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S.B. 468: FLOOR ANALYSIS

Senate Bill 468 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Senator John D. Cherry, Jr. Committee: Local, Urban and State Affairs

CONTENT

The bill would authorize the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), on behalf of the State, to convey for \$1 to Genesee County, two parcels of property under the DNR's jurisdiction and located in Genesee County, as described in the bill, to be used only for public recreation purposes.

The conveyance would have to require the property to be used only for public recreation purposes, and be open to all State residents on the same terms, fees, and conditions. The conveyance also would have to provide that upon termination of that use or use for any other purpose, the property would have to revert immediately to the State, with the State assuming no liability for any improvements made by Genesee County.

The conveyance would have to be by quitclaim deed approved by the Attorney General and would have to reserve mineral rights to the State.

Legislative Analyst: N. Nagata

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government. The two parcels described in the bill are State-owned in-holdings in a larger parcel of property owned by Genesee County and used for off-road vehicle (ORV) recreational purposes. The parcels were originally purchased by the Department of Natural Resources with funds from the Natural Resources Trust Fund for approximately \$93,000 with the intent of providing recreational areas for ORVs. The DNR now supports conveying the property to Genesee County for \$1, to be used for ORV recreational purposes, with the provision that the property would be returned to the Department if it were ever used for any other purpose.

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