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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Transportation Finance and Policy

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1.1 A bill for an act  
 1.2 relating to transportation; governing light rail transit operating costs; amending  
 1.3 Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 473.4051, subdivision 2.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 473.4051, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 2. **Operating costs.** (a) After operating revenue and federal money have been  
 1.7 used ~~to pay for light rail transit operations~~, 50 percent of the remaining operating costs for  
 1.8 a light rail transit line must be paid by the state: if:

1.9 (1) the light rail transit line is in revenue operations as of the effective date of this section;

1.10 or

1.11 (2) a law is enacted on or after the effective date of this section making an appropriation  
 1.12 that (i) is from state sources, (ii) specifies the light rail transit project, and (iii) is for a portion  
 1.13 of project capital costs.

1.14 (b) For a light rail transit line that does not meet the requirements in paragraph (a), all  
 1.15 operating and ongoing capital maintenance costs must be paid from nonstate sources.

1.16 (c) For purposes of this subdivision, a light rail transit extension that adds additional  
 1.17 stops is a separate project or light rail transit line.

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