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Overview

This bill creates a new state-aid program for fracture critical bridges, and authorizes \$80 million in general obligation bonds for local roads and bridges.

Section

- 1** **Fracture-critical bridges.** Establishes a grant program for the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), for replacement or rehabilitation of fracture-critical bridges on a local road system. The funds can only go to a project that results in a bridge that is no longer fracture-critical. Specifies requirements for review of projects and prioritization of grants.
- 2** **Appropriations; local roads and bridges.** Authorizes \$80 million in general obligation bonds, and appropriates it to MnDOT for local road and bridge programs. Of the funds:
 - \$30 million is for the rural road safety program;
 - \$30 million is for local roads of regional significance program; and
 - \$20 million is for local bridge replacement and rehabilitation under the grant programs for fracture-critical bridges and preliminary engineering of a river crossing.