6, Township 55 North, Range 17 West, except the 1.34 acres at the southwest corner (parcel 320-0020-00830);

(14) the North Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 17, Township 62 North, Range 12 West (parcel 465-0010-02420);

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

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

(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. 2. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

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

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

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

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

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

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