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Introduction and first reading
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OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to state lands; authorizing private sale of certain tax-forfeited land in St.
1.3 Louis County.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LANDS; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.

1.6 (a) Notwithstanding the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, or
1.7 other law to the contrary, St. Louis County may sell by private sale the tax-forfeited lands
1.8 described in paragraph (c).

1.9 (b) The conveyances must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney
1.10 general may make changes to the land descriptions to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

1.11 (c) The lands to be sold are located in St. Louis County and are described as:

1.12 (1) the East 4.97 feet of Lot 1, Block 19, Gilbert, Township 58, Range 17, Section 23
1.13 (parcel number 060-0010-04190);

1.14 (2) beginning at a point 170 feet West of the northeast corner of said forty; thence West
1.15 a distance of 170 feet to a point; thence South a distance of 256.5 feet to a point; thence
1.16 continuing a parallel line East a distance of 170 feet to a point; thence continuing a parallel
1.17 line North a distance of 256.5 feet to the point of beginning and being in the Northwest
1.18 Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, containing approximately 1 acre of land, Township 57,
1.19 Range 21, Section 21 (part of parcel number 141-0050-03594);

1.20 (3) the North Half and the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and the West
1.21 Half of the Southeast Quarter, Township 52, Range 13, Section 23 (part of parcel number
1.22 485-0010-03610);

2.1 (4) all of Section 5, except the South Half of the Northeast Quarter and except the
2.2 Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and except the railway right-of-way, .94 acres,
2.3 Township 53, Range 15, Section 5 (part of parcel number 660-0010-00660); and

2.4 (5) that part lying within the East Half of Lot 1 lying South of St. Louis County Road
2.5 23 described as follows: commencing at the northwest corner of Section 19, Township 65,
2.6 Range 21; thence East along the section line 661.2 feet; thence at right angles South 285
2.7 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 315 feet; thence at right angle East 250 feet;
2.8 thence at right angle North 315 feet; thence West to the point of beginning, except that part
2.9 of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter described as follows: commencing at
2.10 the northwest corner; thence North 89 degrees 38 minutes 14 seconds East along the north
2.11 line 661.2 feet; thence South 0 degrees 21 minutes 46 seconds East 456.90 feet; thence
2.12 North 89 degrees 38 minutes 14 seconds East 19.82 feet to the easterly right-of-way of
2.13 Westley Drive and the point of beginning; thence South 3 degrees 59 minutes 44 seconds
2.14 West along said easterly right-of-way 76.03 feet; thence North 89 degrees 38 minutes 14
2.15 seconds East 207.13 feet; thence North 0 degrees 21 minutes 46 seconds West 162.42 feet;
2.16 thence North 57 degrees 40 minutes 44 seconds West 210.75 feet to the intersection of said
2.17 easterly right-of-way; thence South 19 degrees 7 minutes 59 seconds West along said easterly
2.18 right-of-way 33.23 feet; thence South 3 degrees 59 minutes 44 seconds West along said
2.19 easterly right-of-way 30.28 feet; thence North 89 degrees 38 minutes 14 seconds East 33.58
2.20 feet; thence South 31 degrees 11 minutes 36 seconds East 112.47 feet; thence South 67
2.21 degrees 3 minutes 53 seconds West 110.25 feet to said easterly right-of-way and the point
2.22 of beginning, Township 65, Range 21, Section 19 (parcel number 760-0040-00533).

2.23 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would best
2.24 be served if the land was returned to private ownership.

2.25 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

2.26 **Sec. 2. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LANDS BORDERING PUBLIC**
2.27 **WATERS; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

2.28 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, and
2.29 the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, St. Louis County may sell by
2.30 private sale the tax-forfeited lands bordering public waters that are described in paragraph
2.31 (c).

2.32 (b) The conveyances must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney
2.33 general may make changes to the land descriptions to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

3.1 (c) The lands to be sold are located in St. Louis County and are described as:

3.2 (1) Lot 101, Echo Point, Town of Breitung, Township 62, Range 15, Section 19 (parcel
3.3 number 270-0070-01010);

3.4 (2) the Northeast Quarter, except the Southwest Quarter, and the Southeast Quarter,
3.5 except the Northwest Quarter, Township 54, Range 16, Section 22 (part of parcel number
3.6 305-0010-03530); and

3.7 (3) Government Lots 6 and 7, except that part of Government Lot 6 lying North of the
3.8 quarter line of Section 32, Township 69, Range 19 (parcel number 732-0010-04150).

3.9 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would best
3.10 be served if the land was returned to private ownership.

3.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.