

**Bill History**  
**Session Year 2006**  
**Raised H.B. No. 5444**

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**Introducer(s):**

Environment Committee

**Title:** AN ACT ESTABLISHING A DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION LAND TRUST LEGAL ACTION ACCOUNT.

**Statement of Purpose:** To create an account within the General Fund for the Commissioner of Environmental Protection to use to make grants to nonprofit land conservation organizations to enable such organizations to take legal action against individuals or entities that encroach upon land owned by or upon land on which such organizations have conservation restrictions.

**Bill History:**

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04/03/06 CHANGE OF REFERENCE, SENATE TO COMMITTEE ON Appropriations Committee<b

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