



ANALYSIS

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Senate Bill 908 (Substitute S-2 as reported)

Sponsor: Senator Curtis Hertel, Jr. Committee: Government Operations

CONTENT

The bill would require the State Administrative Board to reconvey certain property to the City of Lansing, if the city conveyed the property to the State, and require the reconveyance to omit a requirement that the property be made available to members of the public regardless of residence, and a requirement that any fees for use of the property be imposed in the same manner on residents and nonresidents.

The property in question includes a parcel, referred to as the Groesbeck Golf Course, that the Department of Natural Resources conveyed (along with several other parcels) to the City of Lansing for \$1 pursuant to Public Act 531 of 1996. Public Act 531 contained a restriction that the property be dedicated for park and recreational purposes and be available for use by members of the general public without regard to place of residence.

The property subject to the bill includes another parcel that the State Administrative Board conveyed to the City of Lansing pursuant to Public Act 431 of 2004. That parcel (also part of the Groesbeck Golf Course) was conveyed subject to a requirement that it be used exclusively for the purpose of a public golf course owned by the City, or other public purpose. The conveyance also contained a restriction that, if any fee, term, or condition for the use of the property is imposed on members of the public, or is waived for use of the property, resident and nonresident members must be subject to the same fee, term, condition, or waiver.

The bill would require the State Administrative Board to reconvey the property described above to the City of Lansing for \$1, if the City conveyed it to the State. The reconveyance would have to be subject to the same terms and restrictions as the original conveyance but could not contain the restriction requiring the property to be made available for use by members of the general public without regard to place of residence, or the restriction that if any fee, term, or condition for the use of the property is imposed on members of the public, or waived, resident and nonresident members must be subject to the same fee, term, condition, or waiver.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would result in an indeterminate fiscal impact on the City of Lansing by giving it the ability to charge nonresidents a higher rate than charged to City of Lansing residents for use of the Groesbeck Golf Course.

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