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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill is mainly a technical and administrative type to clarify and allow easier exchange of DNR-owned land with other public and private lands.

#### Section

- 1** Allows the commissioner of natural resources, when acquiring land from a nonprofit organization or governmental entity, to waive provisions of the existing "landowner's bill of rights" law when mutually agreed by the parties.
- 2** Authorizes the commissioner to enter into a right of first refusal agreement up to two years to determine the value of a parcel of land, with any payment not to exceed \$5,000.
- 4-9** Clarifies when lands of lesser or greater value may be exchanged.
- 10** Allows, except for school trust land, class A land to be exchanged for lesser value land, if the other party agrees to pay the difference in value.
- 11** States that the DNR, not the Land Exchange Board, holds the hearing and provides public notice before any final approval of a DNR land exchange.
- 13** Requires the fee to the landowner exchanging land with the DNR to not less than one-half of the determination of value fee and survey fee.
- 16-18** Authorizes exchanges of county-administered land for DNR managed land, except school trust land, or for U.S. owned land of greater value, if the county agrees to pay the difference in value.
- 23** Repeals existing sections of land exchange law in chapter 94 that become outdated with the changes in this bill.