

**SENATE**  
**STATE OF MINNESOTA**  
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**S.F. No. 3157**

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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
03/27/2023	2726	Introduction and first reading Referred to Transportation
04/11/2023	3918a	Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Taxes
04/14/2023		Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Finance

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to transportation; establishing a budget for transportation; appropriating

1.3 money for transportation purposes, including Department of Transportation,

1.4 Metropolitan Council, and Department of Public Safety activities; authorizing the

1.5 sale and issuance of state bonds; modifying various provisions governing

1.6 transportation finance, including vehicle registration, drivers' licenses, and the

1.7 motor vehicle sales tax; authorizing the Metropolitan Council to impose a

1.8 metropolitan region sales tax for roads, transit, and active transportation projects;

1.9 amending various provisions relating to transportation, motor vehicles, drivers,

1.10 driver's education, bicycle safety, traffic safety, transit safety, license plates, rail

1.11 safety, and the Metropolitan Council; requiring reports and studies; creating an

1.12 advisory council; establishing a Metropolitan Council governance commission;

1.13 making technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 3.9741,

1.14 subdivision 5; 13.69, subdivision 1; 13.6905, by adding a subdivision; 115E.042,

1.15 subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6; 123B.90, subdivision 2; 151.37, subdivision 12; 160.262,

1.16 subdivision 3; 160.266, subdivisions 1b, 6, by adding a subdivision; 161.045,

1.17 subdivision 3; 161.088, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 5, by adding subdivisions; 161.45,

1.18 subdivisions 1, 2; 161.46, subdivision 2; 161.53; 162.145, subdivisions 2, 3, 4;

1.19 168.002, by adding a subdivision; 168.013, subdivisions 1a, 8; 168.1293,

1.20 subdivision 7; 168.1295, subdivision 5; 168.1296, subdivision 5; 168.1298,

1.21 subdivision 5; 168.27, subdivisions 11, 31; 168.326; 168.327, subdivisions 1, 2,

1.22 3, 5b, by adding a subdivision; 168.33, subdivision 7; 168.345, subdivision 2;

1.23 168.381, subdivision 4; 168A.152, subdivision 2; 168A.29, subdivision 1; 168A.31,

1.24 subdivision 2; 168D.06; 168D.07; 169.011, subdivision 27; 169.09, subdivision

1.25 13, by adding a subdivision; 169.14, by adding a subdivision; 169.18, subdivisions

1.26 3, 11; 169.222, subdivision 4, by adding a subdivision; 169.345, subdivision 2;

1.27 169.475, subdivisions 2, 3; 169A.60, subdivision 16; 171.01, by adding a

1.28 subdivision; 171.042; 171.05, subdivision 2; 171.06, subdivisions 2, 3, as amended,

1.29 by adding a subdivision; 171.061, subdivision 4; 171.07, subdivisions 11, 15;

1.30 171.0705, by adding a subdivision; 171.12, subdivision 1a; 171.13, subdivisions

1.31 1, 1a, 7; 171.26; 171.29, subdivision 2; 171.36; 174.01, by adding a subdivision;

1.32 174.03, subdivision 1c; 174.38, subdivisions 3, 6; 219.015, subdivision 2; 219.1651;

1.33 222.37, subdivision 1; 297A.64, subdivisions 1, 2; 297A.94; 297A.99, subdivision

1.34 1; 297B.02, subdivision 1; 297B.09; 299A.01, by adding a subdivision; 299A.55;

1.35 299A.705, subdivisions 1, 3, by adding a subdivision; 357.021, subdivisions 6, 7;

1.36 360.915, subdivision 6; 473.146, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 473.3994,

1.37 subdivisions 1a, 4, 7, 9, 14; 473.3995; 473.3997; 473.405, subdivision 4; 473.859,

1.38 by adding a subdivision; 609.855, subdivisions 1, 3, 7, by adding a subdivision;

2.1 Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 6, article 3, section 103; Laws 2018,  
 2.2 chapter 214, article 1, section 16, subdivision 11, as amended; Laws 2021, First  
 2.3 Special Session chapter 5, article 1, sections 2, subdivision 2; 4, subdivision 5;  
 2.4 article 4, section 143; Laws 2022, chapter 39, section 2; proposing coding for new  
 2.5 law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 4; 123B; 160; 161; 162; 168; 169; 171; 174;  
 2.6 219; 290; 297A; 299A; 473; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 167.45;  
 2.7 168.121, subdivision 5; 168.1282, subdivision 5; 168.1294, subdivision 5; 168.1299,  
 2.8 subdivision 4; 168B.15; 169.829, subdivision 2; 299A.705, subdivision 2; 360.915,  
 2.9 subdivision 5; Minnesota Rules, parts 7411.0530; 7411.0535.

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

2.11 **ARTICLE 1**

2.12 **TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS**

2.13 Section 1. **TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS.**

2.14 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies  
 2.15 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the trunk highway  
 2.16 fund, or another named fund, and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose.  
 2.17 Amounts for "Total Appropriation" and sums shown in the corresponding columns marked  
 2.18 "Appropriations by Fund" are summary only and do not have legal effect. Unless specified  
 2.19 otherwise, the amounts in fiscal year 2025 under "Appropriations by Fund" show the base  
 2.20 within the meaning of Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.11, subdivision 3, by fund. The  
 2.21 figures "2024" and "2025" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under them  
 2.22 are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, or June 30, 2025, respectively. "Each  
 2.23 year" is each of fiscal years 2024 and 2025. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2024 and 2025.  
 2.24 "C.S.A.H." is the county state-aid highway fund. "M.S.A.S." is the municipal state-aid street  
 2.25 fund. "H.U.T.D." is the highway user tax distribution fund. "Staff" means those employees  
 2.26 who are identified in any of the following roles for the legislative committees: committee  
 2.27 administrator, committee legislative assistant, caucus research, fiscal analysis, counsel, or  
 2.28 nonpartisan research.

2.29 **APPROPRIATIONS**  
 2.30 **Available for the Year**  
 2.31 **Ending June 30**  
 2.32 **2024                      2025**

2.33 **Sec. 2. DEPARTMENT OF**  
 2.34 **TRANSPORTATION**

2.35	<b><u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 4,217,372,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 3,831,439,000</u></b>
2.36	<b><u>Appropriations by Fund</u></b>		
2.37		<b><u>2024</u></b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>
2.38	<b><u>General</u></b>	<b><u>547,033,000</u></b>	<b><u>44,308,000</u></b>
2.39	<b><u>Airports</u></b>	<b><u>40,368,000</u></b>	<b><u>25,368,000</u></b>

3.1	<u>C.S.A.H.</u>	<u>966,020,000</u>	<u>1,064,766,000</u>
3.2	<u>M.S.A.S.</u>	<u>248,838,000</u>	<u>278,852,000</u>
3.3	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>2,415,113,000</u>	<u>2,418,145,000</u>

3.4 The appropriations in this section are to the  
 3.5 commissioner of transportation.

3.6 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 3.7 purpose are specified in the following  
 3.8 subdivisions.

3.9 **Subd. 2. Multimodal Systems**

3.10 **(a) Aeronautics**

3.11 **(1) Airport Development and Assistance** 59,598,000 18,598,000

3.12 Appropriations by Fund

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
3.13 <u>General</u>	<u>26,000,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
3.14 <u>Airports</u>	<u>33,598,000</u>	<u>18,598,000</u>

3.16 This appropriation is from the state airports  
 3.17 fund and must be spent according to  
 3.18 Minnesota Statutes, section 360.305,  
 3.19 subdivision 4.

3.20 \$15,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
 3.21 state airports fund for significantly delayed  
 3.22 system maintenance of critical airport safety  
 3.23 systems, equipment, and essential airfield  
 3.24 technology.

3.25 \$26,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
 3.26 general fund for matching federal aid, related  
 3.27 state investments, and appropriate costs  
 3.28 incurred by the department to carry out the  
 3.29 provisions of this section. This is a onetime  
 3.30 appropriation and is available until June 30,  
 3.31 2027.

3.32 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section  
 3.33 16A.28, subdivision 6, this appropriation is

4.1 available for five years after the year of the  
 4.2 appropriation. If the appropriation for either  
 4.3 year is insufficient, the appropriation for the  
 4.4 other year is available for it.

4.5 If the commissioner of transportation  
 4.6 determines that a balance remains in the state  
 4.7 airports fund following the appropriations  
 4.8 made in this article and that the appropriations  
 4.9 made are insufficient for advancing airport  
 4.10 development and assistance projects, an  
 4.11 amount necessary to advance the projects, not  
 4.12 to exceed the balance in the state airports fund,  
 4.13 is appropriated in each year to the  
 4.14 commissioner and must be spent according to  
 4.15 Minnesota Statutes, section 360.305,  
 4.16 subdivision 4. Within two weeks of a  
 4.17 determination under this contingent  
 4.18 appropriation, the commissioner of  
 4.19 transportation must notify the commissioner  
 4.20 of management and budget and the chairs,  
 4.21 ranking minority members, and staff of the  
 4.22 legislative committees with jurisdiction over  
 4.23 transportation finance concerning the funds  
 4.24 appropriated. Funds appropriated under this  
 4.25 contingent appropriation do not adjust the base  
 4.26 for fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

4.27 **(2) Aviation Support Services** 15,397,000 8,431,000

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
4.29 <u>General</u>	<u>8,707,000</u>	<u>1,741,000</u>
4.31 <u>Airports</u>	<u>6,690,000</u>	<u>6,690,000</u>

4.32 \$7,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
 4.33 general fund to purchase two utility aircraft  
 4.34 for the Department of Transportation.

4.35 **(3) Civil Air Patrol** 80,000 80,000

5.1 This appropriation is from the state airports  
 5.2 fund for the Civil Air Patrol.

5.3 **(b) Transit and Active Transportation** 86,278,000 18,324,000

5.4 This appropriation is from the general fund.  
 5.5 \$68,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
 5.6 general fund for matching federal aid, related  
 5.7 state investments, and appropriate costs  
 5.8 incurred by the department to carry out the  
 5.9 provisions of this section. This is a onetime  
 5.10 appropriation and is available until June 30,  
 5.11 2027.

5.12 **(c) Safe Routes to School** 10,500,000 10,500,000

5.13 This appropriation is from the general fund  
 5.14 for the safe routes to school program under  
 5.15 Minnesota Statutes, section 174.40.

5.16 If the appropriation for either year is  
 5.17 insufficient, the appropriation for the other  
 5.18 year is available for it. The appropriations in  
 5.19 each year are available until June 30, 2027.

5.20 The base for this appropriation is \$1,500,000  
 5.21 in each of fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

5.22 **(d) Passenger Rail** 52,455,000 3,860,000

5.23 This appropriation is from the general fund  
 5.24 for passenger rail activities under Minnesota  
 5.25 Statutes, sections 174.632 to 174.636.

5.26 \$1,955,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$3,360,000  
 5.27 in fiscal year 2025 are from the general fund  
 5.28 to provide a match to federal aid for capital  
 5.29 and operating costs for expanded Amtrak  
 5.30 service between the Twin Cities and Chicago.

5.31 The base for this appropriation is \$4,876,000  
 5.32 in each of fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

6.1 \$50,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
 6.2 general fund for capital improvements and  
 6.3 betterments, including preliminary  
 6.4 engineering, design, engineering,  
 6.5 environmental analysis and mitigation,  
 6.6 acquisition of land and right-of-way, and  
 6.7 construction of the Minneapolis-Duluth  
 6.8 Northern Lights Express intercity passenger  
 6.9 rail project. This appropriation may be used  
 6.10 to maximize nonstate funding for the purposes  
 6.11 of this paragraph. This is a onetime  
 6.12 appropriation and is available until December  
 6.13 31, 2027.

6.14 **(e) Freight** 9,596,000 8,566,000

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
6.16 <u>General</u>	<u>3,229,000</u>	<u>1,900,000</u>
6.17 <u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>6,367,000</u>	<u>6,666,000</u>

6.18 \$500,000 each year is from the general fund  
 6.19 for weigh station operations and capital  
 6.20 improvements.

6.21 \$1,420,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
 6.22 general fund for matching federal aid grants  
 6.23 for improvements, engineering, and  
 6.24 administrative costs for the Stone Arch Bridge  
 6.25 in Minneapolis. This is a onetime  
 6.26 appropriation and is available until June 30,  
 6.27 2027.

6.28 **Subd. 3. State Roads**

6.29 **(a) Operations and Maintenance** 415,137,000 425,258,000

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
6.31 <u>General</u>	<u>3,000,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
6.32 <u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>412,137,000</u>	<u>425,258,000</u>

7.1 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
 7.2 general fund for the highways for habitat  
 7.3 program under Minnesota Statutes, section  
 7.4 160.2325.

7.5 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
 7.6 general fund for living snow fence  
 7.7 implementation, including: acquiring and  
 7.8 planting trees, shrubs, native grasses, and  
 7.9 wildflowers that are climate adaptive to  
 7.10 Minnesota; improvements; contracts;  
 7.11 easements; rental agreements; and program  
 7.12 delivery.

7.13 \$165,000 in each year is for living snow fence  
 7.14 implementation and maintenance activities.

7.15 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
 7.16 general fund for safe road zones under  
 7.17 Minnesota Statutes, section 169.065, including  
 7.18 for development and delivery of public  
 7.19 awareness and education campaigns about safe  
 7.20 road zones.

7.21 The base for the appropriation from the trunk  
 7.22 highway fund is \$436,258,000 in each of fiscal  
 7.23 years 2026 and 2027.

7.24 **(b) Program Planning and Delivery**

7.25 **(1) Planning and Research**

32,679,000

33,465,000

7.26 The commissioner may use any balance  
 7.27 remaining in this appropriation for program  
 7.28 delivery under clause (2).

7.29 \$130,000 in each year is available for  
 7.30 administrative costs of the targeted group  
 7.31 business program.

8.1 \$266,000 in each year is available for grants  
 8.2 to metropolitan planning organizations outside  
 8.3 the seven-county metropolitan area.

8.4 \$900,000 in each year is available for grants  
 8.5 for transportation studies outside the  
 8.6 metropolitan area to identify critical concerns,  
 8.7 problems, and issues. These grants are  
 8.8 available: (i) to regional development  
 8.9 commissions; (ii) in regions where no regional  
 8.10 development commission is functioning, to  
 8.11 joint powers boards established under  
 8.12 agreement of two or more political  
 8.13 subdivisions in the region to exercise the  
 8.14 planning functions of a regional development  
 8.15 commission; and (iii) in regions where no  
 8.16 regional development commission or joint  
 8.17 powers board is functioning, to the Department  
 8.18 of Transportation district office for that region.

8.19 The base for this appropriation is \$34,465,000  
 8.20 in each of fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

8.21 **(2) Program Delivery** 284,751,000      273,985,000

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
<u>General</u>	<u>23,743,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>
<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>261,008,000</u>	<u>271,985,000</u>

8.26 This appropriation includes use of consultants  
 8.27 to support development and management of  
 8.28 projects.

8.29 \$20,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
 8.30 general fund for roadway design and related  
 8.31 improvements that reduce speeds and  
 8.32 eliminate intersection interactions on rural  
 8.33 high-risk roadways. The commissioner must  
 8.34 identify roadways based on crash information

9.1 and in consultation with Toward Zero Deaths  
9.2 program representatives and local traffic safety  
9.3 partners. This is a onetime appropriation and  
9.4 is available until June 30, 2026.

9.5 \$2,000,000 in each year is from the general  
9.6 fund for implementation of climate-related  
9.7 programs as provided under the federal  
9.8 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Public  
9.9 Law 117-58.

9.10 \$1,193,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
9.11 general fund for costs related to the property  
9.12 conveyance to the Upper Sioux Community  
9.13 of state-owned land within the boundaries of  
9.14 Upper Sioux Agency State Park, including fee  
9.15 purchase, property purchase, appraisals, and  
9.16 road and bridge demolition and related  
9.17 engineering.

9.18 \$300,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
9.19 general fund for additions and modifications  
9.20 to work zone design or layout to reduce  
9.21 vehicle speeds in a work zone. This  
9.22 appropriation is available following a  
9.23 determination by the commissioner that the  
9.24 initial work zone design or layout  
9.25 insufficiently provides for reduced vehicle  
9.26 speeds.

