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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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H. F. No. **4461**

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to transportation; designating the Stone Arch Bridge as part of the Great
1.3 River Road; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 161.142, subdivision 7.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 161.142, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 7. **Preservation of adjacent areas.** (a) The commissioner of transportation and
1.7 any political subdivision or public corporation adjacent to the Great River Road or through
1.8 which the Great River Road passes may acquire by purchase, gift or eminent domain
1.9 proceedings as provided by law any lands or properties, or interests in lands and properties,
1.10 lying along the Great River Road as they deem necessary for the purpose of preserving
1.11 areas of natural scenic beauty, views of lake or riverside areas, historic sites, and such lands
1.12 as they deem necessary for the purpose of providing recreational and rest areas and facilities
1.13 in connection therewith including camping and overnight facilities. They may enter into
1.14 agreements with property owners along the Great River Road providing for restrictions on
1.15 land uses along such road and providing for compensation therefor. Such agreements may
1.16 provide that the lands or properties may continue to be used for agricultural, horticultural,
1.17 forest, grazing, residential, or other purposes not inconsistent with parkway principles and
1.18 standards approved by the federal government and the Mississippi River Parkway
1.19 Commission.

1.20 (b) The James J. Hill Stone Arch Bridge in Minneapolis is adjacent to the Great River
1.21 Road and may be preserved as provided by this subdivision.