

Subject DNR Lands Bill

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Overview

This bill contains a number of provisions being recommended by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) that pertain to the administration of state lands.

Summary

Section	Description
1	<p>Establishing boundary lines relating to certain state land holdings.</p> <p>Requires the DNR to publish a notice of conveyance of state lands to resolve boundary line issues in the State Register at least 30 days before the conveyance. Current law requires the notice to be made between 15 and 30 days before the conveyance.</p>
2	<p>Land valuation required.</p> <p>Requires the DNR to have certain state lands offered for sale appraised prior to offering them if their estimated market value exceeds \$100,000. Current law requires this when the estimated market value exceeds \$50,000.</p>
3	<p>Removed via amendment.</p>
4	<p>Notice to agencies; determination of surplus.</p> <p>Modifies a requirement that the DNR send written notice of surplus lands to all state departments, agencies, and the University of Minnesota by requiring the notice be sent only to certain agencies and other departments/agencies that request to be notified and expanding the requirement to include Minnesota State Colleges and Universities and the Indian Affairs Council.</p>
5	<p>Surveys, appraisals, and sale.</p> <p>Requires the DNR to have surplus state lands offered for sale appraised prior to offering them if their estimated market value exceeds \$100,000. Current law requires this when the estimated market value exceeds \$50,000. Requires the DNR to notify a federally recognized Indian tribe that they have the option to purchase surplus state lands within the boundary of the tribe's reservation before offering the lands to local governments or offering them through a public sale. The tribe must submit an offer to the DNR within two</p>

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	weeks of receiving the notice and must purchase the lands within two years of an offer being accepted.
6	Addition to state park. Adds land to the statutory boundaries of Glendalough State Park.
7	Deletion from state park. Removes land from the statutory boundaries of St. Croix State Park.
8 to 14	Private/public sales of surplus state land bordering public water. Allows the DNR to sell certain state lands bordering public water in Carlton, Cass, Hubbard, Kanabec, Otter Tail, Wabasha, and Yellow Medicine Counties.



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