

Amendment to LD 486
Resolve, Directing the Bureau of Parks and Lands To Convey Certain Land in Township 12, Range 13 WELS in Exchange for Other Land in Township 11, Range 10 WELS
Proposed by Senator Farrin
March 9, 2021

Amend the bill by striking out the title and replacing with the following:

Resolve, Directing the Bureau of Parks and Lands To Convey Certain Land in Township 12, Range 13 WELS in Exchange for Other Land in Township 11, Range 10 WELS **or Other Forest Land Suitable To the Bureau**

Amend the bill in section 1 as follows:

Sec. 1. Director of Bureau of Parks and Lands directed to convey certain land in Township 12, Range 13 WELS in exchange for other land in Township 11, Range 10 WELS or Other Forest Land Suitable To the Bureau. Resolved: That the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall by quitclaim deed without covenant convey to Clayton Lake Woodlands Holdings, LLC all of the State's common and undivided interest in land owned in common with Clayton Lake Woodlands Holdings, LLC in T.12 R.13 WELS, which is approximately ~~6,000~~ 5,000 acres, in exchange for all right, title and interest in and to approximately ~~6,000~~ 5,000 acres in T.11 R.10 WELS or ~~T.12 R.13 WELS~~ other forest land comparable in value and suitable to the bureau, which is currently owned by Clayton Lake Woodlands Holdings, LLC. If an agreement to an exchange in accordance with this resolve is not reached by January 1, 2022, the bureau shall file in the Aroostook County Superior Court a civil action pursuant to Title 14, chapter 719 to partition the common and undivided interest in land in T. 12 R. 13 WELS. The resulting state fee ownership is subject to the tax applied to forest land in Aroostook County under the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law.

SUMMARY

This amendment provides that if an agreement to a land exchange between Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Bureau of Parks and Lands and Clayton Lake Holdings, LLC cannot be reached by January 1, 2022, the bureau is required to file in court a civil action to partition the common and divided interest in land.