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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

1.2 relating to transportation; appropriating money for intercity passenger rail

1.3 projects.

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

1.5 Section 1. **INTERCITY PASSENGER RAIL PROJECTS; APPROPRIATION.**

1.6 \$26,000,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of

1.7 transportation to implement capital improvements and betterments for intercity passenger

1.8 rail projects as identified in the statewide freight and passenger rail plan under Minnesota

1.9 Statutes, section 174.03, subdivision 1b, that are determined to be eligible for United

1.10 States Department of Transportation funding. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a

1.11 portion or phase of an intercity passenger rail project may be accomplished with one or

1.12 more state appropriations and an intercity passenger rail project need not be completed

1.13 with any one appropriation. Capital improvements and betterments include preliminary

1.14 engineering, design, engineering, environmental analysis and mitigation, acquisition of

1.15 land and right-of-way, and construction.