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H. F. No. 3508

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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
- 03/18/2024 Adoption of Report: Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means
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Read for the Second Time
- 04/15/2024 Calendar for the Day  
Read for the Third Time  
Passed by the House and transmitted to the Senate

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to state lands; modifying fee provisions for certain state land transfers;

1.3 adding land to state parks; authorizing sales and conveyances of certain state lands;

1.4 deauthorizing Upper Sioux Agency State Park; appropriating money; amending

1.5 Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 85.015, subdivision 1b; 94.343, subdivision 8a;

1.6 94.3495, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections

1.7 85.012, subdivisions 27b, 58; 138.662, subdivision 33.

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

1.9 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 85.015, subdivision 1b, is amended to read:

1.10 Subd. 1b. **Easements for ingress and egress.** (a) Notwithstanding section 16A.695,

1.11 except as provided in paragraph (b), when a trail is established under this section, a private

1.12 property owner who has a preexisting right of ingress and egress over the trail right-of-way

1.13 is granted, without charge, a permanent easement for ingress and egress purposes only. The

1.14 easement is limited to the preexisting crossing and reverts to the state upon abandonment.

1.15 Nothing in this subdivision is intended to diminish or alter any written or recorded easement

1.16 that existed before the state acquired the land for the trail.

1.17 (b) The commissioner of natural resources shall assess the applicant an application fee

1.18 of \$2,000 for reviewing the application and preparing the easement. The applicant shall pay

1.19 the application fee to the commissioner of natural resources. The commissioner shall not

1.20 issue the easement until the applicant has paid the application fee in full. The commissioner

1.21 shall not return the application fee, even if the application is withdrawn or denied.

1.22 (c) Money received under paragraph (b) must be credited to the land management account

1.23 in the natural resources fund and is appropriated to the commissioner of natural resources

1.24 to cover the reasonable costs incurred under this section.

2.1 (d) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) to (c), the commissioner of natural resources may  
2.2 elect to assume the application fee under paragraph (b) if the commissioner determines that  
2.3 issuing the easement will benefit the state's land management interests.

2.4 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 94.343, subdivision 8a, is amended to read:

2.5 Subd. 8a. **Fees.** (a) When a private landowner or governmental unit, except the state,  
2.6 presents to the commissioner an offer to exchange privately or publicly held land for class  
2.7 A land, the private landowner or governmental unit shall pay to the commissioner a  
2.8 ~~determination of value fee and survey fee of not less than one-half of the cost of the~~  
2.9 ~~determination of value and survey fees as determined by the commissioner.~~ fees of not less  
2.10 than one-half of the costs incurred by the commissioner for valuation expenses; survey  
2.11 expenses; legal and professional fees; costs of title work, advertising, and public hearings;  
2.12 transactional staff costs; and closing costs.

2.13 (b) Except as provided in paragraph (c), any payment made under paragraph (a) shall  
2.14 be credited to the account from which the expenses are paid and is appropriated for  
2.15 expenditure in the same manner as other money in the account.

2.16 (c) The fees shall be refunded if the land exchange offer is withdrawn by a private  
2.17 landowner or governmental unit before the money is obligated to be spent.

2.18 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 94.3495, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
2.19 read:

2.20 Subd. 9. Fees. (a) When a governmental unit presents to the commissioner an offer to  
2.21 exchange publicly held land under this section, the governmental unit must pay to the  
2.22 commissioner fees of not less than one-half of the costs incurred by the commissioner for  
2.23 valuation expenses; survey expenses; legal and professional fees; costs of title work,  
2.24 advertising, and public hearings; transactional staff costs; and closing costs.

2.25 (b) Except as provided in paragraph (c), any payment made under paragraph (a) must  
2.26 be credited to the account from which the expenses are paid and is appropriated to the  
2.27 commissioner for expenditure in the same manner as other money in the account.

2.28 (c) The fees must be refunded if the land exchange offer is withdrawn by the  
2.29 governmental unit before the money is obligated to be spent.

3.1 Sec. 4. **ADDITIONS TO STATE PARKS.**

3.2 **Subdivision 1. [85.012] [Subd. 2.] Banning State Park, Pine County.** The following  
3.3 area is added to Banning State Park: the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of  
3.4 Section 22, Township 42 North, Range 20 West, Pine County, Minnesota.

