A bill for an act

relating to taxation; modifying the state-paid property tax credit for property in bovine tuberculosis management zones; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 273.113, subdivisions 1, 2.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 273.113, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given to them:

(1) "~~proposed~~ bovine tuberculosis modified accredited zone" means the modified accredited zone ~~proposed~~ designated by the Board of Animal Health under section 35.244; ~~and~~

(2) "located within" means that the herd is kept in the area for at least a part of calendar year 2006, 2007~~.~~, or 2008; and

(3) "animal" means cattle, bison, goats, and farmed cervidae.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for property taxes payable in 2010 and thereafter.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 273.113, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Eligibility; amount of credit.** Agricultural and rural vacant land classified under section 273.13, subdivision 23, located within a ~~proposed~~ bovine tuberculosis modified accredited zone is eligible for a property tax credit equal to the ~~property tax~~ greater of: (1) $5 per acre on the ~~parcel~~ first 160 acres of the property where the herd had been located~~, excluding any tax attributable to residential structures.~~; or (2) an amount equal to $5 per acre times five acres times the highest number of animals tested on the

property for bovine tuberculosis in a whole-herd test as reported by the Board of Animal Health in 2006, 2007, or 2008. The amount of the credit cannot exceed the property tax payable on the property where the herd had been located, excluding any tax attributable to residential structures. To begin to qualify for the tax credit, the owner shall file an application with the county by December 1 of the levy year. The credit must be given for each subsequent taxes payable year until the credit terminates under subdivision 4. The assessor shall indicate the amount of the property tax reduction on the property tax statement of each taxpayer receiving a credit under this section. The credit paid pursuant to this section shall be deducted from the tax due on the property as provided in section 273.1393.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for property taxes payable in 2010 and thereafter.