

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to county regional railroad authorities; providing that certain costs for  
1.3 rail transit projects are not to be funded by county regional railroad authorities;  
1.4 proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 398A.

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

1.6 Section 1. **[398A.10] TRANSIT FUNDING.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Capital costs.** A county regional railroad authority may not  
1.8 contribute more than ten percent of the capital costs on a transit project. For purposes of  
1.9 this section, "transit project" includes, but is not limited to, light rail transit (LRT), bus,  
1.10 bus rapid transit (BRT), and commuter rail.

1.11 Subd. 2. **Operating and maintenance costs.** A county regional railroad authority  
1.12 may not contribute any funds to pay the operating and maintenance costs for a transit  
1.13 project, as defined in subdivision 1. If a county regional railroad authority is contributing  
1.14 funds for operating and maintenance costs on a transit project on the date of the enactment  
1.15 of this act, the authority may continue to contribute funds for these purposes until January  
1.16 1, 2009.

1.17 Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

1.18 Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment.