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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 3512

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The bill was referred to the Committee on Agriculture Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to agriculture; requiring a Minnesota State Fair transportation plan;
1.3 appropriating money.

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

1.5 Section 1. MINNESOTA STATE FAIR TRANSPORTATION PLANNING.

1.6 (a) By August 1, 2024, the board of managers of the State Agricultural Society, in
1.7 consultation with the Metropolitan Council, must develop a multimodal Minnesota State
1.8 Fair transportation plan for implementation at the 2024 Minnesota State Fair and must
1.9 submit a copy of the plan to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative
1.10 committees with jurisdiction over agriculture and transportation policy and finance.

1.11 (b) At a minimum, the plan must:

1.12 (1) determine methods to reduce motor vehicle traffic, congestion, and parking in the
1.13 area of the Minnesota State Fairgrounds;

1.14 (2) identify improvements to the transportation experience for attendees at the Minnesota
1.15 State Fair;

1.16 (3) provide for a transit service level increase of at least 100 percent over the service
1.17 level at the 2023 Minnesota State Fair, including but not limited to park-and-ride locations
1.18 and service, express bus service, bus rapid transit, and regular route bus service;

1.19 (4) expand bicycle access and secure storage, including at park-and-ride locations;

1.20 (5) improve support for ride hailing and transportation network companies; and

1.21 (6) specify public distribution of information on transportation options and services.

2.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

2.2 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION; MINNESOTA STATE FAIR TRANSPORTATION**
2.3 **PLAN.**

2.4 \$..... in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the general fund to the Metropolitan
2.5 Council for the development and implementation of the multimodal Minnesota State Fair
2.6 transportation plan under section 1. From this amount, the council may make one or more
2.7 grants to the board of managers of the State Agricultural Society. This appropriation is
2.8 available until December 31, 2024.

2.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.