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ST. CLAIR FLATS CONVEYANCES

House Bill 4355
Sponsor: Rep. Terry London
Committee: State Affairs

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4355 AS INTRODUCED 2-24-93

The bill would amend Public Act 326 of 1913 to allow the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to sell, upon application by the lessee and for fair market value (not including such improvements as buildings, seawalls, and docks), six parcels of land on the St. Clair Flats in St. Clair County that currently are being leased. The deeds would have the same provisions regarding use and occupancy as the current leases, and the state would keep its right to regulate public hunting, fishing, and navigation. The DNR would have to do a site inspection and, if necessary, set stakes to identify the boundaries of the land to be deeded, and applicants also could be required to provide a boundary survey of the area in question. All structures (including existing seawalls) would have to meet the requirements of the township building code and county and state sanitation codes, and would have to be on land that was adequately protected from erosion. Deeds couldn't include any land (under the original lease) that was under water or that lay below the ordinary high water mark of Lake St. Clair.

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