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Overview

In 2002, Hennepin County was given authority to use a design-build method of project delivery for the Northwest Busway and Lowry Avenue bridge projects. Under current law, that authority expires at the end of this year. This bill modifies provisions of Hennepin County's authority and repeals the limitation of its use to the named projects and makes the law permanent.

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- 1** **Definitions.** Changes "designer selection committee" to "design-build selection panel." Adds definition of "primary designer."
- 2** **Restriction.** Strikes the provision stating the purpose of the temporary design-build authority for the county was to evaluate its effectiveness. Limits the number of design-build contracts in a year to no more than 10 percent of the county's total projects for that year.
- 3** **Procedures.** Clarifies that the safeguards to preserve confidential information and proprietary information supplied by those submitting proposals only applies during the procurement process and is governed by the government data practices act.
- 4** **Contents.** Adds a requirement that the request for qualifications (RFQ) require that the primary designer be designated in the response to the RFQ.
- 5** **Evaluation.** Technical, to match definition change in section 1.
- 6** **Design-build award.** Technical, to match definition change in section 1.
- 7** **Repealer.** Repeals the expiration of the county's design build authority. Section 383B.1586 reads: "Sections 383B.158 to 383B.1586 expire December 31, 2007, and apply only to design-build contracts entered into on or before January 1, 2008, for the Northwest Busway

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and the Lowry Avenue Bridge."