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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 64

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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 transportation; appropriating money for an alternatives analysis of transit
1.3 service in the marked Trunk Highway 55 corridor from Medina to Minneapolis.

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

1.5 Section 1. MARKED TRUNK HIGHWAY 55 HIGHWAY BUS RAPID TRANSIT;
1.6 APPROPRIATION.

1.7 (a) \$..... in fiscal year 2022 is appropriated from the general fund to the Metropolitan
1.8 Council for an alternatives analysis of transit service improvement in the marked Trunk
1.9 Highway 55 corridor from Medina to downtown Minneapolis. At a minimum, the analysis
1.10 must:

1.11 (1) include options for highway bus rapid transit service; and

1.12 (2) specify a locally preferred alternative.

1.13 (b) The council must ensure that the analysis conforms with federal requirements as
1.14 necessary for project eligibility under the New Starts or Small Starts program.

1.15 (c) Following or in conjunction with the alternatives analysis, the appropriation is
1.16 available for project development, including environmental analysis, predesign, design,
1.17 preliminary engineering, and land acquisition. This is a onetime appropriation.