

**Senate File 354 - Introduced**

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BY BOUSSELOT

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act authorizing a negotiation for the purchase of certain  
2 land from the state of Minnesota by the state of Iowa, and  
3 including effective date provisions.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. AUTHORIZATION — BORDER NEGOTIATION WITH  
2 MINNESOTA.

3 1. The governor shall appoint a resident of the state of  
4 Iowa, and the majority leader of the senate and the speaker of  
5 the house of representatives shall each appoint one member from  
6 their respective chambers of the general assembly, which three  
7 persons are hereby authorized to collectively negotiate on behalf  
8 of the state of Iowa with the state of Minnesota for the purchase  
9 of the following Minnesota counties: Rock, Nobles, Jackson,  
10 Martin, Faribault, Freeborn, Mower, Fillmore, and Houston.

11 2. Any negotiated agreement under this section must include  
12 all of the following provisions:

13 a. The title of record in the state of Minnesota to any  
14 lands, the jurisdiction of which is relinquished to the state  
15 of Iowa, shall be accepted as the record title by the courts of  
16 Iowa.

17 b. Any pending suits or actions concerning lands relinquished  
18 to the state of Iowa may be prosecuted to final judgment in  
19 the state of Minnesota and such judgments shall be accorded full  
20 force and effect in Iowa.

21 3. Any negotiated agreement under this section shall be void  
22 unless all of the following occur:

23 a. The passage of an Act approving the agreement by the  
24 general assembly, signed by the governor.

25 b. The passage of a similar Act relinquishing and waiving to  
26 the state of Iowa all claim of jurisdiction over the land by the  
27 legislature of Minnesota.

28 c. The passage of an Act of Congress approving the change of  
29 jurisdiction.

30 d. The passage of an Act by the general assembly  
31 appropriating moneys to pay for the purchase of the land  
32 relinquished by the state of Minnesota, if payment is required  
33 by the agreement.

34 e. The passage of a constitutional amendment by the state of  
35 Iowa ratifying the new boundaries of the state.

