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Senate Bill 1488 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator Patricia L. Birkholz
Committee: Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs

CONTENT

The bill would amend Part 326 (Great Lakes Submerged Logs Recovery) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to revise the expiration date of a submerged log removal permit, delaying a permit's expiration for up to 10 years.

Part 326 requires a person to obtain a permit from the Department of Natural Resources and Environment before removing submerged logs from Great Lakes bottomlands. A permit applicant must notify the Department of the date on which the Federal government issued its approval for the permit. The bill would refer to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), rather than the Federal government. Currently, each submerged log removal permit will expire on January 1, 2013. Under the bill, each permit would expire upon the expiration of the required permit issued by USACE, but not later than January 1, 2023.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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