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1.1 A bill for an act
 1.2 relating to capital investment; clarifying that the Minnesota Valley Railroad
 1.3 Track Rehabilitation appropriations may be used to rehabilitate bridges as an
 1.4 allowable use; amending Laws 2008, chapter 179, section 16, subdivision 5;
 1.5 Laws 2009, chapter 93, article 1, section 11, subdivision 4; Laws 2010, chapter
 1.6 189, section 15, subdivision 5.

1.7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.8 Section 1. Laws 2008, chapter 179, section 16, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

1.9 Subd. 5. **Minnesota Valley Railroad Track**
 1.10 **Rehabilitation** 3,000,000

1.11 For a grant to the Minnesota Valley Regional
 1.12 Rail Authority to rehabilitate a portion
 1.13 of railroad track from Norwood-Young
 1.14 America to Hanley Falls. A grant under
 1.15 this subdivision is in addition to any grant,
 1.16 loan, or loan guarantee for this project
 1.17 made by the commissioner under Minnesota
 1.18 Statutes, sections 222.46 to 222.62. The
 1.19 grant under this subdivision may also be
 1.20 used for predesign, design, engineering,
 1.21 and rehabilitation or replacement of bridges
 1.22 with new bridges or culverts between
 1.23 Norwood-Young America and Hanley Falls.
 1.24 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
 1.25 16A.642, the bond sale authorization for this

2.1 project and appropriation of bond proceeds in
 2.2 this subdivision are available until December
 2.3 31, 2015.

2.4 Sec. 2. Laws 2009, chapter 93, article 1, section 11, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

2.5 Subd. 4. **Minnesota Valley Railroad Track**
 2.6 **Rehabilitation** 4,000,000

2.7 For a grant to the Minnesota Valley Regional
 2.8 Railroad Authority to rehabilitate up to 95
 2.9 miles of railroad track from Norwood-Young
 2.10 America to Hanley Falls. A grant under
 2.11 this subdivision is in addition to any grant,
 2.12 loan, or loan guarantee for this project
 2.13 made by the commissioner under Minnesota
 2.14 Statutes, sections 222.46 to 222.62. The
 2.15 grant under this subdivision may also be
 2.16 used for predesign, design, engineering,
 2.17 and rehabilitation or replacement of bridges
 2.18 with new bridges or culverts between
 2.19 Norwood-Young America and Hanley Falls.
 2.20 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
 2.21 16A.642, the bond sale authorization for this
 2.22 project and appropriation of bond proceeds in
 2.23 this subdivision are available until December
 2.24 31, 2015.

2.25 Sec. 3. Laws 2010, chapter 189, section 15, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

2.26 Subd. 5. **Minnesota Valley Railroad Track**
 2.27 **Rehabilitation** 5,000,000

2.28 For a grant to the Minnesota Valley Regional
 2.29 Rail Authority to rehabilitate and make
 2.30 capital improvements to railroad track from
 2.31 east of Gaylord to Winthrop. A grant under
 2.32 this subdivision is in addition to any grant,
 2.33 loan, or loan guarantee for this project
 2.34 made by the commissioner under Minnesota

3.1 Statutes, sections 222.46 to 222.62. The
3.2 grant under this subdivision may also be
3.3 used for predesign, design, engineering,
3.4 and rehabilitation or replacement of bridges
3.5 with new bridges or culverts between
3.6 Gaylord and Winthrop. Notwithstanding
3.7 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.642, the
3.8 bond sale authorization for this project
3.9 and appropriation of bond proceeds in this
3.10 subdivision are available until December 31,
3.11 2015.

3.12 Sec. 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

3.13 This act is effective the day following final enactment.