3.5 **Subd. 2. [85.012] [Subd. 15.] Father Hennepin State Park, Mille Lacs County.** The  
3.6 following areas are added to Father Hennepin State Park, all in Mille Lacs County,  
3.7 Minnesota:

3.8 (1) the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 3, Township 42, Range  
3.9 25;

3.10 (2) the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 4, Township 42, Range  
3.11 25; and

3.12 (3) the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 4, Township 42, Range  
3.13 25.

3.14 **Subd. 3. [85.012] [Subd. 36.] Lake Louise State Park, Mower County.** Those parts  
3.15 of Section 20, Township 101 North, Range 14 West, Mower County, Minnesota, described  
3.16 as follows are added to Lake Louise State Park:

3.17 (1) the West Half of the South Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter;

3.18 (2) the West 3/4ths of the North Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter  
3.19 EXCEPT that portion that lies north and east of the county road; and

3.20 (3) the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter EXCEPT  
3.21 the south 334.98 feet of the west 411.24 feet thereof.

3.22 Sec. 5. **STATE PARK ABOLISHMENT.**

3.23 **Subdivision 1. [85.012] [Subd. 27b.] Hill-Annex Mine State Park, Itasca**  
3.24 **County.** Hill-Annex Mine State Park is abolished.

3.25 **Subd. 2. [85.012] [Subd. 58.] Upper Sioux Agency State Park, Yellow Medicine**  
3.26 **County.** Upper Sioux Agency State Park is abolished and its lands transferred according  
3.27 to Laws 2023, chapter 60, article 4, section 97.

4.1 Sec. 6. **PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND; AITKIN COUNTY.**

4.2 (a) Notwithstanding the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, or  
4.3 other law to the contrary, Aitkin County may sell by private sale the tax-forfeited lands  
4.4 described in paragraph (c).

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

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

4.8 (1) Quadna Mountain Vacation Club First Addition, Outlot A, Section 26, Township 52  
4.9 North, Range 26 West, Aitkin County, Minnesota (parcel identification number  
4.10 57-1-088400);

4.11 (2) Quadna Mountain Vacation Club First Addition, Outlot B, Section 26, Township 52  
4.12 North, Range 26 West, Aitkin County, Minnesota (parcel identification number  
4.13 57-1-088500); and

4.14 (3) Lot 3 of "Knox's Irregular Lots in the Village of Aitkin," except the portion thereof  
4.15 described as follows: all that part of Lot 3 which lies East of a line beginning at a point on  
4.16 the north line of said Lot 3 a distance of 79 feet East of the northwest corner of said lot and  
4.17 running southeasterly to a point on the south line of said Lot 3 a distance of 56 feet East of  
4.18 the southwest corner of said lot; and except the portion thereof described as follows:  
4.19 beginning at a point on the north line of Lot 4 of said plat a distance easterly 60.75 feet from  
4.20 the northwest corner of said Lot 4; thence running southeasterly to a point on the south line  
4.21 of said Lot 4 which is 56 feet easterly of the southwest corner of said Lot 4; thence continuing  
4.22 easterly along said south line a distance of 56 feet to the southeast corner of said Lot 4;  
4.23 thence northwesterly to a point on the north line of said Lot 3 which is 16 feet easterly of  
4.24 the northwest corner of said Lot 3; thence westerly along the north line of said Lots 3 and  
4.25 4 to place of beginning. Section 25, Township 47 North, Range 27 West, Aitkin County,  
4.26 Minnesota (0.28 acres)(parcel number 56-1-118100).

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

4.29 Sec. 7. **PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**  
4.30 **WATERS; AITKIN COUNTY.**

4.31 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, and  
4.32 the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, Aitkin County may sell by

5.1 private sale the tax-forfeited land bordering public waters described in paragraph (c) under  
5.2 the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.

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

5.5 (c) The land to be sold is located in Aitkin County and is described as: that part of  
5.6 Government Lot 1, Section 19, Township 46, Range 25, Aitkin County, Minnesota, described  
5.7 as follows: commencing at the southwest corner of said Government Lot 1; thence North  
5.8 85 degrees 14 minutes 46 seconds East, assumed bearing, 1,000.00 feet along the south line  
5.9 of said Government Lot 1 to the point of beginning of the tract to be described; thence  
5.10 continuing North 85 degrees 14 minutes 46 seconds East 50.79 feet to an iron monument;  
5.11 thence North 19 degrees 46 minutes 21 seconds West 459.76 feet, more or less, to the shore  
5.12 of Rabbit Lake; thence southwesterly along said shore to its intersection with a line bearing  
5.13 North 20 degrees 00 minutes 16 seconds West from the point of beginning; thence South  
5.14 20 degrees 00 minutes 16 seconds East 433 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.  
5.15 Together with and subject to the 33.00-foot-wide easement described in the deed to Kendle  
5.16 recorded as Document Number 193583 on file in the office of the county recorder in and  
5.17 for said county. Also subject to any other easements, reservations, or restrictions of record  
5.18 (0.52 acres)(parcel number 09-0-031708).