9.27 \$250,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
9.28 general fund for costs related to the Clean  
9.29 Transportation Standard and Sustainable  
9.30 Aviation Fuel Working Group established  
9.31 under article 8, section 56.

9.32 \$1,000,000 in each year is available for  
9.33 management of contaminated and regulated  
9.34 material on property owned by the Department

10.1 of Transportation, including mitigation of  
 10.2 property conveyances, facility acquisition or  
 10.3 expansion, chemical release at maintenance  
 10.4 facilities, and spills on the trunk highway  
 10.5 system where there is no known responsible  
 10.6 party. If the appropriation for either year is  
 10.7 insufficient, the appropriation for the other  
 10.8 year is available for it.

10.9 The base for the appropriation from the trunk  
 10.10 highway fund is \$278,985,000 in each of fiscal  
 10.11 years 2026 and 2027.

10.12 **(c) State Road Construction**

1,210,213,000

1,179,045,000

10.13 This appropriation is for the actual  
 10.14 construction, reconstruction, and improvement  
 10.15 of trunk highways, including design-build  
 10.16 contracts, internal department costs associated  
 10.17 with delivering the construction program,  
 10.18 consultant usage to support these activities,  
 10.19 and the cost of actual payments to landowners  
 10.20 for lands acquired for highway rights-of-way,  
 10.21 payment to lessees, interest subsidies, and  
 10.22 relocation expenses.

10.23 This appropriation includes federal highway  
 10.24 aid. The commissioner of transportation must  
 10.25 notify the chairs, ranking minority members,  
 10.26 and staff of the legislative committees with  
 10.27 jurisdiction over transportation finance of any  
 10.28 significant events that cause the estimates of  
 10.29 federal aid to change.

10.30 The commissioner may expend up to one-half  
 10.31 of one percent of the federal appropriations  
 10.32 under this paragraph as grants to opportunity  
 10.33 industrialization centers and other nonprofit

11.1 job training centers for job training programs  
 11.2 related to highway construction.

11.3 The commissioner may transfer up to  
 11.4 \$15,000,000 in each year to the transportation  
 11.5 revolving loan fund.

11.6 The commissioner may receive money  
 11.7 covering other shares of the cost of partnership  
 11.8 projects. These receipts are appropriated to  
 11.9 the commissioner for these projects.

11.10 The base for this appropriation is  
 11.11 \$1,166,813,000 in each of fiscal years 2026  
 11.12 and 2027.

11.13 **(d) Corridors of Commerce** 25,000,000 30,000,000

11.14 This appropriation is for the corridors of  
 11.15 commerce program under Minnesota Statutes,  
 11.16 section 161.088. The commissioner may use  
 11.17 up to 17 percent of the amount in each year  
 11.18 for program delivery.

11.19 **(e) Highway Debt Service** 270,205,000 297,377,000

11.20 \$267,205,000 in fiscal year 2024 and  
 11.21 \$294,377,000 in fiscal year 2025 are for  
 11.22 transfer to the state bond fund. If this  
 11.23 appropriation is insufficient to make all  
 11.24 transfers required in the year for which it is  
 11.25 made, the commissioner of management and  
 11.26 budget must transfer the deficiency amount  
 11.27 as provided under Minnesota Statutes, section  
 11.28 16A.641, and notify the chairs, ranking  
 11.29 minority members, and staff of the legislative  
 11.30 committees with jurisdiction over  
 11.31 transportation finance and the chairs of the  
 11.32 senate Finance Committee and the house of  
 11.33 representatives Ways and Means Committee  
 11.34 of the amount of the deficiency. Any excess

12.1 appropriation cancels to the trunk highway  
 12.2 fund.

12.3 **(f) Statewide Radio Communications** 6,653,000 6,907,000

12.4 Appropriations by Fund

12.5 2024 2025

12.6 General 3,000 3,000

12.7 Trunk Highway 6,650,000 6,904,000

12.8 \$3,000 in each year is from the general fund

12.9 to equip and operate the Roosevelt signal

12.10 tower for Lake of the Woods weather

12.11 broadcasting.

12.12 **Subd. 4. Local Roads**

12.13 **(a) County State-Aid Highways** 969,647,000 1,037,326,000

12.14 This appropriation is from the county state-aid

12.15 highway fund under Minnesota Statutes,

12.16 sections 161.081 and 297A.815, subdivision

12.17 3, and chapter 162, and is available until June

12.18 30, 2033.

12.19 If the commissioner of transportation

12.20 determines that a balance remains in the

12.21 county state-aid highway fund following the

12.22 appropriations and transfers made in this

12.23 paragraph and that the appropriations made

12.24 are insufficient for advancing county state-aid

12.25 highway projects, an amount necessary to

12.26 advance the projects, not to exceed the balance

12.27 in the county state-aid highway fund, is

12.28 appropriated in each year to the commissioner.

12.29 Within two weeks of a determination under

12.30 this contingent appropriation, the

12.31 commissioner of transportation must notify

12.32 the commissioner of management and budget

12.33 and the chairs, ranking minority members, and

12.34 staff of the legislative committees with

13.1 jurisdiction over transportation finance  
 13.2 concerning funds appropriated. The  
 13.3 commissioner must identify in the next budget  
 13.4 submission to the legislature under Minnesota  
 13.5 Statutes, section 16A.11, any amount that is  
 13.6 appropriated under this paragraph.

13.7 **(b) Municipal State-Aid Streets** 235,772,000 247,104,000

13.8 This appropriation is from the municipal  
 13.9 state-aid street fund under Minnesota Statutes,  
 13.10 chapter 162, and is available until June 30,  
 13.11 2033.

13.12 If the commissioner of transportation  
 13.13 determines that a balance remains in the  
 13.14 municipal state-aid street fund following the  
 13.15 appropriations and transfers made in this  
 13.16 paragraph and that the appropriations made  
 13.17 are insufficient for advancing municipal  
 13.18 state-aid street projects, an amount necessary  
 13.19 to advance the projects, not to exceed the  
 13.20 balance in the municipal state-aid street fund,  
 13.21 is appropriated in each year to the  
 13.22 commissioner. Within two weeks of a  
 13.23 determination under this contingent  
 13.24 appropriation, the commissioner of  
 13.25 transportation must notify the commissioner  
 13.26 of management and budget and the chairs,  
 13.27 ranking minority members, and staff of the  
 13.28 legislative committees with jurisdiction over  
 13.29 transportation finance concerning funds  
 13.30 appropriated. The commissioner must identify  
 13.31 in the next budget submission to the legislature  
 13.32 under Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.11, any  
 13.33 amount that is appropriated under this  
 13.34 paragraph.

13.35 **(c) Other Local Roads**

14.1	<b><u>(1) Local Bridges</u></b>		<u>45,000,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
14.2	<u>This appropriation is from the general fund to</u>			
14.3	<u>replace or rehabilitate local deficient bridges</u>			
14.4	<u>under Minnesota Statutes, section 174.50. This</u>			
14.5	<u>is a onetime appropriation and is available</u>			
14.6	<u>until June 30, 2027.</u>			
14.7	<b><u>(2) Local Road Improvement</u></b>		<u>45,000,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
14.8	<u>This appropriation is from the general fund</u>			
14.9	<u>for construction and reconstruction of local</u>			
14.10	<u>roads under Minnesota Statutes, section</u>			
14.11	<u>174.52. This is a onetime appropriation and</u>			
14.12	<u>is available until June 30, 2027.</u>			
14.13	<b><u>(3) Local Transportation Disaster Support</u></b>			
14.14	<b><u>Account</u></b>		<u>4,300,000</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>
14.15	<u>This appropriation is from the general fund to</u>			
14.16	<u>provide a cost-share for federal assistance</u>			
14.17	<u>from the Federal Highway Administration for</u>			
14.18	<u>the emergency relief program under United</u>			
14.19	<u>States Code, title 23, section 125. Of the</u>			
14.20	<u>appropriation in fiscal year 2024, \$3,300,000</u>			
14.21	<u>is onetime and is available until June 30, 2027.</u>			
14.22	<b><u>Subd. 5. Agency Management</u></b>			
14.23	<b><u>(a) Agency Services</u></b>		<u>313,737,000</u>	<u>85,299,000</u>
14.24	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>			
14.25		<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	
14.26	<u>General</u>	<u>237,710,000</u>	<u>4,222,000</u>	
14.27	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>76,027,000</u>	<u>81,077,000</u>	
14.28	<u>\$216,400,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the</u>			
14.29	<u>general fund for match requirements for</u>			
14.30	<u>federal formula and discretionary grant</u>			
14.31	<u>programs. From this amount, the</u>			
14.32	<u>commissioner may make grants to any eligible</u>			
14.33	<u>applicant for match requirements and pay for</u>			
14.34	<u>costs incurred by the department in providing</u>			

15.1 technical assistance to eligible applicants for  
15.2 federal discretionary grant programs. Of this  
15.3 amount, \$100,000,000 is for grants to local  
15.4 governments to meet federal match  
15.5 requirements. This is a onetime appropriation  
15.6 and is available until June 30, 2027.

15.7 \$13,600,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
15.8 general fund for matching federal aid, related  
15.9 state investments, and appropriate costs  
15.10 incurred by the department to carry out the  
15.11 electric vehicle infrastructure program under  
15.12 Minnesota Statutes, section 174.47. This is a  
15.13 onetime appropriation and is available until  
15.14 June 30, 2027.

15.15 \$900,000 in each year is from the general fund  
15.16 for the purpose of establishing a Tribal affairs  
15.17 workforce training program related to the  
15.18 construction industry. The commissioner may  
15.19 enter into an agreement with any private,  
15.20 public, or Tribal entity for the planning,  
15.21 designing, developing, delivery, and hosting  
15.22 of the program. The commissioner may use  
15.23 this appropriation to pay for reasonable  
15.24 administration costs of the program.

15.25 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
15.26 general fund for federal transportation grants  
15.27 technical assistance under article 8, section  
15.28 58. This is a onetime appropriation and is  
15.29 available until June 30, 2027.

15.30 \$3,500,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$2,000,000  
15.31 in fiscal year 2025 are from the general fund  
15.32 for investments in asset management  
15.33 technologies, document and data transfer  
15.34 programs, research project management, and  
15.35 other information technology projects.

16.1 \$261,000 in each year is from the general fund  
 16.2 for staffing to support the implementation and  
 16.3 management of the federal National Electric  
 16.4 Vehicle Infrastructure Formula Program.

16.5 **(b) Buildings** 40,790,000 41,120,000

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
16.6 <u>General</u>	<u>55,000</u>	<u>55,000</u>
16.7 <u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>40,735,000</u>	<u>41,065,000</u>

16.10 Any money appropriated to the commissioner  
 16.11 of transportation for building construction for  
 16.12 any fiscal year before fiscal year 2024 is  
 16.13 available to the commissioner during the  
 16.14 biennium to the extent that the commissioner  
 16.15 spends the money on the building construction  
 16.16 projects for which the money was originally  
 16.17 encumbered during the fiscal year for which  
 16.18 it was appropriated. If the appropriation for  
 16.19 either year is insufficient, the appropriation  
 16.20 for the other year is available for it.

16.21 **(c) Tort Claims** 600,000 600,000

16.22 If the appropriation for either year is  
 16.23 insufficient, the appropriation for the other  
 16.24 year is available for it.

16.25 **Subd. 6. Transfers**

16.26 (a) With the approval of the commissioner of  
 16.27 management and budget, the commissioner  
 16.28 of transportation may transfer unencumbered  
 16.29 balances among the appropriations from the  
 16.30 trunk highway fund and the state airports fund  
 16.31 made in this section. Transfers under this  
 16.32 paragraph must not be made: (1) between  
 16.33 funds; (2) from the appropriations for state  
 16.34 road construction or debt service; or (3) from

17.1 the appropriations for operations and  
17.2 maintenance or program delivery, except for  
17.3 a transfer to state road construction or debt  
17.4 service.

17.5 (b) The commissioner of transportation must  
17.6 immediately report transfers under paragraph  
17.7 (a) to the chairs, ranking minority members,  
17.8 and staff of the legislative committees with  
17.9 jurisdiction over transportation finance. The  
17.10 authority for the commissioner of  
17.11 transportation to make transfers under  
17.12 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.285, is  
17.13 superseded by the authority and requirements  
17.14 under this subdivision.

17.15 (c) The commissioner of transportation must  
17.16 transfer from the flexible highway account in  
17.17 the county state-aid highway fund:

17.18 (1) \$1,850,000 in fiscal year 2024 to the trunk  
17.19 highway fund;

17.20 (2) \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 to the  
17.21 municipal turnback account in the municipal  
17.22 state-aid street fund; and

17.23 (3) the remainder in each year to the county  
17.24 turnback account in the county state-aid  
17.25 highway fund.

17.26 The funds transferred are for highway  
17.27 turnback purposes as provided under  
17.28 Minnesota Statutes, section 161.081,  
17.29 subdivision 3.

17.30 **Subd. 7. Contingent Appropriations**

17.31 The commissioner of transportation, with the  
17.32 approval of the governor and the written  
17.33 approval of at least five members of a group

18.1 consisting of the members of the Legislative  
 18.2 Advisory Commission under Minnesota  
 18.3 Statutes, section 3.30, and the ranking minority  
 18.4 members of the legislative committees with  
 18.5 jurisdiction over transportation finance, may  
 18.6 transfer all or part of the unappropriated  
 18.7 balance in the trunk highway fund to an  
 18.8 appropriation: (1) for trunk highway design,  
 18.9 construction, or inspection in order to take  
 18.10 advantage of an unanticipated receipt of  
 18.11 income to the trunk highway fund or to take  
 18.12 advantage of federal advanced construction  
 18.13 funding; (2) for trunk highway maintenance  
 18.14 in order to meet an emergency; or (3) to pay  
 18.15 tort or environmental claims. Nothing in this  
 18.16 subdivision authorizes the commissioner to  
 18.17 increase the use of federal advanced  
 18.18 construction funding beyond amounts  
 18.19 specifically authorized. Any transfer as a result  
 18.20 of the use of federal advanced construction  
 18.21 funding must include an analysis of the effects  
 18.22 on the long-term trunk highway fund balance.  
 18.23 The amount transferred is appropriated for the  
 18.24 purpose of the account to which it is  
 18.25 transferred.

18.26 **Sec. 3. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL**

18.27 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation**                    **\$**    **139,630,000**    **\$**    **88,630,000**

18.28 The appropriations in this section are from the  
 18.29 general fund to the Metropolitan Council.

18.30 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 18.31 purpose are specified in the following  
 18.32 subdivisions.

