HJR 58 -- CONSERVATION SALES TAX

SPONSOR: Mayhew

Upon voter approval, this proposed Constitutional amendment specifies that beginning on January 1 the year following approval, 10% of revenue derived from the Conservation Sales and Use Tax will go for duties and responsibilities of the Division of State Parks within the Department of Natural Resources and 10% for the duties and responsibilities of local political subdivisions in which land owned by the Department of Conservation is located. The resolution specifies the manner in which the portion of the revenues to local political subdivisions is to be distributed.

The resolution also requires the Department of Conservation to pay property taxes on real property in the amount not less than that private citizens would be required to pay. The General Assembly must also review any proposed sale or purchase of real property by the Department of Conservation prior to the transaction being final.