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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

H.F. 497 provides that taxable property at the St. Paul intermediate airport (Holman Field) is to be considered part of the tax base of the city of St. Paul and the St. Paul school district, eligible for contribution to the fiscal disparities pool, and subject to the state general levy. (This property was “detached” from the city and school district tax bases in 1996.) Currently these properties are liable only for county and special taxing district taxes, which is also the case for property of the MSP International Airport.

#### Section

- 1 Detaching airport land.** Deletes language currently in statute providing that the St. Paul intermediate airport is not to be considered part of the city of St. Paul or the St. Paul school district for property tax purposes (which, in effect, makes the airport property part of the tax base of those two jurisdictions). By deleting the airport from this section of statute, the property also becomes subject to the state general levy.
- 2 Area.** Eliminates the exemption of the St. Paul intermediate airport from the fiscal disparities pool.