Please remove Article 4, Section 1 from bill HF28. This creates a new issue of confusion over the duties and role of the DNR Commissioner. Thousands of hours and resources were wasted because of an interpretation the DNR made regarding its authority to rename Lake Calhoun to Bde Maka Ska. The same issues are set up in this section of the bill. The definitions of "land interests" and "conveyance" is not clearly defined nor are they defined in application “conveyance” in other sections of Chapter 84. No reason is given by the DNR for this new need. Unless there is a defined reason with a defined limitation and execution, this is not a need to have under a land bill. Rather it should be addressed separately in a bill focused only on DNR Commissioner duties or State agencies permissions regarding sovereign nations.

Article 2 section 28 is not ready for prime time. The paragraphs contradict who/how a pass can be used. A permit, daily or yearly, as proposed can only be displayed in a vehicle owned by the tribal member who received the permit. The idea of a permit given to a tribal member who doesn't own a car is then mute (paragraph c). Not only does this law discriminate against Indigenous people who are not part of a federally recognized tribe because of Minnesota’s use of tribal law, the bill as written requires vehicle ownership. Please don't put a bill like this on the books. It does nothing to encourage one Minnesota that is already being tested.

Thank you,
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