

1.1 ..... moves to amend H.F. No. 1947 as follows:

1.2 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL TO FARGO-MOORHEAD RAIL  
1.4 CORRIDOR IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.

1.5 Subdivision 1. **Implementation plan.** (a) The commissioner must enter into an agreement  
1.6 with a qualified independent entity to develop a rail corridor implementation plan for rail  
1.7 service improvements in the corridor from Minneapolis and St. Paul to Fargo and Moorhead.

1.8 (b) At a minimum, the implementation plan must:

1.9 (1) identify, analyze, and evaluate options to expand rail service in the corridor, including  
1.10 but not limited to:

1.11 (i) passenger rail, commuter rail, or both;

1.12 (ii) extension or expansion of rail service to St. Cloud;

1.13 (iii) extension of the current Amtrak train service between Minneapolis and St. Paul and  
1.14 Chicago; and

1.15 (iv) modification to rail service administration, which may include jurisdictional transfers  
1.16 and contracting for service;

1.17 (2) select a preferred alternative from among the evaluated options, in consultation with  
1.18 the commissioner, the Metropolitan Council, and local stakeholders;

1.19 (3) include consideration of project barriers and risks;

1.20 (4) determine cost estimates for full implementation, including any capital improvements,  
1.21 operations, and rolling stock and equipment; and

1.22 (5) establish a project schedule with development milestones.

2.1 (c) The implementation plan must be completed by January 15, 2024.

2.2 Subd. 2. **Legislative report.** By February 1, 2024, the commissioner of transportation  
2.3 must submit a report on the rail corridor implementation plan to chairs and ranking minority  
2.4 members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and  
2.5 finance. At a minimum, the report must:

2.6 (1) provide a summary of the implementation plan;

2.7 (2) identify the process for full implementation of the plan;

2.8 (3) review project finances, including cost estimates, anticipated sources and uses of  
2.9 funds, and a funding request; and

2.10 (4) provide recommendations for legislative changes, if any.

2.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

2.12 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION; RAIL CORRIDOR IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.**

2.13 \$...... in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of  
2.14 transportation for the rail corridor implementation plan and report under section 1. This  
2.15 appropriation is available for project development activities in conjunction with the rail  
2.16 corridor implementation plan, including but not limited to planning, predesign, preliminary  
2.17 engineering, and environmental analysis, and is available until June 30, 2025.

2.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment."

2.19 Amend the title accordingly