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04/07/2016		Introduction and first reading Referred to Transportation and Public Safety

1.1 A bill for an act
 1.2 relating to transportation; establishing certain safety zone requirements governing
 1.3 rail service colocation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 473.3994, by
 1.4 adding a subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 473.3994, is amended by adding a
 1.7 subdivision to read:

1.8 Subd. 5a. **Colocation requirements.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision, "adequate
 1.9 safety zone" means territory that:

1.10 (1) consists of railroad or public right-of-way for at least 50 feet from each side of
 1.11 the centerline of railroad track, as measured perpendicular to the track; and

1.12 (2) other than railroad or light rail transit facilities, is not occupied by dwellings,
 1.13 buildings, or bikeways, as defined in section 169.011, subdivision 9.

1.14 (b) A responsible authority is prohibited from constructing a light rail transit facility
 1.15 that collocates light rail transit service with freight rail service, whether using the same rail
 1.16 track or operating in the same right-of-way, unless the project provides an adequate safety
 1.17 zone for any segment of track in which service is collocated.

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