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Introduction and first reading
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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to mass transit; appropriating money for the suburb-to-suburb transit
1.3 demonstration project.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **SUBURB-TO-SUBURB TRANSIT DEMONSTRATION PROJECT;**
1.6 **APPROPRIATION.**

1.7 (a) \$4,500,000 in fiscal year 2018 is appropriated from the general fund to the
1.8 Metropolitan Council for financial assistance to replacement service providers under
1.9 Minnesota Statutes, section 473.388, for the purposes of the suburb-to-suburb transit
1.10 demonstration project authorized under Laws 2015, chapter 75, article 1, section 4.

1.11 (b) The replacement service providers must collectively identify one or more
1.12 demonstration projects for financial assistance and submit a notification of the allocation
1.13 to the council. The council must allocate the appropriated funds as directed by the
1.14 replacement service providers. Criteria for evaluating and identifying demonstration projects
1.15 must include but are not limited to: (1) scope of service offering improvements; (2)
1.16 integration with transit facilities and major business, retail, or suburban centers; (3) extent
1.17 to which a proposed route complements existing transit service; and (4) density of
1.18 employment along a proposed route.

1.19 (c) The council must not retain any portion of funds appropriated under this section.