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## Before the Senate Committee on AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Friday, March 12, 2021 1:00 PM State Capitol, Via Videoconference

## In consideration of SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 45 REQUESTING THE CONVENING OF A WORKING GROUP TO EXAMINE AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING GLEANING IN STATE AND COUNTY PARKS

Senate Concurrent Resolution 45 requests the convening of a working group to examine and make recommendations regarding gleaning in state and county parks. The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) appreciates the intent but respectfully opposes this measure.

The Department believes that state parks is not appropriate to be included in this measure as the Department does not collect fresh foods from "farms, gardens, farmers markets, grocers, restaurants, state or county fairs, or any other sources in order to provide it to those in need".

The Department defers to the Counties which usually handle city farms and gardens and farmers markets.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.