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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 14

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to transit; establishing a temporary moratorium on certain light rail transit
1.3 expenditures.

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

1.5 Section 1. **LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT PROJECTS; TEMPORARY MORATORIUM.**

1.6 **Subdivision 1. Prohibition.** (a) The Metropolitan Council must not expend any funds
1.7 for project development activities on light rail transit capital projects. The prohibition in
1.8 this section includes but is not limited to planning, analysis, predesign, design, engineering,
1.9 environmental analysis, land acquisition, and construction.

1.10 (b) The prohibition in this section does not apply to:

1.11 (1) the Southwest light rail transit (Green Line Extension) project; and
1.12 (2) payments to contractors for work performed prior to the effective date of this section.

1.13 **Subd. 2. Expiration.** This section expires on the date that the Southwest light rail transit
1.14 (Green Line Extension) project commences revenue operation. The Metropolitan Council
1.15 must submit a notification of the date to the revisor of statutes and to the chairs and ranking
1.16 minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy
1.17 and finance.

1.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
1.19 final enactment and applies to the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
1.20 Scott, and Washington.