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This bill removes limitations on Twin Cities metropolitan area communities being eligible to receive transit funds from the Metropolitan Council, and makes technical changes. In effect, the change authorizes the council to provide financial assistance to cities and towns (or combinations) that opt out of Metro Transit service in order to provide transit service independently.

To be eligible for financial assistance, a community:

- must be located within the transit taxing district;
- must not be served by Metro Transit bus service that both begins and ends within that community; and
- must have fewer than four Metropolitan Council bus runs during off-peak hours.