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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to transportation; appropriating money for technical analysis of extension
1.3 of commuter rail service to Rice.

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

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION FOR TECHNICAL ANALYSIS OF EXTENSION**
1.6 **OF COMMUTER RAIL SERVICE.**

1.7 \$750,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of transportation
1.8 for a grant to the Northstar Corridor Development Authority to fund advanced preliminary
1.9 engineering, updated environmental documentation, property appraisals, and negotiations
1.10 with the railroad to extend commuter rail service on the Burlington Northern Santa Fe
1.11 rail line between Big Lake and Rice. This appropriation is available until spent and does
1.12 not lapse.