SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 2837

As Reported By Senate Committee On: Natural Resources & Parks, February 26, 1998

Title: An act relating to improving wildlife resources and air transportation.

Brief Description: Identifying property abandoned by the department of fish and wildlife.

Sponsors: Representatives Clements, Skinner and Buck.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Natural Resources & Parks: 2/20/98, 2/26/98 [DP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES & PARKS

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Oke, Chair; Rossi, Vice Chair; Hargrove, Jacobsen, Morton, Prentice, Roach, Snyder, Spanel, Stevens and Swecker.

Staff: Ross Antipa (786-7413)

Background: The Department of Fish and Wildlife owns and manages a number of different properties in the state. These properties include land and facilities devoted to fish hatchery operations and lands managed for the benefit of wildlife species.

Summary of Bill: The Legislature finds that the Department of Fish and Wildlife manages property in the state where the department no longer uses the property for fish hatchery operations and where the location of the property impedes further development of air transportation facilities. The department is directed to identify all such properties in the state and to work with local governments in the counties where there are such properties to explore land exchanges to benefit wildlife and to facilitate improved air transportation.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.

Testimony For: None.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: No one.