19.1	<b><u>Subd. 2. Transit System Operations</u></b>		<u>83,654,000</u>	<u>32,654,000</u>
19.2	<u>This appropriation is for transit system</u>			
19.3	<u>operations under Minnesota Statutes, sections</u>			
19.4	<u>473.371 to 473.449.</u>			
19.5	<u>\$50,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is for a grant</u>			
19.6	<u>to Hennepin County for the Blue Line light</u>			
19.7	<u>rail transit extension project, including but not</u>			
19.8	<u>limited to predesign, design, engineering,</u>			
19.9	<u>environmental analysis and mitigation,</u>			
19.10	<u>right-of-way acquisition, construction, and</u>			
19.11	<u>acquisition of rolling stock. This is a onetime</u>			
19.12	<u>appropriation and is available until June 30,</u>			
19.13	<u>2030.</u>			
19.14	<u>\$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is for the</u>			
19.15	<u>metropolitan land use and transportation policy</u>			
19.16	<u>study under article 6, section 35.</u>			
19.17	<b><u>Subd. 3. Metro Mobility</u></b>		<u>55,976,000</u>	<u>55,976,000</u>
19.18	<u>This appropriation is for Metro Mobility under</u>			
19.19	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 473.386. This is</u>			
19.20	<u>a onetime appropriation.</u>			
19.21	<b><u>Sec. 4. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY</u></b>			
19.22	<b><u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u></b>		<b><u>\$ 287,693,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 274,541,000</u></b>
19.23	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>			
19.24		<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	
19.25	<u>General</u>	<u>51,796,000</u>	<u>31,672,000</u>	
19.26	<u>H.U.T.D.</u>	<u>1,336,000</u>	<u>1,378,000</u>	
19.27	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>69,380,000</u>	<u>70,434,000</u>	
19.28	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>165,066,000</u>	<u>170,948,000</u>	
19.29	<u>The appropriations in this section are to the</u>			
19.30	<u>commissioner of public safety.</u>			
19.31	<u>The amounts that may be spent for each</u>			
19.32	<u>purpose are specified in the following</u>			
19.33	<u>subdivisions. The commissioner must spend</u>			

20.1	<u>appropriations from the trunk highway fund</u>				
20.2	<u>in subdivision 3 only for state patrol purposes.</u>				
20.3	<b><u>Subd. 2. Administration and Related Services</u></b>				
20.4	<b><u>(a) Office of Communications</u></b>			<u>786,000</u>	<u>928,000</u>
20.5	<u>This appropriation is from the general fund.</u>				
20.6	<b><u>(b) Public Safety Support</u></b>			<u>7,684,000</u>	<u>8,755,000</u>
20.7	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>				
20.8		<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>		
20.9	<u>General</u>	<u>2,757,000</u>	<u>3,546,000</u>		
20.10	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>4,927,000</u>	<u>5,209,000</u>		
20.11	<b><u>(c) Public Safety Officer Survivor Benefits</u></b>			<u>640,000</u>	<u>640,000</u>
20.12	<u>This appropriation is from the general fund</u>				
20.13	<u>for payment of public safety officer survivor</u>				
20.14	<u>benefits under Minnesota Statutes, section</u>				
20.15	<u>299A.44. If the appropriation for either year</u>				
20.16	<u>is insufficient, the appropriation for the other</u>				
20.17	<u>year is available for it.</u>				
20.18	<b><u>(d) Public Safety Officer Reimbursements</u></b>			<u>1,367,000</u>	<u>1,367,000</u>
20.19	<u>This appropriation is from the general fund</u>				
20.20	<u>for transfer to the public safety officer's benefit</u>				
20.21	<u>account. This money is available for</u>				
20.22	<u>reimbursements under Minnesota Statutes,</u>				
20.23	<u>section 299A.465.</u>				
20.24	<b><u>(e) Soft Body Armor Reimbursements</u></b>			<u>745,000</u>	<u>745,000</u>
20.25	<u>This appropriation is from the general fund</u>				
20.26	<u>for soft body armor reimbursements under</u>				
20.27	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.38.</u>				
20.28	<b><u>(f) Technology and Support Services</u></b>			<u>6,712,000</u>	<u>6,783,000</u>
20.29	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>				
20.30		<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>		
20.31	<u>General</u>	<u>1,645,000</u>	<u>1,684,000</u>		
20.32	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>5,067,000</u>	<u>5,099,000</u>		

21.1 Subd. 3. State Patrol

21.2	<u>(a) Patrolling Highways</u>	<u>151,744,000</u>	<u>141,731,000</u>
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21.3 Appropriations by Fund

21.4		<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
21.5	<u>General</u>	<u>14,887,000</u>	<u>37,000</u>
21.6	<u>H.U.T.D.</u>	<u>92,000</u>	<u>92,000</u>
21.7	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>136,765,000</u>	<u>141,602,000</u>

21.8 \$350,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
 21.9 general fund for predesign of a State Patrol  
 21.10 headquarters building and related storage and  
 21.11 training facilities. The commissioner of public  
 21.12 safety must work with the commissioner of  
 21.13 administration to complete the predesign. This  
 21.14 is a onetime appropriation and is available  
 21.15 until June 30, 2027.

21.16 \$14,500,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
 21.17 general fund to purchase a helicopter for the  
 21.18 State Patrol. This is a onetime appropriation  
 21.19 and is available until June 30, 2025.

21.20 \$611,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$352,000 in  
 21.21 fiscal year 2025 are from the trunk highway  
 21.22 fund to support the State Patrol's accreditation  
 21.23 process under the Commission on  
 21.24 Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies.

21.25	<u>(b) Commercial Vehicle Enforcement</u>	<u>17,746,000</u>	<u>18,423,000</u>
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21.26 \$5,248,000 in each year is from the trunk  
 21.27 highway fund to provide the required match  
 21.28 for federal grants for additional troopers and  
 21.29 nonsworn commercial vehicle inspectors.

21.30	<u>(c) Capitol Security</u>	<u>18,666,000</u>	<u>19,231,000</u>
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21.31 This appropriation is from the general fund.

21.32 The commissioner must not:

22.1 (1) spend any money from the trunk highway  
 22.2 fund for capitol security; or

22.3 (2) permanently transfer any state trooper from  
 22.4 the patrolling highways activity to capitol  
 22.5 security.

22.6 The commissioner must not transfer any  
 22.7 money appropriated to the commissioner under  
 22.8 this section:

22.9 (1) to capitol security; or

22.10 (2) from capitol security.

22.11 **(d) Vehicle Crimes Unit**

1,244,000

1,286,000

22.12 This appropriation is from the highway user  
 22.13 tax distribution fund to investigate:

22.14 (1) registration tax and motor vehicle sales tax  
 22.15 liabilities from individuals and businesses that  
 22.16 currently do not pay all taxes owed; and

22.17 (2) illegal or improper activity related to the  
 22.18 sale, transfer, titling, and registration of motor  
 22.19 vehicles.

22.20 **Subd. 4. Driver and Vehicle Services**

22.21 **(a) Driver Services**

39,959,000

40,544,000

22.22 This appropriation is from the driver and  
 22.23 vehicle services operating account under  
 22.24 Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.705.

22.25 \$750,000 in fiscal year 2024 is for  
 22.26 reimbursement to driver's license agents for  
 22.27 the purchase of equipment necessary for a  
 22.28 full-service provider, as defined in Minnesota  
 22.29 Statutes, section 171.01, subdivision 33a,  
 22.30 following application to the commissioner.

22.31 The commissioner may provide no more than  
 22.32 \$15,000 to each driver's license agent.

23.1 \$115,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$109,000 in  
 23.2 fiscal year 2025 are for staff costs to manage,  
 23.3 review, and audit online driver education  
 23.4 programs.

23.5 \$262,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$81,000 in  
 23.6 fiscal year 2025 are for implementation of race  
 23.7 and ethnicity information collection from  
 23.8 applicants for drivers' licenses and  
 23.9 identification cards.

23.10 **(b) Vehicle Services** 28,093,000 28,596,000

23.11 This appropriation is from the driver and  
 23.12 vehicle services operating account under  
 23.13 Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.705.

23.14 \$1,600,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$1,300,000  
 23.15 in fiscal year 2025 are for staff and operating  
 23.16 costs related to additional vehicle inspection  
 23.17 sites.

23.18 \$101,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$96,000 in  
 23.19 fiscal year 2025 are for staff costs related to  
 23.20 monitoring and auditing records issued by  
 23.21 full-service providers.

23.22 \$57,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$51,000 in  
 23.23 fiscal year 2025 are for an appeals process for  
 23.24 information technology system data access  
 23.25 revocations, including costs of staff and  
 23.26 equipment.

23.27 **Subd. 5. Traffic Safety** 8,864,000 4,109,000

23.28 Appropriations by Fund

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
23.29		
23.30 <u>General</u>	<u>8,303,000</u>	<u>3,494,000</u>
23.31 <u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>561,000</u>	<u>615,000</u>

23.32 \$2,000,000 in each year is from the general  
 23.33 fund for the administration of the Traffic

- 24.1 Safety Advisory Council under Minnesota  
24.2 Statutes, section 4.076, including staff costs.
- 24.3 \$407,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$813,000 in  
24.4 fiscal year 2025 are from the general fund for  
24.5 staff and operating costs to create a Traffic  
24.6 Safety Data Analytics Center.
- 24.7 \$50,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the general  
24.8 fund for an education and awareness campaign  
24.9 on motor vehicles passing school buses,  
24.10 designed to: (1) help reduce occurrences of  
24.11 motor vehicles unlawfully passing school  
24.12 buses; and (2) inform drivers about the safety  
24.13 of pupils boarding and unloading from school  
24.14 buses, including laws requiring a motor  
24.15 vehicle to stop when a school bus has extended  
24.16 the stop-signal arm and is flashing red lights  
24.17 and penalties for violations. The commissioner  
24.18 must identify best practices, review effective  
24.19 communication methods to educate drivers,  
24.20 and consider multiple forms of media to  
24.21 convey the information.
- 24.22 \$100,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
24.23 general fund for a public awareness campaign  
24.24 to promote understanding and compliance with  
24.25 laws regarding the passing of parked  
24.26 authorized vehicles.
- 24.27 \$98,000 in each year is from the general fund  
24.28 to coordinate a statewide traffic safety equity  
24.29 program, including staff costs.
- 24.30 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
24.31 general fund for grants to law enforcement  
24.32 agencies to undertake targeted speed reduction  
24.33 efforts on rural high-risk roadways.

25.1 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is for grants to  
 25.2 local units of government to increase traffic  
 25.3 safety enforcement activities, including for  
 25.4 training, equipment, overtime, and related  
 25.5 costs for peace officers to perform duties that  
 25.6 are specifically related to traffic management  
 25.7 and traffic safety.

25.8 \$350,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
 25.9 general fund for grants to local units of  
 25.10 government for safe ride programs that  
 25.11 provide safe transportation options for patrons  
 25.12 of hospitality and entertainment businesses  
 25.13 within a community.

25.14 \$500,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
 25.15 general fund for grants to local units of  
 25.16 government to perform additional traffic safety  
 25.17 enforcement activities in safe road zones under  
 25.18 Minnesota Statutes, section 169.065.

25.19 \$250,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the  
 25.20 general fund for the traffic safety violations  
 25.21 disposition analysis under article 8, section  
 25.22 62.

25.23 **Subd. 6. Pipeline Safety** 1,443,000 1,443,000

25.24 This appropriation is from the pipeline safety  
 25.25 account in the special revenue fund under  
 25.26 Minnesota Statutes, section 299J.18.

25.27 **Sec. 5. APPROPRIATION; SMALL COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS.**

25.28 (a) \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated  
 25.29 from the general fund to the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota for small  
 25.30 community partnerships on infrastructure project analysis and development as provided in  
 25.31 this section. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2026.

25.32 (b) The appropriation under this section must be used for:

26.1 (1) partnership activities in the Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships, the  
 26.2 Center for Transportation Studies, the Minnesota Design Center, the Humphrey School of  
 26.3 Public Affairs, the Center for Urban and Regional Affairs, or other related entities;

26.4 (2) support and assistance to small communities that includes:

26.5 (i) methods to incorporate consideration of sustainability, resiliency, and adaptation to  
 26.6 the impacts of climate change; and

26.7 (ii) identification and cross-sector analysis of any potential associated projects and  
 26.8 efficiencies through coordinated investments in other infrastructure or assets; and

26.9 (3) prioritization of support and assistance to political subdivisions and federally  
 26.10 recognized Tribal governments based on insufficiency of capacity to undertake project  
 26.11 development and apply for state or federal infrastructure grants.

26.12 (c) The agreement may provide for project analysis and development activities that  
 26.13 include but are not limited to planning, scoping, analysis, predesign, design, preengineering,  
 26.14 and engineering.

26.15 **Sec. 6. APPROPRIATION; STATE PATROL OPERATING DEFICIENCY.**

26.16 (a) \$6,728,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the trunk highway fund to the  
 26.17 commissioner of public safety for State Patrol operating costs. This is a onetime appropriation  
 26.18 and is available until December 31, 2023.

26.19 (b) \$106,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the highway user tax distribution  
 26.20 fund to the commissioner of public safety for the State Patrol Vehicle Crimes Unit. This is  
 26.21 a onetime appropriation and is available until December 31, 2023.

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

26.23 **Sec. 7. APPROPRIATION; TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT**  
 26.24 **ORGANIZATIONS.**

26.25 (a) \$300,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$300,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from  
 26.26 the general fund to the commissioner of transportation for grants to the I-494 Corridor  
 26.27 Commission to provide telework resources, assistance, information, and related activities  
 26.28 on a statewide basis.

26.29 (b) \$300,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$300,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from  
 26.30 the general fund to the commissioner of transportation for grants to the St. Paul transportation

27.1 management organization. The organization must provide public education and information  
 27.2 to support a reduction in vehicle miles traveled throughout the metropolitan area.

27.3 (c) \$103,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$103,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from  
 27.4 the general fund to the commissioner of transportation for grants to the downtown  
 27.5 Minneapolis transportation management organization. Programs funded with this  
 27.6 appropriation must include but are not limited to a hybrid commuter education pilot program.

27.7 (d) \$350,000 in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner  
 27.8 of transportation for grants to the city of Chatfield to develop a transportation management  
 27.9 organization in southeastern Minnesota. Funds under this paragraph are available for  
 27.10 developing a comprehensive assessment and financial plan for a transportation management  
 27.11 organization in the counties of Rice, Goodhue, Dodge, Steele, Wabasha, Olmsted, Winona,  
 27.12 Freeborn, Mower, Fillmore, and Houston. The study must assess how the transportation  
 27.13 management organization can develop resources to meet the region's growing and changing  
 27.14 transportation needs and prioritize transportation-related challenges that affect the region's  
 27.15 workforce, access to health care and postsecondary education, and quality of life.

27.16 (e) Funds under paragraphs (a) to (c) are available for programming and service expansion  
 27.17 to assist companies and commuters with carpool, vanpool, bicycle commuting, telework,  
 27.18 and transit.

27.19 (f) The commissioner must not retain any portion of the appropriations under this section.

27.20 Sec. 8. Laws 2018, chapter 214, article 1, section 16, subdivision 11, as amended by Laws  
 27.21 2019, chapter 2, article 2, section 4, is amended to read:

27.22 **Subd. 11. Corridors of Commerce** 400,000,000

27.23 (a) From the bond proceeds account in the  
 27.24 trunk highway fund for the corridors of  
 27.25 commerce program under Minnesota Statutes,  
 27.26 section 161.088.

27.27 (b) This appropriation is available in the  
 27.28 amounts of:

27.29 (1) \$150,000,000 in fiscal year 2022;

27.30 (2) \$150,000,000 in fiscal year 2023; and

27.31 (3) \$100,000,000 in fiscal year 2024.

28.1 (c) The commissioner must select projects for  
28.2 the corridors of commerce program solely  
28.3 using the results of the spring 2018 evaluation  
28.4 for the corridors of commerce program, in  
28.5 order based on total score. In addition to the  
28.6 projects selected for funding in the first round  
28.7 from the spring 2018 evaluation, the  
28.8 commissioner must select at least two projects  
28.9 located outside the Department of  
28.10 Transportation metropolitan district. If funds  
28.11 are insufficient for an identified project, the  
28.12 commissioner must either select the identified  
28.13 project, or select one or more alternative  
28.14 projects that are (1) for a segment within the  
28.15 project limits of the identified project; and (2)  
28.16 also identified and scored in the spring 2018  
28.17 evaluation process. For projects located  
28.18 outside the Department of Transportation  
28.19 metropolitan district, the commissioner must  
28.20 not select a project located in a county within  
28.21 which a project was selected for funding in  
28.22 the first round in the spring 2018 evaluation  
28.23 for the corridors of commerce program.

28.24 (d) Notwithstanding the project selection  
28.25 requirements under paragraph (c), any  
28.26 remaining amount of this appropriation is for  
28.27 predesign, design, engineering, and  
28.28 construction of an overpass and associated  
28.29 safety improvements at the intersection of  
28.30 marked Trunk Highway 9 and marked Trunk  
28.31 Highway 23 in the city of New London.

28.32 (e) The appropriation in Laws 2017, First  
28.33 Special Session chapter 3, article 2, section 2,  
28.34 subdivision 1, is available for the projects

29.1 selected under paragraph (c) that the  
29.2 commissioner determines are ready to proceed.

