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SENATE FILE 2282  
BY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL  
RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 2104)

Passed Senate, Date \_\_\_\_\_ Passed House, Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_ Vote: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_  
Approved \_\_\_\_\_

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act requiring a study of the archaeological and  
2 paleontological significance of the loess hills and of the  
3 feasibility of creating a state native prairie preserve in the  
4 loess hills, and providing a contingent effective date.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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SF 2282  
NAT. RES. & ENVIRONMENT

1 Section 1. LOESS HILLS STUDY AND REPORT. The natural  
2 resource commission, in consultation with the state advisory  
3 board for preserves, shall conduct a study to determine the  
4 archaeological and paleontological significance of the loess  
5 hills and to determine the feasibility of designating land in  
6 the loess hills for dedication as a state native prairie  
7 preserve. The natural resource commission may accept gifts,  
8 grants, bequests, and other private contributions, as well as  
9 federal, state, or local funds for the purposes of conducting  
10 the study. The natural resource commission and the state  
11 advisory board for preserves shall file a joint report  
12 containing their findings and recommendations with the  
13 legislative services agency by December 15, 2005, for  
14 distribution to the general assembly.

15 Sec. 2. CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect  
16 upon receipt by the natural resource commission of federal,  
17 state, or local funding for the loess hills study and report.

18 EXPLANATION

19 This bill requires the natural resource commission, in  
20 consultation with the state advisory board for preserves, to  
21 conduct a study to determine the archaeological and  
22 paleontological significance of the loess hills and to  
23 determine the feasibility of designating land in the loess  
24 hills for dedication as a state native prairie preserve. The  
25 bill also provides that the commission may accept gifts,  
26 grants, bequests, and other private contributions, as well as  
27 federal, state, or local funds for the purpose of conducting  
28 the study.

29 The bill also directs the natural resource commission and  
30 the state advisory board for preserves to file a joint report  
31 containing their findings and recommendations with the  
32 legislative services agency by December 15, 2005, for  
33 distribution to the general assembly. The bill takes effect  
34 contingent upon receipt by the commission of federal, state,  
35 or local funding for the loess hills study and report.

**Fiscal Services Division  
Legislative Services Agency  
Fiscal Note**

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SF 2282 - Loess Hills State Prairie Study (LSB 5373 SV)  
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Fiscal Note Version - New

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**Description**

Senate File 2282 requires the Natural Resource Commission in cooperation with the State Preserves Advisory Board to conduct a study to determine the feasibility for designating land within the Loess Hills region as a State Native Prairie Preserve. The Bill specifies that a joint report with findings and recommendations be forwarded to the Legislative Services Agency by December 15, 2005.

**Assumptions**

1. The National Park Service completed a Special Resource Study in the Loess Hills in 2002, and identified 12 special landscape areas that would be logical sites for a State Native Prairie Preserve.
2. An ecological survey is needed to provide plant and animal inventories at the various sites.
3. The most recent ecological survey was completed in Clinton and Scott counties in 2003, near the Wapsipinicon River. The cost to survey 25 miles was \$85,000.
4. The Department of Natural Resources estimates the minimum cost of the study would be \$250,000.
5. There is no designated funding for this project. The Bill specifies funding from gifts, grants, bequests, private donations, federal funds, State funds, or local funds.

**Fiscal Impact**

The estimated fiscal impact of SF 2282 is an increase in expenditures of \$250,000 to the Department of Natural Resources.

**Source**

Department of Natural Resources

Dennis C Prouty

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March 9, 2004

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The fiscal note and correctional impact statement for this bill was prepared pursuant to Joint Rule 17 and pursuant to Section 2.56, Code of Iowa. Data used in developing this fiscal note and correctional impact statement are available from the Fiscal Services Division, Legislative Services Agency to members of the Legislature upon request.

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SENATE FILE 2282

H-8348

1 Amend Senate File 2282, as passed by the Senate, as  
2 follows:

3 1. Page 1, lines 1 and 2, by striking the words  
4 "natural resource commission" and inserting the  
5 following: "loess hills development and conservation  
6 authority".

7 2. Page 1, line 3, by inserting after the word  
8 "a" the following: "comprehensive".

9 3. Page 1, line 4, by inserting after the word  
10 "significance" the following: "and the significance  
11 of the flora and fauna".

12 4. Page 1, by striking lines 5 through 7, and  
13 inserting the following: "hills and to determine the  
14 feasibility of various uses of the loess hills. The  
15 loess hills development and conservation authority may  
16 accept gifts,".

17 5. Page 1, line 10, by striking the words  
18 "natural resource commission" and inserting the  
19 following: "loess hills development and conservation  
20 authority".