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

5.21 **Sec. 8. PUBLIC SALE OF SURPLUS LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER;**  
5.22 **CHISAGO COUNTY.**

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

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

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

5.29 All that part of Government Lot 1, Section 23, and all that part of Government Lot 1,  
5.30 Section 24, Township 33 North, Range 21 West of the 4th Principal Meridian bounded by  
5.31 the following described lines: commencing at the northeast corner of said Section 23; thence  
5.32 South 00 degrees 00 minutes West, 1,831.3 feet on and along the east line of said Section  
5.33 23 to the point of beginning; thence South 38 degrees 27 minutes East, 70.0 feet; thence

6.1 South 11 degrees 58 minutes West, 330.0 feet; thence South 76 degrees 59 minutes West,  
6.2 286.9 feet; thence South 45 degrees 33 minutes West, 167.4 feet; thence North 73 degrees  
6.3 20 minutes West, 231.8 feet; thence North 59 degrees 33 minutes West, 420.7 feet; thence  
6.4 North 30 degrees 17 minutes East, 327.6 feet; thence North 64 degrees 19 minutes East,  
6.5 360.4 feet; thence South 87 degrees 03 minutes East, 197.8 feet; thence South 65 degrees  
6.6 09 minutes East, 354.3 feet and to the point of beginning. Including all riparian rights to  
6.7 the contained 11.5 acres, more or less, and subject to all existing road easements. Together  
6.8 with that particular channel easement as described in Document #119723, on file and of  
6.9 record in the Office of the Recorder, Chisago County, Minnesota, with said easement being  
6.10 stated in said document as a perpetual easement to construct and maintain a channel over  
6.11 and across the area described in Document #119723 as a strip of land 75 feet wide in  
6.12 Government Lot 1 of Section 24, Township 33 North, Range 21 West of the 4th Principal  
6.13 Meridian, bounded by the water's edge of Green Lake and the following described lines:  
6.14 commencing at the northwest corner of said Section 24; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes  
6.15 West, 1,831.3 feet on and along the west line of said section; thence South 38 degrees 27  
6.16 minutes East, 70.0 feet; thence South 11 degrees 58 minutes West, 58.9 feet to a point on  
6.17 the centerline of said strip of land and the point of beginning; thence South 11 degrees 58  
6.18 minutes West, 40.4 feet; thence North 80 degrees 00 minutes East, 290 feet, more or less,  
6.19 to the water's edge of said Green Lake and there terminating. And also from the point of  
6.20 beginning; thence North 11 degrees 58 minutes East, 40.4 feet; thence North 80 degrees 00  
6.21 minutes East, 220 feet, more or less, to the water's edge of said Green Lake and there  
6.22 terminating.

6.23 ALSO

6.24 Together with that particular access easement as described in Document #119723, on  
6.25 file and of record in the Office of the Recorder, Chisago County, Minnesota, with said  
6.26 easement being stated in said document as a perpetual road easement to construct and  
6.27 maintain a 33-foot-wide road for ingress and egress over and across the following described  
6.28 lands: that part of Government Lot 1 of Section 23, Township 33 North, Range 21 West of  
6.29 the 4th Principal Meridian, bounded by the following described lines: commencing at the  
6.30 northeast corner of said Section 23; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes West, 1,831.3 feet  
6.31 on and along the east line of said section; thence South 38 degrees 27 minutes East, 70.0  
6.32 feet; thence South 11 degrees 58 minutes West, 330.0 feet; thence South 76 degrees 59  
6.33 minutes West, 223.6 feet to a point on the southerly boundary of the above described lands  
6.34 being conveyed in fee and the point of beginning; thence South 76 degrees 59 minutes West,  
6.35 63.3 feet on and along said southerly boundary; thence South 45 degrees 33 minutes West,

7.1 167.4 feet on and along said southerly boundary; thence North 72 degrees 57 minutes West,  
7.2 666.8 feet to a point on the southeasterly right-of-way line of U.S. Highway No. 8; thence  
7.3 South 38 degrees 09 minutes West, 35.4 feet on and along said right-of-way line; thence  
7.4 South 72 degrees 57 minutes East, 679.7 feet; thence South 73 degrees 20 minutes East,  
7.5 251.3 feet; thence North 45 degrees 33 minutes West, 240.9 feet to the point of beginning.

