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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 2357

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

A bill for an act

relating to transportation; modifying certain allocation requirements under the corridors of commerce program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 161.088, subdivision 4a.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 161.088, subdivision 4a, is amended to read:

Subd. 4a. **Project funding; regional balance.** ~~(a)~~ To ensure regional balance throughout the state, the commissioner must distribute all available funds under the program in each project selection round according to the following regional allocations:

(1) Metro Projects: at least 25 percent and no more than 27.5 percent of the funds are for projects that are located within, on, or directly adjacent to an area bounded by marked Interstate Highways 494 and 694;

(2) Metro Connector Projects: at least 35 percent and no more than 37.5 percent of the funds are for projects that:

(i) are not included in clause (1); and

(ii) are located wholly or primarily within a greater metropolitan county; and

(3) Regional Center Projects: at least 35 percent and no more than 40 percent of the funds are for projects that are not included in clause (1) or (2).

~~(b) The commissioner must calculate the percentages under paragraph (a) using total funds under the program over the current and prior two consecutive project selection rounds. The calculations must include readiness development projects funded under subdivision 4b.~~

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment and applies to funds awarded on or after that date regardless of the date of a solicitation.

Sec. 2. **CORRIDORS OF COMMERCE; 2022-2023 SOLICITATION.**

From funds identified for the 2022-2023 project selection round for the corridors of commerce program under Minnesota Statutes, section 161.088, the commissioner must award the remaining available funds in a manner that most closely achieves the minimum regional allocations under Minnesota Statutes, section 161.088, subdivision 4a, as calculated using all funds in the project selection round.