

Property Conveyance

Department of Natural Resources - Gladwin County

Senate Bill 141 As Reported by House Appropriations Committee

Sponsor: Senator Moolenaar

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SUMMARY OF THE BILL:

Senate Bill 141 would authorize the Department of Natural Resources to accept property (a parcel of park land) from the City of Gladwin and to then convey the property back to the City of Gladwin for \$1.00 with different purposes for which the property can be used. Currently, the property is to be used exclusively for city park purposes. Under the bill, the property would be used exclusively for public purposes.

An approximate legal description of the property is set forth in the bill. Any fees, terms, or conditions applied for use of the property, or waivers of those fees, terms, or conditions, would be required to be applied uniformly to all members of the public. The state would be authorized to reenter and repossess the property if all conditions were not met and would not be liable for reimbursement to any party for improvements made on the property.

The property would be conveyed by a quitclaim deed approved by the Attorney General. The state would reserve oil, gas, and mineral rights to the conveyed property and would reserve all rights in aboriginal antiquities, including the right to explore, excavate, and take them. Aboriginal antiquities include mounds, earthworks, forts, burial and village sites, mines, and other relics.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The property would be conveyed to the state and then back to the City of Gladwin for \$1.00.

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