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

7.10 **Sec. 9. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**  
7.11 **WATER; CROW WING COUNTY.**

7.12 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, and  
7.13 the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, Crow Wing County may sell  
7.14 by private sale the tax-forfeited land bordering public water that is described in paragraph  
7.15 (c) under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.

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

7.18 (c) The land to be sold is located in Crow Wing County and is described as: the South  
7.19 150.00 feet of the East 770.00 feet EXCEPT that part of the public waters of Gilbert Lake  
7.20 in the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 28, Township 134 North, Range  
7.21 28 West, Crow Wing County, Minnesota (part of parcel identification number 99280619).

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

7.24 **Sec. 10. CONVEYANCE OF SURPLUS LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER;**  
7.25 **HUBBARD COUNTY.**

7.26 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45, 94.09, and 94.10, the  
7.27 commissioner of natural resources may convey the surplus land bordering public water that  
7.28 is described in paragraph (c) to a local unit of government for no consideration, subject to  
7.29 the state's reservation of a trail easement.

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

7.32 (c) The land that may be conveyed is located in Hubbard County and is described as:

8.1 A strip of land 150 feet in width extending over and across the Southwest Quarter of  
8.2 the Southwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 140 North, Range 35 West of the Fifth  
8.3 Principal Meridian, Hubbard County, Minnesota, said strip of land lying being 75 feet in  
8.4 width on each side of the centerline of the main track (now removed) of the former St. Paul,  
8.5 Minneapolis and Manitoba Railway Company (now BNI), as originally located and  
8.6 established over and across said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 24  
8.7 and lying between the north line of the Fish Hook River and the north line of said Southwest  
8.8 Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 24, LESS and EXCEPT the following described  
8.9 tract: that part of the South Half of the Southwest Quarter, Section 24, Township 140 North,  
8.10 Range 35 West, Hubbard County, Minnesota, described as follows: commencing at a found  
8.11 iron monument which designates the northwesterly corner of Lot 1, Block 4, AUDITOR'S  
8.12 PLAT No. 2, plat of which is on file and of record in the Office of the County Recorder,  
8.13 Hubbard County; thence on a bearing based on the Hubbard County Coordinate System  
8.14 (NAD83, 1996 Adjustment) of South 32 degrees 45 minutes 05 seconds East, along the  
8.15 southwesterly line of said Lot 1, a distance of 177.13 feet to the southwesterly corner of  
8.16 said Lot 1; thence South 48 degrees 30 minutes 52 seconds West, a distance of 71.23 feet  
8.17 to an iron monument on the southwesterly line of Mill Road; thence North 32 degrees 32  
8.18 minutes 42 seconds West, along the southwesterly line of Mill Road, a distance of 85.20  
8.19 feet to an iron monument; thence North 22 degrees 10 minutes 58 seconds West along said  
8.20 southwesterly line of Mill Road, a distance of 85.84 feet to an iron monument; thence North  
8.21 81 degrees 01 minutes 23 seconds West, a distance of 127.05 feet to the intersection with  
8.22 the easterly right-of-way line of the Heartland State Trail (former Burlington Northern  
8.23 Railroad) and an iron monument and the point of beginning of the land to be herein described;  
8.24 thence continue North 81 degrees 01 minutes 23 seconds West, a distance 37.00 feet; thence  
8.25 South 09 degrees 06 minutes 28 seconds West, a distance of 44.69 feet; thence South 13  
8.26 degrees 37 minutes 49 seconds East, a distance of 95.72 feet to an iron monument and the  
8.27 intersection with said easterly right-of-way line; thence North 09 degrees 06 minutes 28  
8.28 seconds East, along said easterly right-of-way line, a distance of 133.06 feet, more or less,  
8.29 to the point of beginning. Said strip of land containing 2.52 acres, more or less.

8.30 (d) The land borders the Fish Hook River. The Department of Natural Resources has  
8.31 determined that the land is not needed for natural resource purposes and that the state's land  
8.32 management interests would best be served if the land was conveyed to a local unit of  
8.33 government.

9.1 Sec. 11. **PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER;**  
9.2 **HUBBARD COUNTY.**

9.3 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45, 94.09, and 94.10, the  
9.4 commissioner of natural resources may sell by private sale the surplus land bordering public  
9.5 water that is described in paragraph (c).

