House \_\_\_\_\_\_ Amendment NO. \_\_\_\_

1	AMEND House Bill No. 1694, Page 1, Section 640.042, Line 17, by inserting after all of said
2	section and line the following:
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4	"640.780. 1. The department of natural resources and all other state departments, agencies,
5	or entities shall sell at public auction any and all property interest to land situated in a county of the
6	third classification without a township form of government and with more than ten thousand but
7	fewer than twelve thousand inhabitants and with a city of the fourth classification with more than
8	eight hundred but fewer than nine hundred inhabitants as the county seat purchased on or before
9	August 28, 2020, through legal settlement funds administered in whole or in part by the department
10	of natural resources. If there is no purchaser, the property shall revert to the ownership of the
11	county government.
12	2. After August 28, 2020, the department of natural resources and all other state
13	departments, agencies, or entities shall not purchase any property interest in a county of the third
14	classification without a township form of government and with more than ten thousand but fewer
15	than twelve thousand inhabitants and with a city of the fourth classification with more than eight
16	hundred but fewer than nine hundred inhabitants as the county seat.
17	3. Any taxpayer of the state shall have standing to enforce the provisions of this section and,
18	in addition to specific performance, shall be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees.
19	4. The provisions of this section shall be construed to include any leasehold, option
20	contracts, or easement rights acquired by any state department, agency, or entity.
21	5. The provisions of this section shall expire on August 28, 2021."; and
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23	Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
24	accordingly.

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