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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill eliminates the requirement that the Metropolitan Council adopt a separate airport or aviation policy plan and changes references to airport or aviation plans to "transportation plans." The bill also repeals the requirement that the Met Council prepare an annual assessment of air transportation and repeals certain obsolete language relating to airport planning.

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- 1 Comprehensive plan for airports.** Eliminates the requirement that the Metropolitan Council adopt a long-range comprehensive policy plan for airports.
- 2 Transportation plan.** Changes term defined from "aviation policy plan" to "transportation policy plan" to reflect elimination of airport policy plans as separate Met Council long-range policy plans.
- 3 Reference amended.** Changes reference from "aviation policy plan" to "transportation policy plan."
- 4 Reference amended.** Changes reference from airport chapter of development guide to transportation chapter of development guide.
- 5 Reference eliminated.** Eliminates reference to airport portion of the Metropolitan Development Guide.
- 6 Repealer.** Repeals requirement that the Metropolitan Council prepare an annual long-range assessment of air transportation trends and factors that may affect airport development in the metropolitan area. Repeals a provision which prevented the Metropolitan Council from requiring that a local government unit continue a current use, adopt a comprehensive plan

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designation or change zoning to ensure or preserve the availability of land for a new major airport. Repeals obsolete language which required plans, reports and agreements on various dates between 1989 and 1993.

7 **Application clause.** Applies in the seven-county metropolitan area.