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

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

9.9 (1) a strip of land 50 feet in width extending over and across the Southwest Quarter of  
9.10 the Southwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 140 North, Range 35 West of the Fifth  
9.11 Principal Meridian, Hubbard County, Minnesota, said strip of land lying South of the south  
9.12 line of the Fish Hook River, on the westerly side of the centerline of the main track (now  
9.13 removed) of the former Wadena and Park Rapids Railway Company (now BNI), as originally  
9.14 located and established over and across said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter  
9.15 of Section 24; said strip of land containing 0.14 acres, more or less; and

9.16 (2) a strip of land 50 feet in width extending over and across the Southwest Quarter of  
9.17 the Southwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 140 North, Range 35 West of the Fifth  
9.18 Principal Meridian, Hubbard County, Minnesota, said strip of land lying South of the south  
9.19 line of the Fish Hook River, on the easterly side of the centerline of the main track (now  
9.20 removed) of the former Wadena and Park Rapids Railway Company (now BNI), as originally  
9.21 located and established over and across said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter  
9.22 of Section 24, said strip of land containing 0.16 acres, more or less.

9.23 (d) The land borders the Fish Hook River. The Department of Natural Resources has  
9.24 determined that the land is not needed for natural resource purposes and that the state's land  
9.25 management interests would best be served if the land was returned to private ownership.

9.26 Sec. 12. **CONVEYANCE OF SURPLUS LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER;**  
9.27 **REDWOOD COUNTY.**

9.28 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45, 94.09, and 94.10, the  
9.29 commissioner of natural resources may convey the surplus land bordering public water that  
9.30 is described in paragraph (c) to a federally recognized Indian Tribe for no consideration.

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

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

10.2 (1) Government Lot 2 of Section 4, Township 112 North, Range 34 West; and

10.3 (2) Government Lot 6 of Section 9, Township 112 North, Range 34 West, excepting  
10.4 therefrom: commencing at the southwest corner of United States Government Lot 6 in said  
10.5 Section 9, running thence North on a division line, between Lots 6 and 7, 1,482.5 feet;  
10.6 thence East and parallel with the south line of said Lot 6 about 872 feet to the Minnesota  
10.7 River; thence down the Minnesota River to a point due North of the southeast corner of said  
10.8 Lot 6; thence South 500 feet to the southeast corner of said Lot 6; thence West along the  
10.9 south line of said Lot 6 to the place of beginning, said exception containing 40 acres, more  
10.10 or less, and being a part of said Lot 6.

10.11 (d) The land borders the Minnesota River and is not contiguous to other state lands. The  
10.12 Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed for natural  
10.13 resource purposes and that the state's land management interests would best be served if  
10.14 the land was returned to Tribal ownership.

10.15 **Sec. 13. PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS LAND; ROSEAU COUNTY.**

10.16 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 94.09 and 94.10, the commissioner of  
10.17 natural resources may sell by private sale the surplus land that is described in paragraph (c)  
10.18 to a watershed district.

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

10.21 (c) The land that may be sold is located in Roseau County and is described as: All that  
10.22 part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 23, Township 163 North,  
10.23 Range 41 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Roseau County, Minnesota, described as  
10.24 follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter  
10.25 of said Section 23; thence on a bearing based on the Roseau County Coordinate System  
10.26 (NAD83, 1996 Adjustment) of South 89 degrees 49 minutes 33 seconds East, along the  
10.27 north line of said Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, a distance of 1,319.93 feet to  
10.28 the northeast corner of said Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, said northeast corner  
10.29 also being a point on the northwesterly right-of-way line of the exterior ditch of the northwest  
10.30 embankment of the Roseau Lake rehabilitation project; thence South 52 degrees 53 minutes  
10.31 46 seconds West, along said northwesterly right-of-way line, a distance of 1,651.76 feet,  
10.32 more or less, to the west line of said Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter; thence

11.1 North 00 degrees 08 minutes 50 seconds West, along said west line, a distance of 1,000.46  
11.2 feet to the point of beginning. Said parcel contains 15.1 acres, more or less.

11.3 (d) The Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed for  
11.4 natural resource purposes and that the state's land management interests would best be  
11.5 served if the land were conveyed to a watershed district.

