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HOUSE BILL NO. 633

Offered January 19, 1996

A BILL authorizing the Board of Game and Inland Fisheries to convey certain of its land in Caroline County, and to accept certain property in exchange.

Patrons—Guest, Albo, Behm, Clement, Connally, Councill, Cox, Crouch, Deeds, Grayson, Parrish, Phillips, Plum, Puller, Reid, Ruff, Thomas and Way

Referred to Committee on Conservation and Natural Resources

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

§ 1. That the Board of Game and Inland Fisheries is hereby authorized to convey, as part of an exchange of lands conditioned by the provisions of §§ 1 and 2 and upon such additional terms, and as the Board of Game and Inland Fisheries deems proper, with the approval of the Governor, the Attorney General and the Secretary of Natural Resources, a parcel of land known as the Pettigrew Wildlife Management Area. As additional consideration, approximately seventy percent of the Pettigrew Wildlife Management Area shall be placed under a perpetual conservation easement or otherwise dedicated to open space uses acceptable to Caroline County. The area covered by the perpetual easement shall, at a minimum, include an undeveloped buffer area of 1,000 feet in width extending parallel to U.S. Route 17 along the existing Pettigrew boundary and all that portion of the property south of a line drawn 2,000 feet north of and parallel to Mount Creek. The perpetual conservation easement shall be generally consistent with the easement policies of the Virginia Outdoors Foundation, subject to the final design and location of State Routes 614, 615, and U.S. Route 17.

§ 2. In consideration for such conveyance, the Board of Game and Inland Fisheries is authorized to accept certain land, with or without improvements of equal fair market value with wildlife value suitable to the Board of Game and Inland Fisheries, and equal or greater contiguous acreage. For the purposes of the exchange proposed by this section, the exchange property shall be appraised at its current fair market value.

§ 3. The deeds of conveyance and other documents shall be in the form approved by the Attorney General.

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