BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

About 50 years ago, there was a conveyance to the City of Aransas Pass from the General Land Office (GLO). The current GLO administration denies the validity of this conveyance. The purpose of S.B. 1165 is to trade certain allegedly state-owned land in and near Conn Brown Harbor in Aransas, San Patricio, and Nueces counties for land owned by the City of Aransas Pass.

As proposed, S.B. 1165 clarifies the misunderstanding between the City of Aransas Pass and the GLO regarding the ownership of this property. It clearly defines the boundaries and ownership of the disputed property.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Authorizes the City of Aransas Pass to acquire the right, title, and interest in and to the use of the real property described by Section 4 in exchange for real property described by Section 5.

SECTION 2. Requires the commissioner of the General Land Office to convey on behalf of the state the state's right, title, and interest in and to the use of the property described by Section 4, simultaneously with the conveyance of real property described by Section 5 by the City of Aransas Pass.

SECTION 3. Provides that the legislature finds that the real property described in Section 5 has a fair market value equal to the fair market value of the real property described by Section 4.

SECTION 4. Sets forth the description of the real property of the land and sea bottom below high tide referred to in Section 1 and 2.

SECTION 5. Sets forth the description of the real property of the land and sea bottom below high tide referred to in Section 1 and 2.

SECTION 6. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2005.