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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill increases from \$1 to \$5 per capita, the amount Beltrami County can spend on tourism and industrial development of proceeds of timber sales from tax forfeited lands.

#### Section

- 1** **Tourist, Agricultural, and Industrial Development.** Authorizes Beltrami County to spend up to \$5 per capita on these purposes out of the proceeds of the rental and product sales (e.g., timber sales) from tax forfeited lands. This special law was enacted for Beltrami County in 1967. The table shows the history of the changes in the dollar limit for this spending.

Year of legislation	Per capita Amount
1967	\$.25
1979	.50
1985	1.00
Proposed 2003	5.00

**Effective date:** Upon local approval by the county board

**Background information.** The table below details the allocation of these moneys under general law. Minn. Stat. § 282.08(4) (2002). (Note: Itasca and St. Louis Counties have special laws similar to this law for Beltrami County. The legislature has increased the permitted amount to \$5 for both of those counties.)

#### Allocation of Proceeds Under General Law

**Section**

<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Share</b>
Timber development on tax forfeited land and memorial forests	up to 30%
County parks and recreational areas	up to 20%
Residual	
County	40%
City or town	20%
School district	40%