

SB 35 -- PURCHASES OF LAND BY THE STATE

This bill requires that when the Commissioner of the Office of Administration contracts to purchase lands on behalf of any state agency or the Department of Natural Resources contracts to purchase lands, and the purchase is for 60 acres or more or exceeds \$250,000 in a single transaction, the department that will own or manage the lands must take certain actions including providing public notice on its website, to elected officials, and in a newspaper, holding a public hearing in affected counties, and providing public notice of the public hearing as specified in the bill.