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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 1517

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

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A bill for an act

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relating to capital investment; appropriating money for safety and infrastructure

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improvements in the BNSF Northtown Yard to increase the speed of Northstar

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Commuter Rail travel through the yard; authorizing the sale and issuance of

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state bonds.

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

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Section 1. NORTHTOWN YARD SAFETY AND INFRASTRUCTURE

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IMPROVEMENTS.

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Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** \$650,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds

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fund to the Metropolitan Council for safety and infrastructure improvements in the

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Burlington Northern Santa Fe's Northtown Yard located south of I-694 in Anoka County,

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to allow for a higher speed limit for Northstar Commuter Rail trains travelling through

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the Northtown Yard. This appropriation is not available until the commissioner of

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management and budget determines that at least an equal amount is committed to the

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project from nonstate sources.

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Subd. 2. **Bond sale.** To provide the money appropriated in this section from the

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bond proceeds fund, the commissioner of management and budget shall sell and issue

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bonds of the state in an amount up to \$650,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with

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the effect prescribed by Minnesota Statutes, sections 16A.631 to 16A.675, and by the

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Minnesota Constitution, article XI, sections 4 to 7.

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**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.