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This bill repeals the metropolitan land planning act and makes conforming amendments to other statutes, effective the day after enactment.

Under current law, local governments in the seven-county metropolitan area are required to prepare, adopt, and periodically review and update local comprehensive plans. They must then submit the plans and amendments to the metropolitan council for review. The metropolitan council reviews the plans for consistency with metropolitan systems plans (e.g., regional systems for wastewater collection and treatment transportation, airports, parks and open space). If a plan or plan amendment could have a substantial impact on or substantially departs from a metropolitan system plan, the council can require a change to the plan.

Local governments would still be allowed to plan and zone under other law.