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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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to state lands; requiring conveyance of certain state lands to Red Lake
1.3 Band of Chippewa Indians; requiring a report; appropriating money.

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

1.5 Section 1. UPPER RED LAKE AND RED LAKE STATE FOREST LAND
1.6 TRANSFER.

1.7 (a) The commissioner of natural resources must convey to the Red Lake Band of
1.8 Chippewa Indians for no consideration all state-owned land and real property that the
1.9 commissioner administers within one mile from the lakeshore of the portion of Upper Red
1.10 Lake that is in state ownership.

1.11 (b) The commissioner of natural resources must convey to the Red Lake Band of
1.12 Chippewa Indians for no consideration all state-owned land and real property within the
1.13 boundaries of the Red Lake State Forest.

1.14 (c) The commissioner of natural resources must identify any funding restrictions or other
1.15 legal barriers to conveying land and real property according to paragraphs (a) and (b). By
1.16 January 15, 2025, the commissioner must submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority
1.17 members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over environment and natural
1.18 resources that specifies all identified barriers and gives recommendations for addressing
1.19 those barriers, including any recommended legislation to eliminate the barriers.

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

2.1 Sec. 2. APPROPRIATION; LAND CONVEYANCE.

2.2 \$20,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 is appropriated to the commissioner of natural resources
2.3 for conveying state-owned land and real property according to section 1. Money from this
2.4 appropriation may be used to acquire any land necessary to facilitate the required conveyance.
2.5 This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2034.