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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; modifying eligibility requirements for the corridors of  
 1.3 commerce program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 161.088,  
 1.4 subdivision 4.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 161.088, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 4. **Project eligibility.** (a) The commissioner shall establish eligibility requirements  
 1.8 for projects that can be funded under the program. Eligibility must include:

1.9 (1) consistency with the statewide multimodal transportation plan under section 174.03;

1.10 (2) location of the project (i) within a city, or (ii) on an interregional corridor, ~~for a~~ if  
 1.11 the project is located outside of the Department of Transportation metropolitan district;

1.12 (3) placement into at least one project classification under subdivision 3;

1.13 (4) a maximum length of time, as determined by the commissioner, until commencement  
 1.14 of construction work on the project; and

1.15 (5) for each type of project classification under subdivision 3, a maximum allowable  
 1.16 amount for the total project cost estimate, as determined by the commissioner with available  
 1.17 data.

1.18 (b) A project whose construction is programmed in the state transportation improvement  
 1.19 program is not eligible for funding under the program. This paragraph does not apply to a  
 1.20 project that is programmed as result of selection under this section.

1.21 (c) A project may be, but is not required to be, identified in the 20-year state highway  
 1.22 capital investment plan under section 174.03.