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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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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 extending the Northstar

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commuter rail line from Big Lake to St. Cloud; authorizing the sale and issuance

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of state bonds.

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

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Section 1. NORTHSTAR COMMUTER RAIL; BIG LAKE TO ST. CLOUD.

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

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proceeds fund to the commissioner of transportation for environmental analysis, design,

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engineering, negotiations with the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway, and acquisition

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of real property or interests in real property, to extend the Northstar commuter rail line

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from Big Lake to the St. Cloud area.

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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 \$1,000,000 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.