



**House  
Legislative  
Analysis  
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***THE APPARENT PROBLEM:***

About twenty years ago, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) obtained about five acres of land from the Bureau of Aeronautics and built its District 7 headquarters on it. The land, in Oscoda County near Mio, lies adjacent to the county airport; the southern portion of the land lies under a flight path and cannot be built upon. The county wishes to expand the airport, but reports that it must have title to the southern portion to obtain federal funding for the project. Oscoda County seeks to acquire about two and three-quarters acres of the DNR property, along with a nearby parcel held by the transportation department's Bureau of Aeronautics, to enable the county to improve its airport.

***THE CONTENT OF THE BILL:***

The bill would transfer to Oscoda County two parcels of land, one held by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the other by the transportation department's Bureau of Aeronautics. Conveyance of the parcel now held by the DNR would be conditioned on the land being used only for public purposes, and being open to all residents of the state on the same terms, fees, and conditions. Conveyance of the Bureau of Aeronautics parcel would be conditioned on the land being used exclusively for public aviation purposes as a portion of a licensed airport. Each parcel would be conveyed for \$1 by quitclaim deed; the state would retain mineral rights.

**OSCODA AIRPORT CONVEYANCE**

House Bill 4997 (Substitute H-1)  
First Analysis (1-10-90)

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***FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:***

Fiscal information is not available. (12-4-89)

***ARGUMENTS:***

***For:***

The bill would convey to Oscoda County two small parcels of land it needs order to make planned improvements to its airport. To obtain federal funding for the expansion, the county must have title to the land.

***POSITIONS:***

The Oscoda County Board of Commissioners supports the bill. (11-27-89)

The Department of Natural Resources supports the bill. (11-28-89)

The Department of Transportation supports the concept of the land transfer. (11-29-89)

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