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CLEARWATER TOWNSHIP CONVEYANCE

House Bill 5088

Sponsor: Rep. Ken Bradstreet

Committee: Regulatory Reform

Complete to 10-17-01

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5088 AS INTRODUCED 9-25-01

The bill would allow the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to convey property under its jurisdiction to Clearwater Township in Kalkaska County for \$1. The property would have to be used exclusively for public recreational purposes or it would revert to state ownership. If the township disputed the state's right to reclaim the property, the attorney general could bring an action to quiet title to, and regain possession of, the property. Any fees, terms, conditions, and waivers imposed for the public use of the property would have to apply to both residents and nonresidents. The conveyance would be by quitclaim deed and would not reserve mineral rights to the state. Any revenue received under the bill would go to the general fund.

(The land in question is a 20-acre parcel that has been leased to Clearwater Township for 25 years and used for recreational purposes. The park, commonly referred to as "Freedom Park", is located along the Rapid River in Rapid City and has various outdoor facilities that are owned by the township.)

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