

1 AN ACT concerning property.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois and Michigan Canal Development Act  
5 is amended by changing Section 9 as follows:

6 (615 ILCS 45/9) (from Ch. 19, par. 37.19)

7 Sec. 9.

8 (a) The Department of Natural Resources, upon proper  
9 application made thereto, is authorized, subject to the  
10 approval of the Governor, to sell, transfer, or convey Canal  
11 lands to any department or agency of the United States  
12 Government or transfer jurisdiction and control over such  
13 lands, pursuant to the provisions of Section 2705-550 of the  
14 Department of Transportation Law ~~(20 ILCS 2705/2705-550)~~, to  
15 any department or agency of the State of Illinois or convey to  
16 any political subdivision thereof, or any quasi public board  
17 or agency having present or immediate future need for said  
18 Canal land for public recreation, parks, historic sites, or  
19 other projects of public nature upon such terms as may be  
20 mutually agreed upon by the parties in interest if such sale,  
21 transfer or conveyance is in accordance with the master plan  
22 for the development and management of the Canal. Said  
23 transfer, sale, or conveyance shall contain such conditions

1 and stipulations as the Department may deem necessary to  
2 preserve the best interest of the State of Illinois.

3 (b) With respect to canal lands conveyed to the City of  
4 Ottawa, Illinois by deed dated August 18, 1970, and recorded  
5 September 15, 1970, as Document #563847, all restrictions  
6 imposed by this Section and those imposed in the deed of  
7 conveyance are herewith removed.

8 (Source: P.A. 91-239, eff. 1-1-00.)