21 6. Page 1, line 13, by striking the figure "2005"  
22 and inserting the following: "2006".

23 7. Page 1, line 16, by striking the words  
24 "natural resource commission" and inserting the  
25 following: "loess hills development and conservation  
26 authority".

27 8. Title page, line 1, by inserting after the  
28 word "a" the following: "comprehensive".

29 9. Title page, line 2, by inserting after the  
30 word "significance" the following: "and the  
31 significance of the flora and fauna".

32 10. Title page, line 3, by striking the words  
33 "creating a state native prairie preserve in" and  
34 inserting the following: "various uses of".

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H-8348 FILED MARCH 30, 2004

**HOUSE AMENDMENT TO  
SENATE FILE 2282**

**S-5236**

1 Amend Senate File 2282, as passed by the Senate, as  
2 follows:

3 1. Page 1, lines 1 and 2, by striking the words  
4 "natural resource commission" and inserting the  
5 following: "loess hills development and conservation  
6 authority".

7 2. Page 1, line 3, by inserting after the word  
8 "a" the following: "comprehensive".

9 3. Page 1, line 4, by inserting after the word  
10 "significance" the following: "and the significance  
11 of the flora and fauna".

12 4. Page 1, by striking lines 5 through 7, and  
13 inserting the following: "hills and to determine the  
14 feasibility of various uses of the loess hills. The  
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30 word "significance" the following: "and the  
31 significance of the flora and fauna".

32 10. Title page, line 3, by striking the words  
33 "creating a state native prairie preserve in" and  
34 inserting the following: "various uses of".

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**S-5236** FILED MARCH 31, 2004

**SENATE FILE 2282**

**S-5310**

1 Amend the House amendment, S-5236, to Senate File  
2 2282, as passed by the Senate, as follows:  
3 1. Page 1, by striking lines 12 through 16 and  
4 inserting the following:  
5 "\_\_\_\_. Page 1, line 7, by inserting after the word  
6 "preserve" the following: "and of other various uses  
7 of the loess hills"."  
8 2. Page 1, by striking lines 32 through 34 and  
9 inserting the following:  
10 "\_\_\_\_. Title page, line 4, by inserting after the  
11 word "hills" the following: "and of other various  
12 uses of the loess hills"."  
13 3. By renumbering as necessary.

**By STEVEN H. WARNSTADT**

**S-5310 FILED APRIL 12, 2004**

**SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE AMENDMENT TO  
SENATE FILE 2282**

**H-8516**

1 Amend the House amendment, S-5236, to Senate File  
2 2282, as passed by the Senate, as follows:  
3 1. Page 1, by striking lines 12 through 16 and  
4 inserting the following:  
5 "\_\_\_\_. Page 1, line 7, by inserting after the word  
6 "preserve" the following: "and of other various uses  
7 of the loess hills"."  
8 2. Page 1, by striking lines 32 through 34 and  
9 inserting the following:  
10 "\_\_\_\_. Title page, line 4, by inserting after the  
11 word "hills" the following: "and of other various  
12 uses of the loess hills"."  
13 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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**H-8516 FILED APRIL 14, 2004**

authority of federal, state, or local funding for the loess hills study and report.

SENATE FILE 2282

AN ACT

REQUIRING A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND PALEONTOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE FLORA AND FAUNA OF THE LOESS HILLS AND OF THE FEASIBILITY OF CREATING A STATE NATIVE PRAIRIE PRESERVE IN THE LOESS HILLS AND OF OTHER VARIOUS USES OF THE LOESS HILLS, AND PROVIDING A CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. LOESS HILLS STUDY AND REPORT. The loess hills development and conservation authority, in consultation with the state advisory board for preserves, shall conduct a comprehensive study to determine the archaeological and paleontological significance and the significance of the flora and fauna of the loess hills and to determine the feasibility of designating land in the loess hills for dedication as a state native prairie preserve and of other various uses of the loess hills. The natural resource commission may accept gifts, grants, bequests, and other private contributions, as well as federal, state, or local funds for the purposes of conducting the study. The loess hills development and conservation authority and the state advisory board for preserves shall file a joint report containing their findings and recommendations with the legislative services agency by December 15, 2006, for distribution to the general assembly.

Sec. 2. CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect upon receipt by the loess hills development and conservation

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JEFFREY M. LAMBERTI  
President of the Senate

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CHRISTOPHER C. RANTS  
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 2282, Eightieth General Assembly.

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MICHAEL E. MARSHALL  
Secretary of the Senate

Approved \_\_\_\_\_, 2004

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THOMAS J. VILSACK  
Governor