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Expands the definition of transportation wetlands for purposes of the state PILT program. Currently it includes private land of more than 500 acres purchased by the state and administered by the Department of Transportation (MnDOT) to offset wetland losses due to transportation projects. The bill would continue to make payments on this land if MnDOT subsequently transfers the land to a political subdivision.

In general the state must own the land or lease the land from the federal government for it to qualify for PILT. PILT for transportation wetlands is equal to the greater of \$5.133/acre or 3/4th of one percent of the appraised value.

With no effective date—this bill would be effective August 1, 2018, as a stand-alone bill, or July 1, 2018, if included in the omnibus tax bill.