

SENATE BILL REPORT

ESB 6161

AS PASSED SENATE, FEBRUARY 12, 1992

Brief Description: Allowing the nonpermanent disposition of public lands.

SPONSORS: Senators Oke and Sutherland; by request of Department of Natural Resources

SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Majority Report: Do pass as amended.

Signed by Senators Metcalf, Chairman; Oke, Vice Chairman; Amondson, Barr, Conner, Owen, Snyder, and Sutherland.

Staff: Vic Moon (786-7469)

Hearing Dates: January 30, 1992

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES & PARKS

BACKGROUND:

The Legislature has occasionally budgeted appropriations to the Department of Natural Resources to allow the transfer or sale of state lands for particular public purposes. Lands are to be replaced so that the state land base will not be reduced. The department does not have an account to hold funds during the sale and alternate land transaction process.

SUMMARY:

The Department of Natural Resources is given an accounting mechanism to account for funds from the Legislature or land transfer funds. The department may make direct transfers or dispositions of real property at fair market value without public auction in certain prescribed circumstances.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: requested January 20, 1992

TESTIMONY FOR:

The establishment of the account will save money and will be easier to use.

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: Pat McElroy, Department of Natural Resources

HOUSE AMENDMENT(S) :

Technical changes are made to make the proposed law read more easily.