## FINAL BILL REPORT

## **HB 1411**

Synopsis as Enacted C 248 L 93

Brief Description: Allowing metropolitan park districts to acquire open space, land, or rights to future development.

By Representatives Pruitt, Morton, R. Johnson, Brown and Brough.

House Committee on Natural Resources & Parks Senate Committee on Ecology & Parks

Background: In 1971, the Legislature authorized certain entities to participate in "conservation futures" programs. Under these programs, an entity may purchase development rights or make other contractual agreements with a property owner of select open space land, farm land, or timber land in order to preserve these open spaces or areas from future development. Under current law, the following entities are authorized to participate in conservation futures programs: counties, cities, towns, metropolitan municipal corporations, nonprofit historic preservation corporations, and nonprofit nature conservancy corporations or associations.

**Summary:** Metropolitan park districts are added to the list of entities authorized to participate in conservation futures programs.

## Votes on Final Passage:

House 96 0 Senate 47 0

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