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This bill repeals a 2002 law that bans the Minnesota Department of Transportation, the Metropolitan Council, and county regional railroad authorities from expending funds for study, planning, engineering, and construction activities for the Dan Patch commuter rail line. The 2002 law also prevents future revisions to planning documents from including the line.

The potential rail corridor runs from Northfield to downtown Minneapolis.