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**Senate Bill 283 (as passed by the Senate)****Sponsor: Senator John M. Engler****Committee: State Affairs, Tourism, and Transportation****Date Completed: 6-26-87*****RATIONALE***

Central Michigan University (CMU) annually hosts the Michigan Special Olympics and houses the Olympics' participants. In the past, accommodations for the participants have been provided in various campus facilities, and the university would like to develop centralized facilities to be used specifically for the Special Olympics program. The Department of Transportation (DOT) owns a parcel of land adjacent to the CMU campus that contains a structure formerly used as a maintenance garage. The DOT has constructed a new garage facility and has little or no use for the former facility. The university would like to convert the building into housing units for the Special Olympics program.

***CONTENT***

Senate Bill 283 would authorize the Department of Transportation (DOT) to convey a parcel of State-owned land in the city of Mt. Pleasant to Central Michigan University (CMU) for \$1. The property currently is the location of a DOT maintenance garage, and is adjacent to the CMU campus.

The conveyance would have to be by deed approved by the Attorney General. All rights to coal, oil, gas, and other minerals found on, within, or under the property would be reserved by the State. Revenue received from the conveyance would be deposited in the State Treasury and credited to the Transportation Fund.

The conveyance would have to specify that the land could be used only for public purposes. Upon termination of that use or upon any other use, title to the land immediately would revert to the State without liability for improvements made by CMU.

(Note: Enrolled House Bill 4024 (S-1) would authorize the same property conveyance as would Senate Bill 283.)

***FISCAL IMPACT***

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

***ARGUMENTS******Supporting Argument***

The DOT has no further use for the land or the structure in question, and the conveyance of the property would fulfill CMU's need for adequate housing for Special Olympics participants.

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