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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 1674

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to mass transit; requiring a facilitated conversation between the
1.3 Metropolitan Council and the Calhoun Isles Condominium Association; requiring
1.4 the Metropolitan Council to conduct a vibration susceptibility study; requiring the
1.5 Metropolitan Council to reimburse the Calhoun Isles Condominium Association
1.6 for certain costs.

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

1.8 Section 1. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL AND CALHOUN ISLES CONDOMINIUM
1.9 ASSOCIATION FACILITATED MEETING.

1.10 The Office of Collaboration and Dispute Resolution must facilitate a meeting or series
1.11 of meetings with the Metropolitan Council and the Calhoun Isles Condominium Association
1.12 to discuss issues related to vibration impacts to the Calhoun Isles property in Minneapolis,
1.13 including the high-rise building, townhomes, and parking ramp, due to Southwest light rail
1.14 transit project construction activities and operations. The council and the association must
1.15 both be allowed to present any evidence or research on the issue. The goal of the meeting
1.16 is to agree on how to avoid damage to the buildings due to the vibrations from the project.

1.17 Sec. 2. VIBRATION SUSCEPTIBILITY STUDY ON CALHOUN ISLES
1.18 PROPERTY.

1.19 (a) Within 21 days from the effective date of this act, the Metropolitan Council must
1.20 enter into a contract with an engineering group for the engineering group to conduct a
1.21 vibration susceptibility study on Calhoun Isles property in Minneapolis, including the
1.22 high-rise building, townhomes, and parking ramp. The study must:

2.1 (1) evaluate the susceptibility of the Calhoun Isles property to vibration during operations
2.2 of a light rail train;

2.3 (2) categorize the Calhoun Isles property based on the susceptibility evaluation; and

2.4 (3) address mitigation measures and operational changes required to protect the Calhoun
2.5 Isles property from vibratory damage.

2.6 (b) The selected engineering group must provide its research, testing, findings, and all
2.7 other work product to the Calhoun Isles Condominium Association. The Metropolitan
2.8 Council must pay for the study.

2.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
2.10 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
2.11 Scott, and Washington.

2.12 Sec. 3. **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL REIMBURSEMENT TO CALHOUN ISLES**
2.13 **CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION.**

2.14 By July 1, 2019, the Metropolitan Council must pay \$250,000 to the Calhoun Isles
2.15 Condominium Association in Minneapolis for reimbursement of the association's engineering
2.16 and legal costs. The Metropolitan Council must absorb the cost of the payment within
2.17 existing project resources for the Southwest light rail transit project.