29.3 ~~(e)~~ (f) The appropriation in this subdivision is  
29.4 available for any projects selected by the  
29.5 commissioner using the results of the  
29.6 evaluation for the corridors of commerce  
29.7 program conducted in spring 2018.

29.8 ~~(f)~~ (g) This appropriation cancels as specified  
29.9 under Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.642,  
29.10 except that the commissioner of management  
29.11 and budget shall count the start of  
29.12 authorization for issuance of state bonds as  
29.13 the first day of the fiscal year during which  
29.14 the bonds are available to be issued, and not  
29.15 as the date of enactment of this section.

29.16 Sec. 9. Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, is  
29.17 amended to read:

29.18 **Subd. 2. Multimodal Systems**

29.19 **(a) Aeronautics**

29.20 **(1) Airport Development and Assistance** 24,198,000 18,598,000

29.21 Appropriations by Fund

29.22	2022	2023
29.23 General	5,600,000	-0-
29.24 Airports	18,598,000	18,598,000

29.25 This appropriation is from the state airports  
29.26 fund and must be spent according to  
29.27 Minnesota Statutes, section 360.305,  
29.28 subdivision 4.

29.29 \$5,600,000 in fiscal year 2022 is from the  
29.30 general fund for a grant to the city of Karlstad  
29.31 for the acquisition of land, predesign, design,  
29.32 engineering, and construction of a primary  
29.33 airport runway.

30.1 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section  
 30.2 16A.28, subdivision 6, this appropriation is  
 30.3 available for five years after the year of the  
 30.4 appropriation. If the appropriation for either  
 30.5 year is insufficient, the appropriation for the  
 30.6 other year is available for it.

30.7 If the commissioner of transportation  
 30.8 determines that a balance remains in the state  
 30.9 airports fund following the appropriations  
 30.10 made in this article and that the appropriations  
 30.11 made are insufficient for advancing airport  
 30.12 development and assistance projects, an  
 30.13 amount necessary to advance the projects, not  
 30.14 to exceed the balance in the state airports fund,  
 30.15 is appropriated in each year to the  
 30.16 commissioner and must be spent according to  
 30.17 Minnesota Statutes, section 360.305,  
 30.18 subdivision 4. Within two weeks of a  
 30.19 determination under this contingent  
 30.20 appropriation, the commissioner of  
 30.21 transportation must notify the commissioner  
 30.22 of management and budget and the chairs,  
 30.23 ranking minority members, and staff of the  
 30.24 legislative committees with jurisdiction over  
 30.25 transportation finance concerning the funds  
 30.26 appropriated. Funds appropriated under this  
 30.27 contingent appropriation do not adjust the base  
 30.28 for fiscal years 2024 and 2025.

30.29 **(2) Aviation Support Services** 8,332,000 8,340,000

30.30	Appropriations by Fund	
30.31	2022	2023
30.32	General 1,650,000	1,650,000
30.33	Airports 6,682,000	6,690,000

30.34 \$28,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$36,000 in  
 30.35 fiscal year 2023 are from the state airports

31.1 fund for costs related to regulating unmanned  
31.2 aircraft systems.

31.3 **(3) Civil Air Patrol** 80,000 80,000

31.4 This appropriation is from the state airports  
31.5 fund for the Civil Air Patrol.

31.6 **(b) Transit and Active Transportation** 23,501,000 18,201,000

31.7 This appropriation is from the general fund.

31.8 \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 is for the active  
31.9 transportation program under Minnesota  
31.10 Statutes, section 174.38. This is a onetime  
31.11 appropriation and is available until June 30,  
31.12 2025.

31.13 \$300,000 in fiscal year 2022 is for a grant to  
31.14 the 494 Corridor Commission. The  
31.15 commissioner must not retain any portion of  
31.16 the funds appropriated under this section. The  
31.17 commissioner must make grant payments in  
31.18 full by December 31, 2021. Funds under this  
31.19 grant are for programming and service  
31.20 expansion to assist companies and commuters  
31.21 in telecommuting efforts and promotion of  
31.22 best practices. A grant recipient must provide  
31.23 telework resources, assistance, information,  
31.24 and related activities on a statewide basis. This  
31.25 is a onetime appropriation.

31.26 **(c) Safe Routes to School** 5,500,000 500,000

31.27 This appropriation is from the general fund  
31.28 for the safe routes to school program under  
31.29 Minnesota Statutes, section 174.40.

31.30 If the appropriation for either year is  
31.31 insufficient, the appropriation for the other  
31.32 year is available for it. Of this appropriation,

32.1 \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 is available  
 32.2 until June 30, 2025.

32.3 **(d) Passenger Rail** 10,500,000 500,000

32.4 This appropriation is from the general fund  
 32.5 for passenger rail activities under Minnesota  
 32.6 Statutes, sections 174.632 to 174.636.

32.7 \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 is for final  
 32.8 design and construction to provide for a  
 32.9 second daily Amtrak train service between  
 32.10 Minneapolis and St. Paul and Chicago. The  
 32.11 commissioner may expend funds for program  
 32.12 delivery and administration from this amount.  
 32.13 This is a onetime appropriation and is  
 32.14 available until June 30, 2025.

32.15 **(e) Freight** 8,342,000 7,323,000

32.16 Appropriations by Fund			
	2022	2023	
32.17			
32.18	General	2,464,000	1,445,000
32.19	Trunk Highway	5,878,000	5,878,000

32.20 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 is from the  
 32.21 general fund for procurement costs of a  
 32.22 statewide freight network optimization tool.  
 32.23 This is a onetime appropriation and is  
 32.24 available until June 30, ~~2023~~ 2025.

32.25 \$350,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$287,000 in  
 32.26 fiscal year 2023 are from the general fund for  
 32.27 two additional rail safety inspectors in the state  
 32.28 rail safety inspection program under  
 32.29 Minnesota Statutes, section 219.015. In each  
 32.30 year, the commissioner must not increase the  
 32.31 total assessment amount under Minnesota  
 32.32 Statutes, section 219.015, subdivision 2, from  
 32.33 the most recent assessment amount.

33.1 Sec. 10. Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article 1, section 4, subdivision 5, is  
 33.2 amended to read:

33.3 Subd. 5. **Traffic Safety** 8,477,000 8,464,000

33.4 Appropriations by Fund

33.5	2022	2023
33.6 General	7,983,000	7,970,000
33.7 Trunk Highway	494,000	494,000

33.8 \$7,398,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$7,398,000  
 33.9 in fiscal year 2023 are from the general fund  
 33.10 for grants to school districts, nonpublic  
 33.11 schools, charter schools, and companies that  
 33.12 provide school bus services, for the purchase  
 33.13 and installation of school bus stop-signal arm  
 33.14 camera systems. In awarding grants, the  
 33.15 commissioner must prioritize: regular route  
 33.16 type A, B, C, and D buses; newer buses; and  
 33.17 buses that do not already have a stop-signal  
 33.18 arm or forward-facing camera. Cameras  
 33.19 purchased with grants awarded pursuant to  
 33.20 this section must be used within the state.  
 33.21 When implementing the grant program, the  
 33.22 commissioner must require grant recipients to  
 33.23 submit an estimate of the recipient's  
 33.24 anticipated ongoing costs associated with the  
 33.25 use of the cameras, including but not limited  
 33.26 to costs for operating and maintaining the  
 33.27 cameras, identifying violations, and methods  
 33.28 for compiling video evidence of violations and  
 33.29 providing the evidence to law enforcement. If  
 33.30 the money in the account is sufficient to fund  
 33.31 all requests, the commissioner must not require  
 33.32 a local match. The commissioner may seek  
 33.33 assistance from the commissioner of education  
 33.34 in administering the grants. The base for this  
 33.35 appropriation is \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024

34.1 and \$0 in fiscal year 2025. This is a onetime  
 34.2 appropriation and is available until June 30,  
 34.3 2025.

34.4 \$110,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$94,000 in  
 34.5 fiscal year 2023 are from the general fund for  
 34.6 staff costs to administer grants for school bus  
 34.7 stop-signal arm cameras. This is a onetime  
 34.8 appropriation and is available until June 30,  
 34.9 2025.

34.10 The base for the general fund is \$478,000 in  
 34.11 each of fiscal years 2024 and 2025.

34.12 Sec. 11. **TRANSFERS.**

34.13 (a) \$323,112,000 in fiscal year 2024 is transferred from the general fund to the trunk  
 34.14 highway fund for the state match for highway formula and discretionary grants under the  
 34.15 federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Public Law 117-58, and for related state  
 34.16 investments.

34.17 (b) \$25,000,000 in each year is transferred from the general fund to the active  
 34.18 transportation account under Minnesota Statutes, section 174.38. The base for this transfer  
 34.19 is \$3,600,000 in each of fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

34.20 (c) \$500,000 in fiscal year 2024 is transferred from the general fund to the disadvantaged  
 34.21 communities carsharing grant account under Minnesota Statutes, section 174.46, for the  
 34.22 purposes of the grant program under that section.

34.23 (d) \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 are transferred  
 34.24 from the general fund to the full-service provider account under Minnesota Statutes, section  
 34.25 299A.705. This is a onetime transfer.

34.26 **ARTICLE 2**

34.27 **TRUNK HIGHWAY BONDS**

34.28 Section 1. **BOND APPROPRIATIONS.**

34.29 The sums shown in the column under "Appropriations" are appropriated from the bond  
 34.30 proceeds account in the trunk highway fund to the state agencies or officials indicated to  
 34.31 be spent for public purposes. Appropriations of bond proceeds must be spent as authorized  
 34.32 by the Minnesota Constitution, articles XI and XIV. Unless otherwise specified, money

35.1 appropriated in this article for a capital program or project may be used to pay state agency  
 35.2 staff costs that are attributed directly to the capital program or project in accordance with  
 35.3 accounting policies adopted by the commissioner of management and budget.

35.4 **SUMMARY**

35.5	<u>Department of Transportation</u>	\$	<u>550,000,000</u>
35.6	<u>Department of Management and Budget</u>	\$	<u>550,000</u>
35.7	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	\$	<b><u>550,550,000</u></b>

35.8 **APPROPRIATIONS**

35.9 **Sec. 2. DEPARTMENT OF**  
 35.10 **TRANSPORTATION**

35.11	<b><u>Subdivision 1. Corridors of Commerce</u></b>	\$	<b><u>350,000,000</u></b>
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35.12 (a) This appropriation is to the commissioner  
 35.13 of transportation for the corridors of commerce  
 35.14 program under Minnesota Statutes, section  
 35.15 161.088. The commissioner may use up to 17  
 35.16 percent of the amount for program delivery.

35.17 (b) This appropriation is available in the  
 35.18 amounts of:

35.19 (1) \$175,000,000 in fiscal year 2024; and

35.20 (2) \$175,000,000 in fiscal year 2025.

35.21 (c) The appropriation in this subdivision  
 35.22 cancels as specified under Minnesota Statutes,  
 35.23 section 16A.642, except that the commissioner  
 35.24 of management and budget must count the  
 35.25 start of authorization for issuance of state  
 35.26 bonds as the first day of the fiscal year during  
 35.27 which the bonds are available to be issued as  
 35.28 specified under paragraph (b), and not as the  
 35.29 date of enactment of this section.

35.30	<b><u>Subd. 2. State Road Construction</u></b>		<b><u>200,000,000</u></b>
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35.31 (a) This appropriation is to the commissioner  
 35.32 of transportation for construction,  
 35.33 reconstruction, and improvement of trunk

36.1 highways, including design-build contracts,  
 36.2 internal department costs associated with  
 36.3 delivering the construction program, and  
 36.4 consultant usage to support these activities.

36.5 The commissioner may use up to 17 percent  
 36.6 of the amount for program delivery.

36.7 (b) This appropriation is available in the  
 36.8 amounts of:

36.9 (1) \$100,000,000 in fiscal year 2024; and

36.10 (2) \$100,000,000 in fiscal year 2025.

36.11 (c) The appropriation in this subdivision  
 36.12 cancel as specified under Minnesota Statutes,  
 36.13 section 16A.642, except that the commissioner  
 36.14 of management and budget must count the  
 36.15 start of authorization for issuance of state  
 36.16 bonds as the first day of the fiscal year during  
 36.17 which the bonds are available to be issued as  
 36.18 specified under paragraph (b), and not as the  
 36.19 date of enactment of this section.

36.20 **Sec. 3. BOND SALE EXPENSES** **\$ 550,000**

36.21 (a) This appropriation is to the commissioner  
 36.22 of management and budget for bond sale  
 36.23 expenses under Minnesota Statutes, sections  
 36.24 16A.641, subdivision 8, and 167.50,  
 36.25 subdivision 4.

36.26 (b) This appropriation is available in the  
 36.27 amounts of:

36.28 (1) \$275,000 in fiscal year 2024; and

36.29 (2) \$275,000 in fiscal year 2025.

36.30 **Sec. 4. BOND SALE AUTHORIZATION.**

36.31 To provide the money appropriated in this article from the bond proceeds account in the  
 36.32 trunk highway fund, the commissioner of management and budget shall sell and issue bonds

37.1 of the state in an amount up to \$550,550,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with the  
 37.2 effect prescribed by Minnesota Statutes, sections 167.50 to 167.52, and by the Minnesota  
 37.3 Constitution, article XIV, section 11, at the times and in the amounts requested by the  
 37.4 commissioner of transportation. The proceeds of the bonds, except accrued interest and any  
 37.5 premium received from the sale of the bonds, must be deposited in the bond proceeds account  
 37.6 in the trunk highway fund.

### 37.7 **ARTICLE 3**

### 37.8 **TRANSPORTATION FINANCE**

37.9 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 162.145, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

37.10 Subd. 2. **Small cities assistance account.** A small cities assistance account is created  
 37.11 in the special revenue fund. The account consists of funds as provided by law, and any other  
 37.12 money donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account. Money in the  
 37.13 account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of transportation and may only be  
 37.14 expended as provided under this section.

37.15 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 162.145, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

37.16 Subd. 3. **Administration.** ~~(a) Subject to funds made available by law,~~ The commissioner  
 37.17 must allocate all funds in the small cities assistance account as provided in subdivision 4  
 37.18 and must, by June 1, certify to the commissioner of revenue the amounts to be paid.

37.19 (b) Following certification from the commissioner, the commissioner of revenue must  
 37.20 distribute the specified funds to cities in the same manner as local government aid under  
 37.21 chapter 477A. An appropriation to the commissioner under this section is available to the  
 37.22 commissioner of revenue for the purposes specified in this paragraph.

37.23 (c) Notwithstanding other law to the contrary, in order to receive distributions under  
 37.24 this section, a city must conform to the standards in section 477A.017, subdivision 2. A city  
 37.25 that receives funds under this section must make and preserve records necessary to show  
 37.26 that the funds are spent in compliance with subdivision 5.

37.27 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 162.145, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

37.28 Subd. 4. **Distribution formula.** ~~(a) In each fiscal year in which funds are available under~~  
 37.29 ~~this section, the commissioner shall allocate funds to eligible cities.~~

37.30 ~~(b)~~ (a) The preliminary aid to each city is calculated as follows:

37.31 (1) five percent of funds allocated equally among all eligible cities;

38.1 (2) 35 percent of funds allocated proportionally based on each city's share of lane miles  
38.2 of municipal streets compared to total lane miles of municipal streets of all eligible cities;

38.3 (3) 35 percent of funds allocated proportionally based on each city's share of population  
38.4 compared to total population of all eligible cities; and

38.5 (4) 25 percent of funds allocated proportionally based on each city's share of state-aid  
38.6 adjustment factor compared to the sum of state-aid adjustment factors of all eligible cities.

38.7 ~~(e)~~ (b) The final aid to each city is calculated as the lesser of:

38.8 (1) the preliminary aid to the city multiplied by an aid factor; or

38.9 (2) the maximum aid.

38.10 ~~(d)~~ (c) The commissioner shall set the aid factor under paragraph ~~(e)~~ (b), which must be  
38.11 the same for all eligible cities, so that the total funds allocated under this subdivision equals  
38.12 the total amount available for the fiscal year.

