

## S.F. No. 3704 – DNR Lands Bill (1<sup>st</sup> Engrossment)

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**Sections 1 through 3 [DNR Waiver or Assumption of Easement Fees]** allows the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to assume or waive various fees incurred by applicants for easements on DNR-administered land when DNR determines that an easement will benefit the state's land management interests.

**Section 4 [Lease of DNR Recreational Facilities]** clarifies that DNR may lease recreational facilities for a term of 30 years even where the lease is not associated with a recreational trail.

**Section 5 [Lease of Tax-Forfeited Land Changes]** raises from 10 to 25 the maximum lease term of a county lease of tax-forfeited lands. Raises from \$12,000 to \$50,000 the threshold annual lease value that triggers an obligation to first offer the land at public sale. Authorizes a county to lease tax-forfeited land for the purpose of developing conservation easements that provide ecosystem services.

**Section 6 [Conveyance of Conservation Easements on Tax-Forfeited Land]** authorizes a county, after consultation with the DNR to convey conservation easements on tax-forfeited land.

**Section 7 [Addition to State Park]** adds 11.50 acres to the boundary of Myre-Big Island State Park, Freeborn County.

**Section 8 [Deletion from State Forest]** removes 7,482 acres from Cloquet Valley State Forest (St. Louis County) and designates them as part of the Riverlands State Forest (St. Louis County).

**Section 9 [Addition to State Forest]** adds 121.5 acres to Riverlands State Forest (St. Louis County).

**Section 10 [Public Sale of Surplus Riparian Land; Cass County]** authorizes public sale of 29.6 acres of surplus riparian state land in Cass County.

**Section 11 [Public Sale of Surplus Riparian Land; Fillmore County]** authorizes public sale of 9.53 acres of surplus riparian land in Fillmore County.

**Section 12 [Conveyance of Tax-Forfeited Land; Goodhue County]** authorizes the conveyance of tax-forfeited riparian land by Goodhue County to the city of Wanamingo for no consideration.

**Section 13 [Private Sale of Surplus Riparian Land; Hennepin County]** authorizes the private sale of 0.55 acres of surplus riparian land in Hennepin County to a local unit of government for less than fair market value.

**Section 14 [Public Sale of Surplus Riparian Land; Itasca County]** authorizes public sale of 59 acres of surplus riparian land in Itasca County.

**Section 15 [Conveyance of Surplus Riparian Land; Lake County]** authorizes the conveyance of 4 parcels of surplus riparian land to the city of Two Harbors for no consideration.

**Section 16 [Private Sale of Surplus State Land; Pine County]** authorizes private sale of 2.0 acres of surplus state land in Pine County.

**Section 17 [Exchange of Certain Riparian Land in St. Louis County]** authorizes St. Louis County to exchange certain riparian land in St. Louis County.

**Section 18 [Land Acquisition Trust Fund; St. Louis County]** allows St. Louis County to deposit the proceeds of tax-forfeited land sales into a tax-forfeited land acquisition trust fund and to spend that money to purchase lands for forestry, mineral management, or environmental services purposes.

**Section 19 [Private Sale of Tax-Forfeited Lands; St. Louis County]** authorizes the private sale by St. Louis County of certain tax-forfeited land to address issues that have arisen as a result of previous incorrect surveys.

**Section 20 [Private Sale of Surplus Riparian Land; Sherburne County]** authorizes private sale of .05 acres of surplus riparian land in Sherburne County for less than fair market value.

**Section 21 [Repeal of Sunset]** repeals the sunset on St. Louis County authority to sell certain leased lakeshore lots.