

# HOUSE RESEARCH

## Bill Summary

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This bill requires a number of projects along segments of U.S. Highway 14 to be added to the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) 20-year plan for highway projects and investment priorities. It prevents delay of the projects from their initial scheduled commencement unless there is legislative notification of unforeseen circumstances. The projects consist of:

- Expansion to a four-lane divided highway from roughly Owatonna to Dodge Center;
- Expansion to a four-lane divided highway from New Ulm to North Mankato; and
- Reconstruction of interchanges (as opposed to at-grade intersections) at three points along the highway.

The provision would have the effect of requiring the projects to be undertaken within approximately the next ten years (assuming no unforeseen circumstances and no change to the planning periods of the 20-year investment plan).