

HOUSE BILL No. 5269

October 18, 1995, Introduced by Rep. Randall and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend section 1903 of Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, entitled

"Natural resources and environmental protection act," as added by Act No. 60 of the Public Acts of 1995, being section 324.1903 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Section 1. Section 1903 of Act No. 451 of the Public Acts
- 2 of 1994, as added by Act No. 60 of the Public Acts of 1995, being
- 3 section 324.1903 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 Sec. 1903. (1) Subject to the limitations of this part and
- 6 of section 35 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963,
- 7 the interest and earnings of the trust fund in any 1 state fiscal
- 8 year may SHALL be expended in subsequent state fiscal years
- 9 only for the following purposes:

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- 1 (a) The acquisition of land or rights in land for
- 2 recreational uses or protection of the land because of its envi-
- 3 ronmental importance or its scenic beauty.
- 4 (b) The development of public recreation facilities.
- 5 (c) The administration of the fund, including payments in
- 6 lieu of taxes on state owned land purchased through the trust
- 7 fund. FOR LAND PURCHASED THROUGH THE TRUST FUND AFTER THE 1995
- 8 AMENDMENTS TO THIS SECTION, THESE PAYMENTS SHALL BE EQUAL TO THE
- 9 AMOUNT OF THE GENERAL AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX THAT WOULD BE PAID
- 10 IF THE LAND WAS HELD IN PRIVATE OWNERSHIP UNDER THE GENERAL PROP-
- 11 ERTY TAX ACT, ACT NO. 206 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1893, BEING SEC-
- 12 TIONS 211.1 TO 211.157 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, INCLUDING
- 13 ANY SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS THAT ARE LAWFULLY IMPOSED UPON THE LAND.
- (2) In addition to the money described in subsection (1),
- 15 33-1/3% of the money, exclusive of interest and earnings,
- 16 received by the trust fund in any state fiscal year may be
- 17 expended in subsequent state fiscal years for the purposes
- 18 described in subsection (1). However, the authorization for the
- 19 expenditure of money provided in this subsection does not apply
- 20 after the state fiscal year in which the total amount of money in
- 21 the trust fund, exclusive of interest and earnings and amounts
- 22 authorized for expenditure under this section, exceeds
- 23 \$200,000,000.00.
- 24 (3) An expenditure from the trust fund may be made in the
- 25 form of a grant to a local unit of government, subject to the
- 26 following conditions:

- (a) The grant is used for the purposes described in
 subsection (1) and meets the requirements of either subdivision
 (b) or (c).
- (b) A grant for the purposes described in subsection (1)(a) is matched by the local unit of government or public authority with at least 25% of the total cost of the project.
- 7 (c) A grant for the purposes described in subsection (1)(b) 8 is matched by the local unit of government with 25% or more of 9 the total cost of the project.
- (4) Not less than 25% of the total amounts made available

 11 for expenditure from the trust fund from any state fiscal year

 12 shall be expended for acquisition of land and rights in land, and

 13 not more than 25% of the total amounts made available for expen
 14 diture from the trust fund from any state fiscal year shall be

 15 expended for development of public recreation facilities.
- (5) During the first 3 state fiscal years after October +,
 17 1985, not less than 15% of the total expenditures from the trust
 18 fund shall be expended for development of public recreational
 19 facilities. However, at the request of the legislature or the
 20 governor, the board may suspend the requirement of this subsec
 21 tion in order to permit the acquisition of land or rights in land
 22 of exceptional statewide significance.