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Bill Summary
Senate Bills 1509, 1510
Prime Sponsor: Earll

A. Synopsis:

Authorizes DGS to grant and convey to Erie Art Museum certain lands situate in the City of Erie, Erie County.

B. Bill Analysis:

Senate Bill 1509 authorizes the Department of General Services with the approval of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission to grant and convey to the Erie Art Museum a property known locally as the Customs House for \$1. There will be restrictive covenants placed on the deed that the land conveyed shall be accessible to the general public and maintained and preserved according to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings. Should the grantee fail to provide reasonable access or fail to maintain and preserve the property, the title to the property will immediately revert to and revest back to the Commonwealth.

Furthermore, the Erie Art Museum shall ensure that any design for new construction or rehabilitation be compatible with its original architectural design. No new construction, demolition, alteration, remodeling or landscape/site work shall be undertaken without the prior, written approval of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

Senate Bill 1510 authorizes the Department of General Services with the approval of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission to grant and convey to the Erie Art Museum two tracts of land, the property being locally known as the Cashiers House for \$1. There will be restrictive covenants placed on the deed that the land conveyed shall be accessible to the general public and maintained and preserved according to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings. Should the grantee fail to provide reasonable access or fail to maintain and preserve the property, the title to the property will immediately revert to and revest in the Commonwealth.

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