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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment Policy and Oversight

A bill for an act

relating to state lands; authorizing private sale of certain tax-forfeited land that borders public water.

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

Section 1. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER; MAHNOMEN COUNTY.

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, Mahnomen County may sell by private sale the tax-forfeited land bordering public water that is described in paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.

(b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy. The conveyance must include a deed restriction that prohibits buildings, structures, tree cutting, removal of vegetation, and shoreland alterations within an area 75 feet from the ordinary high water level. A 15-foot strip for lake access and a dock is allowed.

(c) The land to be sold is located in Mahnomen County and is described as:

Beginning at the northeast corner of Lot 1; thence 28 rods West to the point of beginning; thence West 7 rods; thence South to the shoreline of North Twin Lake 9 rods, more or less; thence southeast on the shoreline to a point South of the point of beginning; thence North 16 rods, more or less, to the point of beginning, all in Section 29, Township 144 North, Range 39 West (parcel number R16 029 0200).

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