

Subject Passenger rail
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Summary

This bill funds passenger rail project development through two appropriations to the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT):

- \$15 million from general obligation bond proceeds for phase I corridors identified in the latest update to the State Rail Plan developed by MnDOT (including Northern Lights Express between the Twin Cities metropolitan area and Duluth; additional Amtrak service from the Twin Cities to Milwaukee and Chicago; and extension of Northstar Commuter Rail to St. Cloud); and
- \$500,000 from the general fund in fiscal year 2020 for study and alternatives analysis of rail service between the Twin Cities metropolitan area, Northfield, and Albert Lea.