

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 309 as follows:

1.2 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. **[161.395] TRUNK HIGHWAY EXPEDITED CONGESTION RELIEF.**

1.4 (a) The commissioner shall establish a trunk highway expedited congestion relief
1.5 program as provided in this section, upon an appropriation made in law specifically for the
1.6 program. The program is solely for funding trunk highway construction and improvement
1.7 projects.

1.8 (b) Projects funded under the program must:

1.9 (1) primarily address segments of trunk highway that have:

1.10 (i) moderate or severe traffic congestion; and

1.11 (ii) moderate or high traffic volume;

1.12 (2) contain a timeline that provides for project completion in an expeditious manner;

1.13 (3) measurably decrease traffic congestion;

1.14 (4) add capacity to the trunk highway system, which may include but is not limited
1.15 to a general purpose lane, dynamic shoulder lane, or auxiliary lane; and

1.16 (5) be located in the department's metropolitan transportation district.

1.17 (c) The commissioner shall design and implement a project selection process to
1.18 distribute funds under the program. The process must include specification of eligibility
1.19 and prioritizing criteria, consistent with the requirements of paragraph (b).

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

1.21 Sec. 2. **TRUNK HIGHWAY BONDS; APPROPRIATION AND BOND SALE**
1.22 **AUTHORIZATION.**

1.23 Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** \$20,000,000 is appropriated from the bond proceeds
1.24 account in the trunk highway fund to the commissioner of transportation, for the trunk
1.25 highway expedited congestion relief program under Minnesota Statutes, section 161.395.