38.13 Sec. 4. **[162.146] LARGER CITIES ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT.**

38.14 **Subdivision 1. Larger cities assistance account.** A larger cities assistance account is  
38.15 created as a special revenue account and established in the state treasury. The account  
38.16 consists of money allotted, appropriated, or transferred through gift or grant to the account.  
38.17 Money in the account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of transportation for  
38.18 apportionment among all the cities that are eligible to receive municipal state aid under  
38.19 sections 162.09 to 162.14.

38.20 **Subd. 2. Distribution formula.** The commissioner must apportion: (1) 50 percent of  
38.21 the money so that of that amount, each city receives the percentage that its population bears  
38.22 to the total population of all cities that are eligible to receive municipal state aid; and (2)  
38.23 50 percent of the money so that of that amount, each city receives the percentage that its  
38.24 money needs, as determined by the commissioner under section 162.13, subdivision 3, bears  
38.25 to the total money needs of all cities that are eligible to receive municipal state aid under  
38.26 sections 162.09 to 162.14.

38.27 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.013, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

38.28 Subd. 1a. **Passenger automobile; hearse.** (a) On passenger automobiles as defined in  
38.29 section 168.002, subdivision 24, and hearses, except as otherwise provided, the registration  
38.30 tax is calculated as \$10 plus:

39.1 (1) for a vehicle initially registered in Minnesota prior to November 16, 2020, ~~1.25~~ 1.54  
39.2 percent of the manufacturer's suggested retail price of the vehicle and the destination charge,  
39.3 subject to the adjustments in paragraphs (f) and (g); or

39.4 (2) for a vehicle initially registered in Minnesota on or after November 16, 2020, ~~1.285~~  
39.5 1.575 percent of the manufacturer's suggested retail price of the vehicle, subject to the  
39.6 adjustments in paragraphs (f) and (g).

39.7 (b) The registration tax calculation must not include the cost of each accessory or item  
39.8 of optional equipment separately added to the vehicle and the manufacturer's suggested  
39.9 retail price. The registration tax calculation must not include a destination charge, except  
39.10 for a vehicle previously registered in Minnesota prior to November 16, 2020.

39.11 (c) In the case of the first registration of a new vehicle sold or leased by a licensed dealer,  
39.12 the dealer may elect to individually determine the registration tax on the vehicle using  
39.13 manufacturer's suggested retail price information provided by the manufacturer. The registrar  
39.14 must use the manufacturer's suggested retail price determined by the dealer as provided in  
39.15 paragraph (d). A dealer that elects to make the determination must retain a copy of the  
39.16 manufacturer's suggested retail price label or other supporting documentation with the  
39.17 vehicle transaction records maintained under Minnesota Rules, part 7400.5200.

39.18 (d) The registrar must determine the manufacturer's suggested retail price:

39.19 (1) using list price information published by the manufacturer or any nationally  
39.20 recognized firm or association compiling such data for the automotive industry;

39.21 (2) if the list price information is unavailable, using the amount determined by a licensed  
39.22 dealer under paragraph (c);

39.23 (3) if a dealer does not determine the amount, using the retail price label as provided by  
39.24 the manufacturer under United States Code, title 15, section 1232; or

39.25 (4) if the retail price label is not available, using the actual sales price of the vehicle.

39.26 If the registrar is unable to ascertain the manufacturer's suggested retail price of any registered  
39.27 vehicle in the foregoing manner, the registrar may use any other available source or method.

39.28 (e) The registrar must calculate the registration tax using information available to dealers  
39.29 and deputy registrars at the time the initial application for registration is submitted.

39.30 (f) The amount under paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (2), must be calculated based on a  
39.31 percentage of the manufacturer's suggested retail price, as follows:

39.32 (1) during the first year of vehicle life, upon 100 percent of the price;

- 40.1 (2) for the second year, ~~90~~ 95 percent of the price;
- 40.2 (3) for the third year, ~~80~~ 90 percent of the price;
- 40.3 (4) for the fourth year, ~~70~~ 80 percent of the price;
- 40.4 (5) for the fifth year, ~~60~~ 70 percent of the price;
- 40.5 (6) for the sixth year, ~~50~~ 60 percent of the price;
- 40.6 (7) for the seventh year, ~~40~~ 50 percent of the price;
- 40.7 (8) for the eighth year, ~~30~~ 40 percent of the price;
- 40.8 (9) for the ninth year, ~~20~~ 25 percent of the price; and
- 40.9 (10) for the tenth year, ten percent of the price.
- 40.10 (g) For the 11th and each succeeding year, the amount under paragraph (a), clauses (1)
- 40.11 and (2), must be calculated as ~~\$25~~ \$20.
- 40.12 (h) Except as provided in subdivision 23, for any vehicle previously registered in
- 40.13 Minnesota and regardless of prior ownership, the total amount due under this subdivision
- 40.14 and subdivision 1m must not exceed the smallest total amount previously paid or due on
- 40.15 the vehicle.
- 40.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
- 40.17 applies to taxes payable for a registration period starting on or after January 1, 2024.
- 40.18 **Sec. 6. [168.1287] MINNESOTA BLACKOUT SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES.**
- 40.19 **Subdivision 1. Issuance of plates.** The commissioner must issue blackout special license
- 40.20 plates or a single motorcycle plate to an applicant who:
- 40.21 (1) is a registered owner of a passenger automobile, noncommercial one-ton pickup
- 40.22 truck, motorcycle, or recreational vehicle;
- 40.23 (2) pays an additional fee in the amount specified for special plates under section 168.12,
- 40.24 subdivision 5;
- 40.25 (3) pays the registration tax as required under section 168.013;
- 40.26 (4) pays the fees required under this chapter;
- 40.27 (5) contributes a minimum of \$30 annually to the trunk highway fund; and
- 40.28 (6) complies with this chapter and rules governing registration of motor vehicles and
- 40.29 licensing of drivers.

41.1 Subd. 2. **Design.** The commissioner must adopt a suitable plate design that includes a  
 41.2 black background with white text.

41.3 Subd. 3. **Plates transfer.** On application to the commissioner and payment of a transfer  
 41.4 fee of \$5, special plates issued under this section may be transferred to another motor vehicle  
 41.5 if the subsequent vehicle is:

41.6 (1) qualified under subdivision 1, clause (1), to bear the special plates; and

41.7 (2) registered to the same individual to whom the special plates were originally issued.

41.8 Subd. 4. **Exemption.** Special plates issued under this section are not subject to section  
 41.9 168.1293, subdivision 2.

41.10 Subd. 5. **Contributions; account.** Contributions collected under subdivision 1, clause  
 41.11 (5), must be deposited in the trunk highway fund.

41.12 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, for blackout special  
 41.13 plates issued on or after that date.

41.14 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 174.38, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

41.15 Subd. 3. **Active transportation account.** An active transportation account is established  
 41.16 in the special revenue fund. The account consists of funds provided by law and any other  
 41.17 money donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account. Money in the  
 41.18 account is annually appropriated to the commissioner and must be expended only on a  
 41.19 project projects that receives receive financial assistance under this section.

41.20 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297A.94, is amended to read:

41.21 **297A.94 DEPOSIT OF REVENUES.**

41.22 (a) Except as provided in this section, the commissioner shall deposit the revenues,  
 41.23 including interest and penalties, derived from the taxes imposed by this chapter in the state  
 41.24 treasury and credit them to the general fund.

41.25 (b) The commissioner shall deposit taxes in the Minnesota agricultural and economic  
 41.26 account in the special revenue fund if:

41.27 (1) the taxes are derived from sales and use of property and services purchased for the  
 41.28 construction and operation of an agricultural resource project; and

41.29 (2) the purchase was made on or after the date on which a conditional commitment was  
 41.30 made for a loan guaranty for the project under section 41A.04, subdivision 3.

42.1 The commissioner of management and budget shall certify to the commissioner the date on  
42.2 which the project received the conditional commitment. The amount deposited in the loan  
42.3 guaranty account must be reduced by any refunds and by the costs incurred by the Department  
42.4 of Revenue to administer and enforce the assessment and collection of the taxes.

42.5 (c) The commissioner shall deposit the revenues, including interest and penalties, derived  
42.6 from the taxes imposed on sales and purchases included in section 297A.61, subdivision 3,  
42.7 paragraph (g), clauses (1) and (4), in the state treasury, and credit them as follows:

42.8 (1) first to the general obligation special tax bond debt service account in each fiscal  
42.9 year the amount required by section 16A.661, subdivision 3, paragraph (b); and

42.10 (2) after the requirements of clause (1) have been met, the balance to the general fund.

42.11 (d) Beginning with sales taxes remitted after July 1, 2017, the commissioner shall deposit  
42.12 in the state treasury the revenues collected under section 297A.64, subdivision 1, including  
42.13 interest and penalties and minus refunds, and credit them to the highway user tax distribution  
42.14 fund.

42.15 (e) The commissioner shall deposit the revenues, including interest and penalties,  
42.16 collected under section 297A.64, subdivision 5, in the state treasury and credit them to the  
42.17 general fund. By July 15 of each year the commissioner shall transfer to the highway user  
42.18 tax distribution fund an amount equal to the excess fees collected under section 297A.64,  
42.19 subdivision 5, for the previous calendar year.

42.20 (f) Beginning with sales taxes remitted after July 1, 2017, in conjunction with the deposit  
42.21 of revenues under paragraph (d), the commissioner shall deposit into the state treasury and  
42.22 credit to the highway user tax distribution fund an amount equal to the estimated revenues  
42.23 derived from the tax rate imposed under section 297A.62, subdivision 1, on the lease or  
42.24 rental for not more than 28 days of rental motor vehicles subject to section 297A.64. The  
42.25 commissioner shall estimate the amount of sales tax revenue deposited under this paragraph  
42.26 based on the amount of revenue deposited under paragraph (d).

42.27 ~~(g) The commissioner shall deposit an amount of the remittances monthly into the state~~  
42.28 ~~treasury and credit them to the highway user tax distribution fund as a portion of the estimated~~  
42.29 ~~amount of taxes collected from the sale and purchase of motor vehicle repair and replacement~~  
42.30 ~~parts in that month. The monthly deposit amount is \$12,137,000. For purposes of this~~  
42.31 ~~paragraph, "motor vehicle" has the meaning given in section 297B.01, subdivision 11, and~~  
42.32 ~~"motor vehicle repair and replacement parts" includes (i) all parts, tires, accessories, and~~  
42.33 ~~equipment incorporated into or affixed to the motor vehicle as part of the motor vehicle~~  
42.34 ~~maintenance and repair, and (ii) paint, oil, and other fluids that remain on or in the motor~~

43.1 ~~vehicle as part of the motor vehicle maintenance or repair. For purposes of this paragraph,~~  
43.2 ~~"tire" means any tire of the type used on highway vehicles, if wholly or partially made of~~  
43.3 ~~rubber and if marked according to federal regulations for highway use. The commissioner~~  
43.4 ~~must deposit the revenues derived from the taxes imposed on the sale and purchase of motor~~  
43.5 ~~vehicle repair and replacement parts in the state treasury and credit:~~

43.6 (1) 47.5 percent in each year to the highway user tax distribution fund;

43.7 (2) to the general fund as follows:

43.8 (i) in fiscal year 2024, 50 percent;

43.9 (ii) in fiscal year 2025, 48 percent;

43.10 (iii) in fiscal year 2026, 46 percent;

43.11 (iv) in fiscal year 2027, 44 percent;

43.12 (v) in fiscal year 2028, 35 percent;

43.13 (vi) in fiscal year 2029, 28 percent;

43.14 (vii) in fiscal year 2030, 21 percent;

43.15 (viii) in fiscal year 2031, 14 percent;

43.16 (ix) in fiscal year 2032, seven percent; and

43.17 (x) in fiscal year 2033 and thereafter, zero percent; and

43.18 (3) the remainder in each year as follows:

43.19 (i) 60 percent to the county state-aid highway fund;

43.20 (ii) 22 percent to the municipal state-aid street fund;

43.21 (iii) nine percent to the small cities assistance account under section 162.145; and

43.22 (iv) nine percent to the larger cities assistance account under section 162.146.

43.23 (h) 72.43 percent of the revenues, including interest and penalties, transmitted to the  
43.24 commissioner under section 297A.65, must be deposited by the commissioner in the state  
43.25 treasury as follows:

43.26 (1) 50 percent of the receipts must be deposited in the heritage enhancement account in  
43.27 the game and fish fund, and may be spent only on activities that improve, enhance, or protect  
43.28 fish and wildlife resources, including conservation, restoration, and enhancement of land,  
43.29 water, and other natural resources of the state;

44.1 (2) 22.5 percent of the receipts must be deposited in the natural resources fund, and may  
44.2 be spent only for state parks and trails;

44.3 (3) 22.5 percent of the receipts must be deposited in the natural resources fund, and may  
44.4 be spent only on metropolitan park and trail grants;

44.5 (4) three percent of the receipts must be deposited in the natural resources fund, and  
44.6 may be spent only on local trail grants; and

44.7 (5) two percent of the receipts must be deposited in the natural resources fund, and may  
44.8 be spent only for the Minnesota Zoological Garden, the Como Park Zoo and Conservatory,  
44.9 and the Duluth Zoo.

44.10 (i) The revenue dedicated under paragraph (h) may not be used as a substitute for  
44.11 traditional sources of funding for the purposes specified, but the dedicated revenue shall  
44.12 supplement traditional sources of funding for those purposes. Land acquired with money  
44.13 deposited in the game and fish fund under paragraph (h) must be open to public hunting  
44.14 and fishing during the open season, except that in aquatic management areas or on lands  
44.15 where angling easements have been acquired, fishing may be prohibited during certain times  
44.16 of the year and hunting may be prohibited. At least 87 percent of the money deposited in  
44.17 the game and fish fund for improvement, enhancement, or protection of fish and wildlife  
44.18 resources under paragraph (h) must be allocated for field operations.

44.19 (j) The commissioner must deposit the revenues, including interest and penalties minus  
44.20 any refunds, derived from the sale of items regulated under section 624.20, subdivision 1,  
44.21 that may be sold to persons 18 years old or older and that are not prohibited from use by  
44.22 the general public under section 624.21, in the state treasury and credit:

44.23 (1) 25 percent to the volunteer fire assistance grant account established under section  
44.24 88.068;

44.25 (2) 25 percent to the fire safety account established under section 297I.06, subdivision  
44.26 3; and

44.27 (3) the remainder to the general fund.

44.28 For purposes of this paragraph, the percentage of total sales and use tax revenue derived  
44.29 from the sale of items regulated under section 624.20, subdivision 1, that are allowed to be  
44.30 sold to persons 18 years old or older and are not prohibited from use by the general public  
44.31 under section 624.21, is a set percentage of the total sales and use tax revenues collected in  
44.32 the state, with the percentage determined under Laws 2017, First Special Session chapter  
44.33 1, article 3, section 39.

45.1 (k) The revenues deposited under paragraphs (a) to (j) do not include the revenues,  
45.2 including interest and penalties, generated by the sales tax imposed under section 297A.62,  
45.3 subdivision 1a, which must be deposited as provided under the Minnesota Constitution,  
45.4 article XI, section 15.

45.5 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297A.99, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

45.6 Subdivision 1. **Authorization; scope.** (a) A political subdivision of this state may impose  
45.7 a general sales tax (1) under section 297A.992, (2) under section 297A.9925, (3) under  
45.8 section 297A.993, ~~(3)~~ (4) if permitted by special law, or ~~(4)~~ (5) if the political subdivision  
45.9 enacted and imposed the tax before January 1, 1982, and its predecessor provision.

45.10 (b) This section governs the imposition of a general sales tax by the political subdivision.  
45.11 The provisions of this section preempt the provisions of any special law:

45.12 (1) enacted before June 2, 1997, or

45.13 (2) enacted on or after June 2, 1997, that does not explicitly exempt the special law  
45.14 provision from this section's rules by reference.

45.15 (c) This section does not apply to or preempt a sales tax on motor vehicles. Beginning  
45.16 July 1, 2019, no political subdivision may impose a special excise tax on motor vehicles  
45.17 unless it is imposed under section 297A.993.

