
Transportation Committee

SSB 5209

Brief Description: Allowing federally recognized Indian tribes to buy surplus real property from the department of transportation.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators T. Sheldon, Swecker, Regala, Rossi, Prentice and Costa).

Brief Summary of Substitute Bill

- Federally recognized Indian tribes are authorized to purchase surplus real property from the Department of Transportation providing the property is within its reservation boundary.

Hearing Date: 3/4/02

Staff: Penny Nerup (786-7335).

Background:

When the Department of Transportation determines that it no longer needs real property for transportation purposes and that the public interest is not affected, it may sell or exchange the property at fair market value to a limited class of purchasers. Authorized purchasers include, among others, state agencies, cities or counties in which the property is located, transit authorities, former owners of the property, or owners of abutting private property.

Summary of Bill:

A federally recognized Indian tribe is allowed to purchase surplus Department of Transportation real property within its reservation boundary.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not Requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.