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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **489**

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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 elections; providing free public transit on election day.

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

1.4 Section 1. **TRANSIT SERVICE ON ELECTION DAY.**

1.5 Subdivision 1. **Operating assistance recipients.** An eligible recipient of operating  
1.6 assistance under Minnesota Statutes, section 174.24, who contracts or has contracted to  
1.7 provide fixed route public transit shall provide fixed route public transit service free of  
1.8 charge on a day a state general election is held.

1.9 Subd. 2. **Metropolitan Council.** (a) The Metropolitan Council shall provide regular  
1.10 route transit, as defined under Minnesota Statutes, section 473.385, subdivision 1, paragraph  
1.11 (b), free of charge on a day a state general election is held.

1.12 (b) The requirements under this subdivision apply to operators of regular route transit  
1.13 (1) receiving financial assistance under Minnesota Statutes, section 473.388, or (2) operating  
1.14 under Minnesota Statutes, section 473.405, subdivision 12.

1.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2020.