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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 2700

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to transit; appropriating money for transit service.

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

1.4 Section 1. APPROPRIATION; MICROTRANSIT SERVICE.

1.5 (a) \$22,240,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$7,200,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated
1.6 from the general fund to the Metropolitan Council for financial assistance to replacement
1.7 service providers under Minnesota Statutes, section 473.388, to provide for service expansion,
1.8 improvements, vehicle purchases, and capital investments related to demand response transit
1.9 service. The council must not retain any portion of the funds under this appropriation. The
1.10 base is \$7,200,000 for microtransit service assistance.

1.11 (b) Of the amount under paragraph (a) in fiscal year 2024, the council must make grants
1.12 as follows:

1.13 (1) \$2,000,000 to the Suburban Transit Association for mobile software application
1.14 development;

1.15 (2) \$13,240,000 to Minnesota Valley Transit Authority for vehicle, capital, and operating
1.16 costs;

1.17 (3) \$6,800,000 to SouthWest Transit for capital and operating costs; and

1.18 (4) \$200,000 to Maple Grove Transit for vehicle costs.

1.19 (c) Of the amount under paragraph (a) in fiscal year 2025, the council must make grants
1.20 as follows:

1.21 (1) \$4,200,000 to Minnesota Valley Transit Authority for operating costs; and

2.1 (2) \$3,000,000 to SouthWest Transit for operating costs.

2.2 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION; TRANSIT SERVICE.**

2.3 \$22,240,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$7,200,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated  
2.4 from the general fund to the Metropolitan Council for transit system operations under  
2.5 Minnesota Statutes, sections 473.371 to 473.449. \$7,200,000 is added to the base for this  
2.6 activity.