45.18 (d) A political subdivision may not advertise or expend funds for the promotion of a  
45.19 referendum to support imposing a local sales tax and may only spend funds related to  
45.20 imposing a local sales tax to:

45.21 (1) conduct the referendum;

45.22 (2) disseminate information included in the resolution adopted under subdivision 2, but  
45.23 only if the disseminated information includes a list of specific projects and the cost of each  
45.24 individual project;

45.25 (3) provide notice of, and conduct public forums at which proponents and opponents on  
45.26 the merits of the referendum are given equal time to express their opinions on the merits of  
45.27 the referendum;

45.28 (4) provide facts and data on the impact of the proposed local sales tax on consumer  
45.29 purchases; and

45.30 (5) provide facts and data related to the individual programs and projects to be funded  
45.31 with the local sales tax.

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

46.2 Sec. 10. **[297A.9925] METROPOLITAN REGION SALES AND USE TAX.**

46.3 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have  
46.4 the meanings given.

46.5 (b) "Metropolitan area" has the meaning given in section 473.121, subdivision 2.

46.6 (c) "Metropolitan Council" or "council" means the Metropolitan Council established by  
46.7 section 473.123.

46.8 (d) "Metropolitan sales tax" means the metropolitan region sales and use tax imposed  
46.9 under this section.

46.10 Subd. 2. **Sales tax imposition; rate.** The Metropolitan Council must impose a  
46.11 metropolitan region sales and use tax at a rate of one-half of one percent on retail sales and  
46.12 uses taxable under this chapter made in the metropolitan area or to a destination in the  
46.13 metropolitan area.

46.14 Subd. 3. **Administration; collection; enforcement.** Except as otherwise provided in  
46.15 this section, the provisions of section 297A.99, subdivisions 4, and 6 to 12a, govern the  
46.16 administration, collection, and enforcement of the metropolitan sales tax.

46.17 Subd. 4. **Deposit.** Proceeds of the metropolitan sales tax must be deposited as follows:

46.18 (1) 83 percent in the metropolitan area transit account under section 16A.88; and

46.19 (2) 17 percent in the county state-aid highway fund.

46.20 Subd. 5. **Revenue bonds.** (a) In addition to other authority granted in this section, and  
46.21 notwithstanding section 473.39, subdivision 7, or any other law to the contrary, the council  
46.22 may, by resolution, authorize the sale and issuance of revenue bonds, notes, or obligations  
46.23 to provide funds to (1) implement the council's transit capital improvement program, and  
46.24 (2) refund bonds issued under this subdivision.

46.25 (b) The bonds are payable from and secured by a pledge of all or part of the revenue  
46.26 received under subdivision 4, clause (1), and associated investment earnings on debt proceeds.  
46.27 The council may, by resolution, authorize the issuance of the bonds as general obligations  
46.28 of the council. The bonds must be sold, issued, and secured in the manner provided in  
46.29 chapter 475, and the council has the same powers and duties as a municipality and its  
46.30 governing body in issuing bonds under chapter 475, except that no election is required and  
46.31 the net debt limitations in chapter 475 do not apply to such bonds. The proceeds of the bonds

47.1 may also be used to fund necessary reserves and to pay credit enhancement fees, issuance  
 47.2 costs, and other financing costs during the life of the debt.

47.3 (c) The bonds may be secured by a bond resolution, or a trust indenture entered into by  
 47.4 the council with a corporate trustee within or outside the state, which must define the  
 47.5 revenues and bond proceeds pledged for the payment and security of the bonds. The pledge  
 47.6 must be a valid charge on the revenues received under section 297A.99, subdivision 11.  
 47.7 Neither the state, nor any municipality or political subdivision except the council, nor any  
 47.8 member or officer or employee of the council, is liable on the obligations. No mortgage or  
 47.9 security interest in any tangible real or personal property is granted to the bondholders or  
 47.10 the trustee, but they have a valid security interest in the revenues and bond proceeds received  
 47.11 by the council and pledged to the payment of the bonds. In the bond resolution or trust  
 47.12 indenture, the council may make such covenants as it determines to be reasonable for the  
 47.13 protection of the bondholders.

47.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following  
 47.15 final enactment for sales and purchases made after October 1, 2023, and applies in the  
 47.16 counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

47.17 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297B.02, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

47.18 Subdivision 1. **Rate.** (a) There is imposed an excise tax of ~~6.5~~ 6.875 percent on the  
 47.19 purchase price of any motor vehicle purchased or acquired, either in or outside of the state  
 47.20 of Minnesota, which is required to be registered under the laws of this state.

47.21 (b) The excise tax is also imposed on the purchase price of motor vehicles purchased or  
 47.22 acquired on Indian reservations when the tribal council has entered into a sales tax on motor  
 47.23 vehicles refund agreement with the state of Minnesota.

47.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for sales and purchases on or after July  
 47.25 1, 2023.

47.26 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297B.09, is amended to read:

47.27 **297B.09 ALLOCATION OF REVENUE.**

47.28 Subdivision 1. **Deposit of revenues.** (a) Money collected and received under this chapter  
 47.29 must be deposited ~~as provided in this subdivision.~~ as follows:

47.30 (b) ~~(1) 60 percent of the money collected and received must be deposited in the highway~~  
 47.31 user tax distribution fund, ~~36 percent must be deposited;~~

48.1 (2) 34.5 percent in the metropolitan area transit account under section 16A.88; and ~~four~~  
 48.2 ~~percent must be deposited~~

48.3 (3) 5.5 percent in the greater Minnesota transit account under section 16A.88.

48.4 ~~(e)~~ (b) It is the intent of the legislature that the allocations under paragraph (b) remain  
 48.5 unchanged for fiscal year ~~2012~~ 2024 and all subsequent fiscal years.

48.6 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

48.7 Sec. 13. **[473.4465] METROPOLITAN REGION SALES AND USE TAX**  
 48.8 **ALLOCATION.**

48.9 **Subdivision 1. Definition.** For purposes of this section, "sales tax revenue" means  
 48.10 revenue from the metropolitan region sales and use tax under section 297A.9925 that is  
 48.11 deposited in the metropolitan area transit account under section 16A.88.

48.12 **Subd. 2. Use of funds; Metropolitan Council.** (a) Sales tax revenue is available as  
 48.13 follows:

48.14 (1) five percent for the metropolitan area active transportation program under section  
 48.15 473.248; and

48.16 (2) 95 percent for transit system purposes under sections 473.371 to 473.452, including  
 48.17 but not limited to operations, maintenance, and capital projects.

48.18 (b) The council must annually expend a portion of sales tax revenue in each of the  
 48.19 following categories:

48.20 (1) improvements to regular route bus service levels;

48.21 (2) improvements related to transit safety, including additional transit officials, as defined  
 48.22 under section 473.4075;

48.23 (3) maintenance and improvements to bus accessibility at transit stops and transit centers;

48.24 (4) transit shelter replacement and improvements under section 473.41;

48.25 (5) planning and project development for expansion of arterial bus rapid transit lines;

48.26 (6) operations and capital maintenance of arterial bus rapid transit;

48.27 (7) planning and project development for expansion of highway bus rapid transit and  
 48.28 bus guideway lines;

48.29 (8) operations and capital maintenance of highway bus rapid transit and bus guideways;

49.1 (9) zero-emission bus procurement and associated costs in conformance with the  
49.2 zero-emission and electric transit vehicle transition plan under section 473.3927;

49.3 (10) demand response microtransit service provided by the council;

49.4 (11) financial assistance to replacement service providers under section 473.388, to  
49.5 provide for service, vehicle purchases, and capital investments related to demand response  
49.6 microtransit service; and

49.7 (12) financial assistance to political subdivisions and tax-exempt organizations under  
49.8 section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code for the metropolitan area active transportation  
49.9 program established in section 473.248.

49.10 Subd. 3. Use of funds; Department of Transportation. (a) Notwithstanding any other  
49.11 law to the contrary, the commissioner of transportation must allocate the funds deposited  
49.12 under section 297A.9925, subdivision 4, clause (2), to the metropolitan counties, as defined  
49.13 in section 473.121, subdivision 4, as follows:

49.14 (1) 50 percent apportioned among the counties so that each county receives of such  
49.15 amount the percentage that its population, as defined in section 477A.011, subdivision 3,  
49.16 bears to the total population of the counties receiving funds under this paragraph; and

49.17 (2) 50 percent apportioned among the counties so that each county receives of such  
49.18 amount the percentage that its money needs, as defined under section 162.07, subdivision  
49.19 2, bears to the sum of the money needs of all of the individual counties receiving funds  
49.20 under this paragraph.

49.21 Subd. 4. Tracking and information. (a) The council must maintain separate financial  
49.22 information on sales tax revenue that includes:

49.23 (1) a summary of annual revenue and expenditures, including but not limited to balances  
49.24 and anticipated revenue in the forecast period under section 16A.103; and

49.25 (2) for each of the categories specified under subdivision 2 in the most recent prior three  
49.26 fiscal years:

49.27 (i) specification of annual expenditures; and

49.28 (ii) an overview of the projects or services.

49.29 (b) The council must publish the information required under paragraph (a) on the council's  
49.30 website.

49.31 EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION. This section is effective October 1, 2023, and  
49.32 applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

50.1 **ARTICLE 4**  
 50.2 **DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES, DRIVER'S LICENSE AGENTS, AND DEPUTY**  
 50.3 **REGISTRARS (INDEPENDENT EXPERT REVIEW PROVISIONS)**

50.4 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.002, is amended by adding a subdivision  
 50.5 to read:

50.6 Subd. 12a. **Full-service provider.** "Full-service provider" means a person who is  
 50.7 appointed by the commissioner as both a deputy registrar under this chapter and a driver's  
 50.8 license agent under chapter 171 who provides all driver services, excluding International  
 50.9 Registration Plan and International Fuel Tax Agreement transactions. The commissioner is  
 50.10 not a full-service provider.

50.11 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.327, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

50.12 Subdivision 1. **Records and fees.** (a) Upon request by any person authorized in this  
 50.13 section, the commissioner ~~shall~~ or full-service provider must furnish a certified copy of any  
 50.14 driver's license record, instruction permit record, Minnesota identification card record,  
 50.15 vehicle registration record, vehicle title record, or accident record.

50.16 (b) Except as provided in subdivisions 4, 5a, and 5b, and other than accident records  
 50.17 governed under section 169.09, subdivision 13, the requester ~~shall~~ must pay a fee of \$10  
 50.18 for each certified record specified in paragraph (a) or a fee of \$9 for each record that is not  
 50.19 certified.

50.20 (c) Except as provided in subdivisions 4, 5a, and 5b, in addition to the record fee in  
 50.21 paragraph (b), the fee for a copy of the history of any vehicle title not in electronic format  
 50.22 is \$1 for each page of the historical record.

50.23 (d) ~~Fees~~ Of the fee collected by the commissioner under paragraph (b) for driver's license,  
 50.24 instruction permit, and Minnesota identification card records, ~~must be paid into the state~~  
 50.25 ~~treasury with 50 cents of each fee credited to~~ must be deposited in the general fund, and  
 50.26 ~~the remainder of the fees collected must be credited to~~ must be deposited in the driver and  
 50.27 vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund under section 299A.705. Of  
 50.28 the fee collected by a full-service provider under paragraph (b) for driver's license, instruction  
 50.29 permit, and Minnesota identification card records, the provider must transmit 50 cents to  
 50.30 the commissioner to be deposited in the general fund, and the provider must retain the  
 50.31 remainder.

50.32 (e) ~~Fees~~ Of the fee collected by the commissioner under paragraphs (b) and (c) for vehicle  
 50.33 registration or title records, ~~must be paid into the state treasury with 50 cents of each fee~~

51.1 ~~credited to~~ must be deposited in the general fund, and the remainder of the fees collected  
 51.2 ~~must be credited to~~ must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account  
 51.3 ~~in the special revenue fund specified in~~ under section 299A.705. Of the fee collected by a  
 51.4 full-service provider under paragraphs (b) and (c) for vehicle registration or title records,  
 51.5 the provider must transmit 50 cents of each fee to the commissioner to be deposited in the  
 51.6 general fund, and the provider must retain the remainder.

51.7 (f) Except as provided in subdivisions 4, 5a, and 5b, the commissioner ~~shall~~ must permit  
 51.8 a person to inquire into a record by the person's own electronic means for a fee of \$4.50 for  
 51.9 each inquiry, except that no fee may be charged when the requester is the subject of the  
 51.10 data. Of the fee collected by the commissioner:

51.11 (1) \$2.70 must be deposited in the general fund;

51.12 (2) for driver's license, instruction permit, or Minnesota identification card records, the  
 51.13 remainder must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the~~  
 51.14 ~~special revenue fund~~ under section 299A.705; and

51.15 (3) for vehicle title or registration records, the remainder must be deposited in the driver  
 51.16 and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~ under section 299A.705.

51.17 (g) Fees and the deposit of the fees for accident records and reports are governed by  
 51.18 section 169.09, subdivision 13.

51.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to record  
 51.20 requests made on or after that date.

51.21 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.327, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

51.22 Subd. 2. **Requests for information; surcharge on fee.** (a) Except as otherwise provided  
 51.23 in subdivision 3, the commissioner ~~shall~~ or full-service provider must impose a surcharge  
 51.24 of 50 cents on each fee charged by the commissioner or full-service provider under section  
 51.25 13.03, subdivision 3, for copies or electronic transmittals of public information about the  
 51.26 registration of a vehicle or an applicant, or holder of a driver's license, instruction permit,  
 51.27 or Minnesota identification card.

51.28 (b) The surcharge only applies to a fee imposed in response to a request made in person  
 51.29 ~~or,~~ by mail, or ~~to a request for transmittal through a computer modem~~ online. The surcharge  
 51.30 does not apply to the request of an individual for information about that individual's driver's  
 51.31 license, instruction permit, or Minnesota identification card or about vehicles registered or  
 51.32 titled in the individual's name. The surcharges collected by a full-service provider must be  
 51.33 transmitted to the commissioner to be deposited in the general fund.

52.1 (c) The surcharges collected by the commissioner under this subdivision must be credited  
52.2 to the general fund. The surcharges collected by a full-service provider must be transmitted  
52.3 to the commissioner to be deposited in the general fund.

52.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to record  
52.5 requests made on or after that date.

52.6 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.327, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

52.7 Subd. 3. **Exception to fee and surcharge.** (a) Notwithstanding subdivision 2 or section  
52.8 13.03, a fee or surcharge may not be imposed in response to a request for public information  
52.9 about the registration of a vehicle if the commissioner or full-service provider is satisfied  
52.10 that:

52.11 (1) the requester seeks the information on behalf of a community-based, nonprofit  
52.12 organization designated by a local law enforcement agency to be a requester; and

52.13 (2) the information is needed to identify suspected prostitution law violators, controlled  
52.14 substance law violators, or health code violators.

52.15 (b) The commissioner ~~shall~~ or full-service provider must not require a requester under  
52.16 paragraph (a) to make a minimum number of data requests or limit the requester to a  
52.17 maximum number of data requests.

52.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to record  
52.19 requests made on or after that date.

52.20 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.327, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
52.21 read:

52.22 Subd. 7. **Monitoring and auditing.** The commissioner must monitor and audit the  
52.23 furnishing of records by full-service providers under this section to ensure full-service  
52.24 providers are complying with this section, chapter 13, and United States Code, title 18,  
52.25 section 2721, et seq.

52.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024.

52.27 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.33, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

52.28 Subd. 7. **Filing fees and surcharge; allocations.** (a) In addition to all other statutory  
52.29 fees and taxes, ~~a filing fee of:~~

53.1 (1) a \$7 filing fee is imposed on every vehicle registration renewal, excluding pro rate  
53.2 transactions; ~~and~~

53.3 (2) a \$7.50 surcharge is imposed on the fee for every vehicle registration renewal,  
53.4 excluding pro rate transactions; and

53.5 (3) an \$11 filing fee is imposed on every other type of vehicle transaction, including  
53.6 motor carrier fuel licenses under sections 168D.05 and 168D.06, and pro rate transactions.

