

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 246 as follows:

1.2 Page 1, after line 5, insert:

1.3 "Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 174.88, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.4 to read:

1.5 Subd. 3. **Prior agreement.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision:

1.6 (1) "agreement" includes but is not limited to a contract, working arrangement,
1.7 memorandum of understanding, or other written statement of intent; and

1.8 (2) "commuter rail line" includes but is not limited to planning, project development,
1.9 design, engineering, environmental analysis and mitigation, property acquisition,
1.10 construction, rolling stock and equipment acquisition, operations, and capital maintenance.

1.11 (b) The state and any political subdivision must not expend any public sources of funds
1.12 for a commuter rail line unless the commissioner has entered into a commuter rail line
1.13 agreement with each railroad that has ownership or operating rights on the rail track where
1.14 the line is proposed to be located.

1.15 (c) This section does not prohibit (1) study, corridor analysis, or feasibility analysis, or
1.16 (2) preliminary analysis and predesign specifically necessary for agreement development
1.17 or negotiations in order to meet the requirements under paragraph (b).

1.18 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 398A.10, is amended by adding a subdivision to
1.19 read:

1.20 Subd. 5. **Prior agreement.** A regional railroad authority is subject to the requirements
1.21 under section 174.88, subdivision 3.

2.1 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.4057, is amended by adding a subdivision
2.2 to read:

2.3 Subd. 10. **Prior agreement.** The council is subject to the requirements under section
2.4 174.88, subdivision 3."

2.5 Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

2.6 Amend the title accordingly