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Overview

This bill contains a number of provisions related to state lands being recommended by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and provisions authorizing certain counties to sell or convey tax-forfeited lands.

Section

- 1** **Leases and permits.** Amends § 89.17. Allows the DNR to require a security deposit or other form of security from lessees of state forest lands to cover the costs of removing any improvements or personal property left on the land.
- 2** **Security requirement.** Amends § 92.50, subd. 3. Allows the DNR to require a security deposit or other form of security from lessees of state lands (school, swamp, university, and other lands granted to the state by acts of Congress) to cover the costs of removing any improvements or personal property left on the land.
- 3** **Lease of tax-forfeited and state lands.** Amends § 92.502. Allows the DNR and the counties of Lake and St. Louis to enter into 30-year leases when leasing lands (DNR lands or the counties' tax-forfeited lands) for recreational trails and facilities.
- 4** **Public sale requirements.** Amends § 94.10, subd. 2. Allows the DNR to conduct sales of surplus state-owned land through online auctions.
- 5** **Welch; Goodhue County.** Adds § 103F.35. Allows unincorporated lands in Welch in Goodhue County to have mixed uses under a conditional permit if all other requirements of the county's scenic river ordinance are met.

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- 6** **Conveyance of tax-forfeited land; city of Pillager.** Amends a law from 2015 to add a parcel of land to the list of lands Cass County was authorized to give to the city of Pillager.
- 7** **Township road.** Amends a law from last session pertaining to the Sand Dunes State Forest regarding a road easement, to require the DNR to convey the easement to the township at no cost.
- 8** **Additions to state parks.** Adds area to the statutory boundaries of Frontenac State Park, Minneopa State Park, and St. Croix State Park.
- 9** **Deletions from state parks.** Deletes area from the statutory boundaries of St. Croix State Park.
- 10** **Additions to state forests.** Adds area to the statutory boundaries of Badoura State Forest and Snake River State Forest.
- 11 to 18** **Sale or conveyance of lands.** Authorizes the public and private sales and conveyance of certain state and tax-forfeited lands and requires the DNR to grant a road easement to a township in Otter Tail County.
- 19** **Repealer.** Repeals a law from 2008 that deleted area from Jay Cooke State Park upon the DNR entering into an agreement transferring the land for use as a veterans cemetery.
- 20** **Effective date.** States that sections 1 to 19 are effective the day following final enactment.