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This bill provides a property tax exemption for "land-banked property" held by a quasi-governmental organization (referred to as a "supporting organization of government").

Land-bank property is defined as vacant or unoccupied buildings that the supporting organization holds for development in the area of north Minneapolis declared a presidential disaster area as a result of the 2011 tornado.

The supporting organization is defined as either a 501(c)(3) or a limited liability company solely owned by the 501(c)(3) organization. The 501(c)(3) organization has a 24-member board of directors consisting of:

- The mayors of Minneapolis and St. Paul or their designees (2)
- Two members each from the city councils of Minneapolis and St. Paul (4)
- A resident of Minneapolis and St. Paul, each appointed by the respective mayors (2)
- Eight residents of metropolitan area, four appointed by Metropolitan Council and four by the Housing Finance Agency (8)
- Eight members elected by board of directors of the organization (8)

No more than 50 properties can qualify to be exempt at one time, and the exemption is limited to a five-year period.

The exemption expires after taxes payable in 2018.