

16A.88 TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FUND.

Subdivision 1. **Transit assistance fund established.** A transit assistance fund is established within the state treasury. The fund receives money distributed under section 297B.09, subdivision 1, and other money as specified by law. Money in the fund must be allocated to the greater Minnesota transit account under subdivision 1a and the metropolitan area transit account under subdivision 2 in the manner specified in section 297B.09, subdivision 1, and must be used solely for transit purposes under the Minnesota Constitution, article XIV, section 13.

Subd. 1a. **Greater Minnesota transit account.** The greater Minnesota transit account is established within the transit assistance fund in the state treasury. Money in the account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of transportation for assistance to transit systems outside the metropolitan area under section 174.24. The commissioner may use up to two percent of the available revenues in the account in each fiscal year for administration of the transit program. The commissioner must use the account for transit operations as provided in section 174.24 and related program administration. The commissioner may maintain a reserved balance in the account of no more than five percent of the total annual transit assistance fund balance forward from the previous fiscal year.

Subd. 2. **Metropolitan area transit account.** The metropolitan area transit account is established within the transit assistance fund in the state treasury. All money in the account is annually appropriated to the Metropolitan Council for the funding of transit systems within the metropolitan area under sections 473.384, 473.386, 473.387, 473.388, and 473.405 to 473.449.

Subd. 3. [Repealed by amendment, 2007 c 143 art 2 s 1]

History: *1Sp2001 c 5 art 3 s 2; 2002 c 220 art 7 s 7; 1Sp2003 c 19 art 2 s 2; 2007 c 143 art 2 s 1; 1Sp2021 c 5 art 4 s 2; 1Sp2025 c 8 art 2 s 5*