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Authorises \$10 million in general obligation bonds and appropriates the proceeds to the Department of Transportation for a grant to a local government for design and construction of a personal rapid transit safety certification and training facility. Requires the project to have a minimum 2,200-foot oval guideway, one off-line station, and a maintenance and control center. Requires the facility to be developed in accord with plans for a future PRT system serving the local government's jurisdiction. Requires the award to be based on:

- local commitment of at least \$6 million in nonstate funds
- agreement by the local government with a postsecondary institution that the institution will provide technical support and training for the system
- local commitment of at least \$8 million in private funding from a Minnesota-based entity capable of providing at least 3 PRT vehicles, training for 4 engineers, engineering work, and 6 months of operation testing
- agreement by a local transit provider to cooperate with the local government to plan for PRT services available to the public

Specifies that the project is to demonstrate personal rapid transit technology.