53.7 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a):

53.8 (1) a filing fee may not be charged for a document returned for a refund or for a correction  
53.9 of an error made by the Department of Public Safety, a dealer, or a deputy registrar; and

53.10 (2) no filing fee or other fee may be charged for the permanent surrender of a title for a  
53.11 vehicle.

53.12 (c) The filing fee and surcharge must be shown as a separate item on all registration  
53.13 renewal notices sent out by the commissioner.

53.14 (d) The statutory fees and taxes, and the filing fees and surcharge imposed under  
53.15 paragraph (a) may be paid by credit card or debit card. The deputy registrar may collect a  
53.16 surcharge on the statutory fees, taxes, statutory surcharge, and filing fee not greater than  
53.17 the cost of processing a credit card or debit card transaction, in accordance with emergency  
53.18 rules established by the commissioner of public safety. The surcharge authorized by this  
53.19 paragraph must be used to pay the cost of processing credit and debit card transactions.

53.20 (e) The fees collected under ~~this subdivision~~ paragraph (a) by the department must be  
53.21 allocated as follows:

53.22 (1) of the fees collected under paragraph (a), clause (1):

53.23 (i) \$5.50 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account under  
53.24 section 299A.705, subdivision 1; and

53.25 (ii) \$1.50 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services technology account under  
53.26 section 299A.705, subdivision 3; and

53.27 (2) of the fees collected under paragraph (a), clause ~~(2)~~ (3):

53.28 (i) \$3.50 must be deposited in the general fund;

53.29 (ii) ~~\$6.00~~ \$6 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account  
53.30 under section 299A.705, subdivision 1; and

54.1 (iii) \$1.50 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services technology account under  
 54.2 section 299A.705, subdivision 3.

54.3 (f) The surcharge collected under paragraph (a), clause (2), must be allocated as follows:

54.4 (1) one-third of the revenue must be deposited in the small cities assistance account  
 54.5 under section 162.145;

54.6 (2) one-third of the revenue must be deposited in the larger cities assistance account  
 54.7 under section 162.146; and

54.8 (3) one-third of the revenue must be deposited in the town road account under section  
 54.9 162.081.

54.10 (g) In addition to all other statutory fees and taxes, a \$1 surcharge is imposed on every  
 54.11 online transaction for which filing fees are collected under this subdivision. The proceeds  
 54.12 from the surcharge must be deposited in the full-service provider account under section  
 54.13 299A.705, subdivision 5.

54.14 (h) In addition to all other statutory fees and taxes, a deputy registrar must assess a \$0.50  
 54.15 surcharge on every transaction for which filing fees are collected under this subdivision.  
 54.16 The surcharge must be (1) deposited in the treasury of the place for which the deputy registrar  
 54.17 is appointed, or (2) if the deputy registrar is not a public official, retained by the deputy  
 54.18 registrar. For purposes of this paragraph, "deputy registrar" includes a deputy registrar who  
 54.19 is a full-service provider.

54.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, except that paragraphs (g)  
 54.21 and (h) are effective July 1, 2025.

54.22 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.345, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

54.23 Subd. 2. **Lessees; information.** The commissioner may not furnish information about  
 54.24 registered owners of passenger automobiles who are lessees under a lease for a term of 180  
 54.25 days or more to any person except the owner of the vehicle, the lessee, personnel of law  
 54.26 enforcement agencies and trade associations performing a member service under section  
 54.27 604.15, subdivision 4a, and federal, state, and local governmental units, and, at the  
 54.28 commissioner's discretion, to persons who use the information to notify lessees of automobile  
 54.29 recalls. The commissioner may release information about lessees in the form of summary  
 54.30 data, as defined in section 13.02, to persons who use the information in conducting statistical  
 54.31 analysis and market research.

55.1 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.09, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

55.2 Subd. 13. **Reports confidential; evidence, fee, penalty, appropriation.** (a) All reports  
55.3 and supplemental information required under this section must be for the use of the  
55.4 commissioner of public safety and other appropriate state, federal, county, and municipal  
55.5 governmental agencies for accident analysis purposes, except:

55.6 (1) upon written request, the commissioner of public safety, a full-service provider as  
55.7 defined in section 171.01, subdivision 33a, or any law enforcement agency ~~shall~~ must  
55.8 disclose the report required under subdivision 8 to:

55.9 (i) any individual involved in the accident, the representative of the individual's estate,  
55.10 or the surviving spouse, or one or more surviving next of kin, or a trustee appointed under  
55.11 section 573.02;

55.12 (ii) any other person injured in person, property, or means of support, or who incurs  
55.13 other pecuniary loss by virtue of the accident;

55.14 (iii) legal counsel of a person described in item (i) or (ii);

55.15 (iv) a representative of the insurer of any person described in item (i) or (ii); or

55.16 (v) a city or county attorney or an attorney representing the state in an implied consent  
55.17 action who is charged with the prosecution of a traffic or criminal offense that is the result  
55.18 of a traffic crash investigation conducted by law enforcement;

55.19 ~~(2) the commissioner of public safety shall, upon written request, provide the driver~~  
55.20 ~~filing a report under subdivision 7 with a copy of the report filed by the driver;~~

55.21 ~~(3)~~ (2) the commissioner of public safety may verify with insurance companies vehicle  
55.22 insurance information to enforce sections 65B.48, 169.792, 169.793, 169.796, and 169.797;

55.23 ~~(4)~~ (3) the commissioner of public safety ~~shall~~ must provide the commissioner of  
55.24 transportation the information obtained for each traffic accident involving a commercial  
55.25 motor vehicle, for purposes of administering commercial vehicle safety regulations;

55.26 ~~(5)~~ (4) upon specific request, the commissioner of public safety ~~shall~~ must provide the  
55.27 commissioner of transportation the information obtained regarding each traffic accident  
55.28 involving damage to identified state-owned infrastructure, for purposes of debt collection  
55.29 under section 161.20, subdivision 4; and

55.30 ~~(6)~~ (5) the commissioner of public safety may give to the United States Department of  
55.31 Transportation commercial vehicle accident information in connection with federal grant  
55.32 programs relating to safety.

56.1 (b) Accident reports and data contained in the reports are not discoverable under any  
56.2 provision of law or rule of court. ~~No report shall~~ A report must not be used as evidence in  
56.3 any trial, civil or criminal, or any action for damages or criminal proceedings arising out  
56.4 of an accident. However, the commissioner of public safety ~~shall~~ must furnish, upon the  
56.5 demand of any person who has or claims to have made a report or upon demand of any  
56.6 court, a certificate showing that a specified accident report has or has not been made to the  
56.7 commissioner solely to prove compliance or failure to comply with the requirements that  
56.8 the report be made to the commissioner.

56.9 (c) Nothing in this subdivision prevents any individual who has made a report under  
56.10 this section from providing information to any individuals involved in an accident or their  
56.11 representatives or from testifying in any trial, civil or criminal, arising out of an accident,  
56.12 as to facts within the individual's knowledge. It is intended by this subdivision to render  
56.13 privileged the reports required, but it is not intended to prohibit proof of the facts to which  
56.14 the reports relate.

56.15 (d) Disclosing any information contained in any accident report, except as provided in  
56.16 this subdivision, section 13.82, subdivision 3 or 6, or other statutes, is a misdemeanor.

56.17 (e) The commissioner of public safety ~~shall~~ or full-service provider as defined in section  
56.18 171.01, subdivision 33a, must charge authorized persons as described in paragraph (a) a \$5  
56.19 fee for a copy of an accident report. Ninety percent of the \$5 fee collected by the  
56.20 commissioner under this paragraph must be deposited in ~~the special revenue fund and~~  
56.21 ~~credited to the driver and vehicle~~ services operating account established in section 299A.705  
56.22 and ten percent must be deposited in the general fund. Of the \$5 fee collected by a full-service  
56.23 provider, the provider must transmit 50 cents to the commissioner to be deposited into the  
56.24 general fund, and the provider must retain the remainder. The commissioner may also furnish  
56.25 an electronic copy of the database of accident records, which must not contain personal or  
56.26 private data on an individual, to private agencies as provided in paragraph (g), for not less  
56.27 than the cost of preparing the copies on a bulk basis as provided in section 13.03, subdivision  
56.28 3.

56.29 (f) The fees specified in paragraph (e) notwithstanding, the commissioner and law  
56.30 enforcement agencies ~~shall~~ must charge commercial users who request access to response  
56.31 or incident data relating to accidents a fee not to exceed 50 cents per record. "Commercial  
56.32 user" is a user who in one location requests access to data in more than five accident reports  
56.33 per month, unless the user establishes that access is not for a commercial purpose. Of the  
56.34 money collected by the commissioner under this paragraph, 90 percent must be deposited  
56.35 in ~~the special revenue fund and credited to the driver and vehicle~~ services operating account

57.1 ~~established in~~ under section 299A.705 and ten percent must be deposited in the general  
57.2 fund.

57.3 (g) The fees in paragraphs (e) and (f) notwithstanding, the commissioner ~~shall~~ must  
57.4 provide an electronic copy of the accident records database to the public on a case-by-case  
57.5 basis using the cost-recovery charges provided for under section 13.03, subdivision 3. The  
57.6 database provided must not contain personal or private data on an individual. However,  
57.7 unless the accident records database includes the vehicle identification number, the  
57.8 commissioner ~~shall~~ must include the vehicle registration plate number if a private agency  
57.9 certifies and agrees that the agency:

57.10 (1) is in the business of collecting accident and damage information on vehicles;

57.11 (2) will use the vehicle registration plate number only for identifying vehicles that have  
57.12 been involved in accidents or damaged, to provide this information to persons seeking access  
57.13 to a vehicle's history and not for identifying individuals or for any other purpose; and

57.14 (3) will be subject to the penalties and remedies under sections 13.08 and 13.09.

57.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to record  
57.16 requests made on or after that date.

57.17 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.09, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
57.18 read:

57.19 **Subd. 20. Monitoring and auditing.** The commissioner must monitor and audit the  
57.20 furnishing of records by full-service providers under this section to ensure full-service  
57.21 providers are complying with this section, chapter 13, and United States Code, title 18,  
57.22 section 2721, et seq.

57.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024.

57.24 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
57.25 read:

57.26 **Subd. 33a. Full-service provider.** "Full-service provider" has the meaning given in  
57.27 section 168.002, subdivision 12a.

57.28 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.06, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
57.29 read:

57.30 **Subd. 12. Preapplication.** (a) The commissioner must establish a process for an applicant  
57.31 to submit an electronic preapplication for a driver's license or identification card. The

58.1 commissioner must design the preapplication so that the applicant must enter information  
 58.2 required for the application. The preapplication process must generate a list of documents  
 58.3 the applicant is required to submit in person at the time of the application. At the time an  
 58.4 individual schedules an appointment to apply for a driver's license or identification card,  
 58.5 the commissioner, full-service provider, or driver's license agent who is scheduling the  
 58.6 appointment must provide to the applicant a link to the preapplication website.

58.7 (b) An applicant who submitted a preapplication is required to appear in person before  
 58.8 the commissioner, a full-service provider, or a driver's license agent to submit a completed  
 58.9 application for the driver's license or identification card.

58.10 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

58.11 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.061, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

58.12 Subd. 4. **Fee; equipment.** (a) The agent may charge and retain a filing fee of \$8 for each  
 58.13 application; as follows:

58.14 (1) New application for a noncompliant, REAL ID-compliant, or \$ 16.00  
 58.15 enhanced driver's license or identification card

58.16 (2) Renewal application for a noncompliant, REAL ID-compliant, or \$ 11.00  
 58.17 enhanced driver's license or identification card

58.18 Except as provided in paragraph (c), the fee ~~shall~~ must cover all expenses involved in  
 58.19 receiving, accepting, or forwarding to the department the applications and fees required  
 58.20 under sections 171.02, subdivision 3; 171.06, subdivisions 2 and 2a; and 171.07, subdivisions  
 58.21 3 and 3a.

58.22 (b) The statutory fees and the filing fees imposed under paragraph (a) may be paid by  
 58.23 credit card or debit card. The driver's license agent may collect a convenience fee on the  
 58.24 statutory fees and filing fees not greater than the cost of processing a credit card or debit  
 58.25 card transaction. The convenience fee must be used to pay the cost of processing credit card  
 58.26 and debit card transactions. The commissioner ~~shall~~ must adopt rules to administer this  
 58.27 paragraph using the exempt procedures of section 14.386, except that section 14.386,  
 58.28 paragraph (b), does not apply.

58.29 (c) The department ~~shall~~ must maintain the photo identification and vision examination  
 58.30 equipment for all agents ~~appointed as of January 1, 2000. Upon the retirement, resignation,~~  
 58.31 ~~death, or discontinuance of an existing agent, and if a new agent is appointed in an existing~~  
 58.32 ~~office pursuant to Minnesota Rules, chapter 7404, and notwithstanding the above or~~  
 58.33 ~~Minnesota Rules, part 7404.0400, the department shall provide and maintain photo~~  
 58.34 ~~identification equipment without additional cost to a newly appointed agent in that office~~

59.1 ~~if the office was provided the equipment by the department before January 1, 2000.~~ All  
 59.2 photo identification and vision examination equipment must be compatible with standards  
 59.3 established by the department.

59.4 (d) A filing fee retained by the agent employed by a county board must be paid into the  
 59.5 county treasury and credited to the general revenue fund of the county. An agent who is not  
 59.6 an employee of the county ~~shall~~ must retain the filing fee in lieu of county employment or  
 59.7 salary and is considered an independent contractor for pension purposes, coverage under  
 59.8 the Minnesota State Retirement System, or membership in the Public Employees Retirement  
 59.9 Association.

59.10 (e) Before the end of the first working day following the final day of the reporting period  
 59.11 established by the department, the agent must forward to the department all applications  
 59.12 and fees collected during the reporting period except as provided in paragraph (d).

59.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective October 1, 2023, and applies to  
 59.14 applications made on or after that date.

59.15 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.0705, is amended by adding a subdivision  
 59.16 to read:

59.17 Subd. 11. **Manual and study material availability.** The commissioner must publish  
 59.18 the driver's manual and study support materials for the written exam and skills exam. The  
 59.19 study support materials must focus on the subjects and skills that are most commonly failed  
 59.20 by exam takers. The commissioner must ensure that the driver's manual and study support  
 59.21 materials are easily located and are available for no cost.

59.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

59.23 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.12, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

59.24 Subd. 1a. **Driver and vehicle services information system; security and auditing.** (a)  
 59.25 The commissioner must establish written procedures to ensure that only individuals  
 59.26 authorized by law may enter, update, or access not public data collected, created, or  
 59.27 maintained by the driver and vehicle services information system. An authorized individual's  
 59.28 ability to enter, update, or access data in the system must correspond to the official duties  
 59.29 or training level of the individual and to the statutory authorization granting access for that  
 59.30 purpose. All queries and responses, and all actions in which data are entered, updated,  
 59.31 accessed, shared, or disseminated, must be recorded in a data audit trail. Data contained in  
 59.32 the audit trail are public to the extent the data are not otherwise classified by law.

60.1 (b) ~~If the commissioner must immediately and permanently revoke the authorization of~~  
 60.2 ~~any~~ determines that an individual who willfully entered, updated, accessed, shared, or  
 60.3 disseminated data in violation of state or federal law, the commissioner must impose  
 60.4 disciplinary action. If an individual willfully gained access to data without authorization by  
 60.5 law, the commissioner must forward the matter to the appropriate prosecuting authority for  
 60.6 prosecution. The commissioner must not impose disciplinary action against an individual  
 60.7 who properly accessed data to complete an authorized transaction or to resolve an issue that  
 60.8 did not result in a completed authorized transaction.

60.9 (c) The commissioner must establish a process that allows an individual who was subject  
 60.10 to disciplinary action to appeal the action. If the commissioner imposes disciplinary action,  
 60.11 the commissioner must notify the individual in writing of the action, explain the reason for  
 60.12 the action, and explain how to appeal the action. The commissioner must transmit the  
 60.13 notification within five calendar days of the action.

