

Subject School Trust Lands Director

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Overview

This bill modifies a number of provisions impacting the school trust lands director. The school trust lands director position was established in 2012 to provide recommendations for managing school trust lands.

Summary

Section	Description
1	<p>Qualifications.</p> <p>Restricts the governor from removing the school trust lands director to only when there is neglect of fiduciary duty, malfeasance, gross negligence, or incapacitation (under current law the governor may remove the director for “cause”).</p>
2	<p>Duties; powers.</p> <p>Modifies the duties and powers of the school trust lands director, including requiring the director to act in a fiduciary capacity for school trust land beneficiaries, modifying the oath the director must take, and removing the cap on the number of employees that the director may employ.</p>
3	<p>Administration.</p> <p>Modifies a previous appropriation for the school trust lands director to allow the use of the money to complete a 25-year framework for managing school trust lands and extending the availability of the funds (the funding is currently to be used to initiate real estate development projects and is to expire June 30, 2019).</p>
4	<p>Administration.</p> <p>Modifies a previous appropriation for the school trust lands director for work to sell lands within the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCA) to allow for an alternative approach including a nonprofit and allow the funds to be used for an environmental assessment. Also extends the availability of the funds (set to expire June 30, 2019).</p>



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