Legislative Analysis



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OAKLAND COUNTY CONVEYANCE

House Bill 4478

Sponsor: Rep. John Stakoe Committee: Regulatory Reform

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4478 AS INTRODUCED 3-9-05

The bill would convey, for \$1, a 28-acre parcel of land currently under the jurisdiction of the Department of Natural Resources to White Lake Township in Oakland County to be used exclusively as a natural park area. The conveyance would be by quitclaim deed approved by the Attorney General and revenue received would be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the general fund. The description of the parcel is approximate and subject to adjustments as considered necessary.

The property could be used only for public purposes. Any fee or condition imposed on the public to use the land would have to be the same for residents and non-residents. The state could reenter and repossess the property if used for any other purposes. If the state's right of reentry is disputed, the Attorney General could bring an action to quiet title to, and regain possession of, the property.

The state would reserve mineral rights to the property. In addition, the state would reserve all rights to aboriginal antiquities, including mounds, earthworks, forts, burial and village sites, mines, or other relics lying on, within, or under the property; this would include the right to explore and excavate for the aboriginal antiquity by the state or its authorized agents.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have negligible fiscal impact at the state and local levels.

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