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1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to transportation; defining operating costs for purposes of the state share  
1.3 of light rail operating costs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2017 Supplement, section  
1.4 473.4051, subdivision 2.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2017 Supplement, section 473.4051, subdivision 2, is  
1.7 amended to read:

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

1.11 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), all operating and ongoing capital maintenance costs  
1.12 must be paid from nonstate sources for a segment of a light rail transit line or line extension  
1.13 project that formally entered the engineering phase of the Federal Transit Administration's  
1.14 "New Starts" capital investment grant program between August 1, 2016, and December 31,  
1.15 2016.

1.16 (c) For purposes of this subdivision, operating costs consist of the costs associated with  
1.17 light rail system daily operations and the maintenance costs associated with keeping light  
1.18 rail services and facilities operating. Operating costs do not include costs incurred to enhance  
1.19 or expand the existing system, construct new buildings or facilities, purchase new vehicles,  
1.20 or make technology improvements.