11.6 **Sec. 14. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LANDS; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

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

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

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

11.13 (1) the East 4.97 feet of Lot 1, Block 19, Gilbert, Township 58, Range 17, Section 23  
11.14 (parcel number 060-0010-04190);

11.15 (2) beginning at a point 170 feet West of the northeast corner of said forty; thence West  
11.16 a distance of 170 feet to a point; thence South a distance of 256.5 feet to a point; thence  
11.17 continuing a parallel line East a distance of 170 feet to a point; thence continuing a parallel  
11.18 line North a distance of 256.5 feet to the point of beginning and being in the Northwest  
11.19 Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, containing approximately 1 acre of land, Township 57,  
11.20 Range 21, Section 21 (part of parcel number 141-0050-03594);

11.21 (3) the North Half and the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and the West  
11.22 Half of the Southeast Quarter, Township 52, Range 13, Section 23 (part of parcel number  
11.23 485-0010-03610);

11.24 (4) all of Section 5, except the South Half of the Northeast Quarter and except the  
11.25 Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and except the railway right-of-way, .94 acres,  
11.26 Township 53, Range 15, Section 5 (part of parcel number 660-0010-00660); and

11.27 (5) that part lying within the East Half of Lot 1 lying South of St. Louis County Road  
11.28 23 described as follows: commencing at the northwest corner of Section 19, Township 65,  
11.29 Range 21; thence East along the section line 661.2 feet; thence at right angles South 285  
11.30 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 315 feet; thence at right angle East 250 feet;  
11.31 thence at right angle North 315 feet; thence West to the point of beginning, except that part  
11.32 of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter described as follows: commencing at

12.1 the northwest corner; thence North 89 degrees 38 minutes 14 seconds East along the north  
12.2 line 661.2 feet; thence South 0 degrees 21 minutes 46 seconds East 456.90 feet; thence  
12.3 North 89 degrees 38 minutes 14 seconds East 19.82 feet to the easterly right-of-way of  
12.4 Westley Drive and the point of beginning; thence South 3 degrees 59 minutes 44 seconds  
12.5 West along said easterly right-of-way 76.03 feet; thence North 89 degrees 38 minutes 14  
12.6 seconds East 207.13 feet; thence North 0 degrees 21 minutes 46 seconds West 162.42 feet;  
12.7 thence North 57 degrees 40 minutes 44 seconds West 210.75 feet to the intersection of said  
12.8 easterly right-of-way; thence South 19 degrees 7 minutes 59 seconds West along said easterly  
12.9 right-of-way 33.23 feet; thence South 3 degrees 59 minutes 44 seconds West along said  
12.10 easterly right-of-way 30.28 feet; thence North 89 degrees 38 minutes 14 seconds East 33.58  
12.11 feet; thence South 31 degrees 11 minutes 36 seconds East 112.47 feet; thence South 67  
12.12 degrees 3 minutes 53 seconds West 110.25 feet to said easterly right-of-way and the point  
12.13 of beginning, Township 65, Range 21, Section 19 (parcel number 760-0040-00533).

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

12.16 **Sec. 15. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LANDS BORDERING PUBLIC**  
12.17 **WATERS; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

12.18 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, and  
12.19 the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, St. Louis County may sell by  
12.20 private sale the tax-forfeited lands bordering public waters that are described in paragraph  
12.21 (c).

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

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

12.25 (1) Lot 101, Echo Point, Town of Breitung, Township 62, Range 15, Section 19 (parcel  
12.26 number 270-0070-01010);

12.27 (2) the Northeast Quarter, except the Southwest Quarter, and the Southeast Quarter,  
12.28 except the Northwest Quarter, Township 54, Range 16, Section 22 (part of parcel number  
12.29 305-0010-03530); and

12.30 (3) Government Lots 6 and 7, except that part of Government Lot 6 lying North of the  
12.31 quarter line of Section 32, Township 69, Range 19 (part of parcel number 732-0010-04150).

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

13.1 Sec. 16. **REPEALER.**

13.2 Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 85.012, subdivisions 27b and 58; and 138.662,  
13.3 subdivision 33, are repealed.

13.4 Sec. 17. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

13.5 This act is effective the day following final enactment.

APPENDIX  
Repealed Minnesota Statutes: H3508-2

**85.012 STATE PARKS.**

Subd. 27b. Hill-Annex Mine State Park, Itasca County.

Subd. 58. Upper Sioux Agency State Park, Yellow Medicine County.

**138.662 HISTORIC SITES.**

Subd. 33. **Upper Sioux Agency.** Upper Sioux Agency; Yellow Medicine County.