



S.F. No. 2148 – Washington Avenue Pedestrian Bridge suicide prevention barriers funding allocation

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S.F. 2148 modifies the allocation of proceeds from the regional transportation sales and use tax to fund suicide prevention barriers on the Washington Avenue Pedestrian Bridge on the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities campus.

The Metropolitan Council must award a grant of \$15,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 to the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota, and requires the Board, in designing and constructing the pedestrian enclosure and suicide barriers on the bridge, to consult with persons affected by suicide at the bridge, suicide prevention organizations, and experts in field of suicide prevention. This appropriation is not subject to the Active Transportation Advisory Board eligibility and prioritization requirements.