60.14 (d) The commissioner must arrange for an independent biennial audit of the driver and  
 60.15 vehicle services information system to determine whether data currently in the system are  
 60.16 classified correctly, how the data are used, and to verify compliance with this subdivision.  
 60.17 The results of the audit are public. No later than 30 days following completion of the audit,  
 60.18 the commissioner must provide a report summarizing the audit results to the commissioner  
 60.19 of administration; the chairs and ranking minority members of the committees of the house  
 60.20 of representatives and the senate with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance,  
 60.21 public safety, and data practices; and the Legislative Commission on Data Practices and  
 60.22 Personal Data Privacy. The report must be submitted as required under section 3.195, except  
 60.23 that printed copies are not required.

60.24 (e) For purposes of this subdivision, "disciplinary action" means a formal or informal  
 60.25 disciplinary measure, including but not limited to requiring corrective action or suspending  
 60.26 or revoking the individual's access to the driver and vehicle information system.

60.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective October 1, 2023. Paragraphs (b), (c),  
 60.28 and (e) apply to audits of data use that are open on or after October 1, 2023.

60.29 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.13, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

60.30 Subdivision 1. **Examination subjects and locations; provisions for color blindness,**  
 60.31 **disabled veterans.** (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the commissioner ~~shall~~  
 60.32 must examine each applicant for a driver's license by such agency as the commissioner  
 60.33 directs. This examination must include:

61.1 (1) a test of the applicant's eyesight, provided that this requirement is met by submission  
61.2 of a vision examination certificate under section 171.06, subdivision 7;

61.3 (2) a test of the applicant's ability to read and understand highway signs regulating,  
61.4 warning, and directing traffic;

61.5 (3) a test of the applicant's knowledge of (i) traffic laws; (ii) the effects of alcohol and  
61.6 drugs on a driver's ability to operate a motor vehicle safely and legally, and of the legal  
61.7 penalties and financial consequences resulting from violations of laws prohibiting the  
61.8 operation of a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs; (iii) railroad  
61.9 grade crossing safety; (iv) slow-moving vehicle safety; (v) laws relating to pupil  
61.10 transportation safety, including the significance of school bus lights, signals, stop arm, and  
61.11 passing a school bus; (vi) traffic laws related to bicycles; and (vii) the circumstances and  
61.12 dangers of carbon monoxide poisoning;

61.13 (4) an actual demonstration of ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the  
61.14 operation of a motor vehicle; and

61.15 (5) other physical and mental examinations as the commissioner finds necessary to  
61.16 determine the applicant's fitness to operate a motor vehicle safely upon the highways.

61.17 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), the commissioner must not deny an application for  
61.18 a driver's license based on the exclusive grounds that the applicant's eyesight is deficient in  
61.19 color perception or that the applicant has been diagnosed with diabetes mellitus. War veterans  
61.20 operating motor vehicles especially equipped for disabled persons, if otherwise entitled to  
61.21 a license, must be granted such license.

61.22 ~~(c) The commissioner shall make provision for giving the examinations under this~~  
61.23 ~~subdivision either in the county where the applicant resides or at a place adjacent thereto~~  
61.24 ~~reasonably convenient to the applicant.~~

61.25 ~~(d) The commissioner shall ensure that an applicant is able to obtain an appointment for~~  
61.26 ~~an examination to demonstrate ability under paragraph (a), clause (4), within 14 days of the~~  
61.27 ~~applicant's request if, under the applicable statutes and rules of the commissioner, the~~  
61.28 ~~applicant is eligible to take the examination.~~

61.29 (c) The commissioner must ensure that no fewer than the following number of exam  
61.30 station locations are available:

61.31 (1) after July 1, 2023, and before July 1, 2024, 93 exam stations;

61.32 (2) after July 1, 2024, and before July 1, 2025, 83 exam stations;

62.1 (3) after July 1, 2025, and before July 1, 2026, 73 exam stations; and

62.2 (4) after July 1, 2026, and thereafter, 60 exam stations.

62.3 The commissioner must ensure that an applicant may take an exam either in the county  
62.4 where the applicant resides or in an adjacent county at a reasonably convenient location.

62.5 The schedule for each exam station must be posted on the department's website.

62.6 (d) A located exam station must be open a minimum of one day per week.

62.7 (e) The commissioner must provide real-time information on the department's website  
62.8 about the availability and location of exam appointments. The website must show the next  
62.9 available exam dates and times for each exam station. The website must also provide an  
62.10 option for a person to enter an address to see the date and time of the next available exam  
62.11 at each exam station sorted by distance from the address provided. The information must  
62.12 be easily accessible and must not require a person to sign in or provide any other information,  
62.13 except an address, in order to see available exam dates.

62.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023. Paragraph (d) is effective  
62.15 July 1, 2026. Paragraph (e) is effective January 1, 2024.

62.16 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.13, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

62.17 Subd. 1a. **Waiver when license issued by another jurisdiction.** (a) If the commissioner  
62.18 determines that an applicant 21 years of age or older possesses a valid driver's license issued  
62.19 by another state, United States territory, or jurisdiction that requires a comparable  
62.20 examination for obtaining a driver's license, the commissioner ~~may~~ must waive the  
62.21 requirement requirements that the applicant pass a written knowledge examination and  
62.22 demonstrate ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the operation of a motor  
62.23 vehicle ~~on determining that the applicant possesses a valid driver's license issued by a~~  
62.24 ~~jurisdiction that requires a comparable demonstration for license issuance.~~

62.25 (b) If the commissioner determines that an applicant 21 years of age or older possesses  
62.26 a valid driver's license with a two-wheeled vehicle endorsement issued by another state,  
62.27 United States territory, or jurisdiction that requires a comparable examination for obtaining  
62.28 the endorsement, the commissioner must waive the requirements that the applicant for a  
62.29 two-wheeled vehicle endorsement pass a written knowledge examination and demonstrate  
62.30 the ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the operation of a motor vehicle.

62.31 (c) For purposes of this subdivision, "jurisdiction" includes, but is not limited to, both  
62.32 the active and reserve components of any branch or unit of the United States armed forces,  
62.33 and "valid driver's license" includes any driver's license that is recognized by that branch

63.1 or unit as currently being valid, or as having been valid at the time of the applicant's  
 63.2 separation or discharge from the military within a period of time deemed reasonable and  
 63.3 fair by the commissioner, up to and including one year past the date of the applicant's  
 63.4 separation or discharge.

63.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023, and applies to applications  
 63.6 made on or after that date.

63.7 Sec. 17. **[171.375] STUDENT PASS RATE.**

63.8 (a) For each driver training school, the commissioner must determine the percentage of  
 63.9 students from that school who pass the written exam or road test on the student's first attempt,  
 63.10 second attempt, or third or subsequent attempt. The commissioner must publicly post the  
 63.11 information collected under this section on the department's website. At a minimum, the  
 63.12 commissioner must update this information on the department's website at least every six  
 63.13 months. The information must be searchable by the name of a school or a location.

63.14 (b) By January 1 and July 1 of each year, each driver training school must provide to  
 63.15 the commissioner a list of all students who completed coursework at the school during the  
 63.16 previous six months.

63.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Paragraph (a) is effective January 1, 2024. Paragraph (b) is  
 63.18 effective July 1, 2024, and applies to lists submitted on or after that date.

63.19 Sec. 18. **[299A.704] DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES FUND.**

63.20 A driver and vehicle services fund is created in the state treasury. The fund consists of  
 63.21 accounts and money as specified by law and any other money otherwise donated, allotted,  
 63.22 or transferred to the fund.

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

63.24 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 299A.705, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

63.25 Subdivision 1. **Driver and vehicle services operating account.** (a) The driver and  
 63.26 vehicle services operating account is created in the ~~special revenue~~ driver and vehicle  
 63.27 services fund, consisting of all money from the vehicle services fees specified in chapters  
 63.28 168, 168A, and 168D, all money collected under chapter 171, and any other money donated,  
 63.29 allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account.

63.30 (b) Funds appropriated from the account must be used by the commissioner of public  
 63.31 safety to administer:

64.1 (1) the vehicle services specified in chapters 168, 168A, and 168D, and section 169.345,  
64.2 including:

64.3 ~~(1)~~ (i) designing, producing, issuing, and mailing vehicle registrations, plates, emblems,  
64.4 and titles;

64.5 ~~(2)~~ (ii) collecting title and registration taxes and fees;

64.6 ~~(3)~~ (iii) transferring vehicle registration plates and titles;

64.7 ~~(4)~~ (iv) maintaining vehicle records;

64.8 ~~(5)~~ (v) issuing disability certificates and plates;

64.9 ~~(6)~~ (vi) licensing vehicle dealers;

64.10 ~~(7)~~ (vii) appointing, monitoring, and auditing deputy registrars; and

64.11 ~~(8)~~ (viii) inspecting vehicles when required by law; and

64.12 (2) the driver services specified in chapters 169A and 171, including the activities  
64.13 associated with producing and mailing drivers' licenses and identification cards and notices  
64.14 relating to issuance, renewal, or withdrawal of driving and identification card privileges for  
64.15 any fiscal year or years and for the testing and examination of drivers.

64.16 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 299A.705, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

64.17 Subd. 3. **Driver and vehicle services technology account.** (a) The driver and vehicle  
64.18 services technology account is created in the ~~special revenue~~ driver and vehicle services  
64.19 fund, consisting of the technology surcharge collected as specified in chapters 168, 168A,  
64.20 and 171; the filing fee revenue collected under section 168.33, subdivision 7; and any other  
64.21 money donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account.

64.22 (b) Money in the account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of public safety  
64.23 for the development, deployment, and maintenance of the driver and vehicle services  
64.24 information systems.

64.25 (c) By January 15 of each year, the commissioner must submit a report to the chairs and  
64.26 ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation  
64.27 policy and finance concerning the account, which must include information on (1) total  
64.28 revenue deposited in the driver and vehicle services technology account, with a breakdown  
64.29 by sources of funds; and (2) an estimate of ongoing system maintenance costs, including a  
64.30 breakdown of the amounts spent by category.

65.1 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 299A.705, is amended by adding a subdivision  
65.2 to read:

65.3 Subd. 5. **Full-service provider account.** (a) The full-service provider account is created  
65.4 in the driver and vehicle services fund, consisting of surcharges described in section 168.33,  
65.5 subdivision 7, and any other money donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to  
65.6 the account.

65.7 (b) Money in the account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of public safety  
65.8 to distribute to full-service providers, as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 12a, and  
65.9 deputy registrars. The commissioner must distribute the money in the account as quarterly  
65.10 payments to each full-service provider and deputy registrar that was in operation during the  
65.11 previous quarter based proportionally on the total number of transactions completed by each  
65.12 full-service provider and deputy registrar. For the purposes of the distribution calculation  
65.13 in this paragraph, the number of transactions completed by a deputy registrar must first be  
65.14 multiplied by 0.2.

65.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and the first quarterly  
65.16 distribution must be made on or before October 15, 2023.

65.17 Sec. 22. **REPORT; DEPUTY REGISTRAR AND DRIVER'S LICENSE AGENT**  
65.18 **FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY.**

65.19 By July 1, 2024, the commissioner of public safety must report to the chairs and ranking  
65.20 minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation finance  
65.21 and policy an evaluation of deputy registrar and driver's license agent operations in the  
65.22 vehicle registration and driver's licensing system. The commissioner must engage with  
65.23 stakeholders in preparing and developing the report. The report, at a minimum, must:

65.24 (1) evaluate the current performance and impact of the quality of services provided by  
65.25 private deputy registrars and driver's license agents to the residents of Minnesota;

65.26 (2) evaluate and make recommendations on how to implement financial sustainability  
65.27 for private deputy registrars;

65.28 (3) detail the amount of financial assistance necessary to sustain a permanent role for  
65.29 private deputy registrars and driver's license agents;

65.30 (4) explain each proposed model of financial assistance or support for deputy registrars;

65.31 (5) detail a five-, ten-, and 20-year analysis on the role of deputy registrars and driver's  
65.32 license agents in the vehicle registration and driver's licensing system;

66.1 (6) evaluate and make recommendations on the long-term and market-rate financial  
 66.2 assistance necessary to transition away from private deputy registrars and driver's license  
 66.3 agents;

66.4 (7) explain and make recommendations on proposed legislation on the Division of Driver  
 66.5 and Vehicle Services assuming all of the services provided by private deputy registrars and  
 66.6 driver's license agents;

66.7 (8) identify and evaluate whether the Division of Driver and Vehicle Services has  
 66.8 sufficient financial resources to assume all the services provided by private deputy registrars  
 66.9 and driver's license agents; and

66.10 (9) propose legislation and make recommendations on fees and appropriations needed  
 66.11 for the Division of Driver and Vehicle Services to assume all services provided by deputy  
 66.12 registrars and driver's license agents.

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

66.14 **Sec. 23. REPORT; DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES RECOMMENDATIONS.**

66.15 (a) By January 15, 2024, the commissioner of public safety must report to the chairs and  
 66.16 ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation  
 66.17 finance and policy on driver and vehicle services recommendations and operations. The  
 66.18 report must:

66.19 (1) review recommendations from the independent expert review of driver and vehicle  
 66.20 services issued January 12, 2022, as identified under paragraph (b);

66.21 (2) review the recommendations made to the commissioner in the legislative auditor's  
 66.22 report on driver examination stations issued in March 2021;

66.23 (3) provide the commissioner's plan for exam station locations, including how many  
 66.24 exam stations will remain open and the locations of the exam stations;

66.25 (4) identify whether any limited driver's license agents are unable to become full-service  
 66.26 providers because of the restrictions in Minnesota Statutes, section 171.061, and Minnesota  
 66.27 Rules, chapter 7404, and, if so, whether the commissioner would recommend any exceptions  
 66.28 to allow the limited driver's license agent to participate in the fee-sharing provisions of this  
 66.29 act; and

66.30 (5) propose any statutory changes necessary or beneficial in implementing  
 66.31 recommendations under clauses (1) and (2).

- 67.1 (b) The report must include information on the independent expert review  
67.2 recommendations to:
- 67.3 (1) revise the deputy registrar and driver's license agent contracts to encourage all deputy  
67.4 registrars and driver's license agents to become or remain full-service providers as defined  
67.5 in Minnesota Statutes, section 168.002, subdivision 12a;
- 67.6 (2) determine how best to utilize certified and impartial third parties for administration  
67.7 of knowledge and road tests;
- 67.8 (3) implement data and reporting practices to assist the commissioner in making decisions  
67.9 focused on the residents of the state;
- 67.10 (4) conduct a staffing review that balances staff quantity and quality, leverages technology  
67.11 automations and configurations, and establishes performance standards and targets that  
67.12 meet the needs of the state;
- 67.13 (5) identify performance and service standards and create a deputy registrar performance  
67.14 scorecard and a driver's license agent performance scorecard that monitors user performance  
67.15 to ensure a consistently positive experience for Minnesotans;
- 67.16 (6) provide a rapid response communication method for situations where deputy registrars  
67.17 or driver's license agents need immediate support;
- 67.18 (7) explore ways to speed up background checks of new employees at the Division of  
67.19 Driver and Vehicle Services offices and deputy registrar offices, including using a police  
67.20 department or county sheriff;
- 67.21 (8) promote the preapplication process and expand the use of preapplications to all  
67.22 possible, relevant areas;
- 67.23 (9) evaluate and make recommendations to the legislature on areas where it is appropriate  
67.24 to make preapplications mandatory;
- 67.25 (10) adjust policies and practices to automate as many approval transactions as possible;
- 67.26 (11) determine the proper user level field needed by transaction type and explore  
67.27 additional differentiated user levels in MNDRIVE;
- 67.28 (12) allow deputy registrars to have increased visibility to and influence on the  
67.29 MNDRIVE enhancement process;
- 67.30 (13) engage a learning consultant and create a content strategy and communications  
67.31 campaign to meet the needs of Minnesota residents, including a feedback loop for continuous  
67.32 improvement and evolution;

68.1 (14) provide additional training and clear guidance regarding permissible use of records  
68.2 and enable in-application notation of usage other than for paid transactions;

68.3 (15) consider what security measures are appropriate at each deputy registrar or driver's  
68.4 license agent location, including the possible need for a security officer or for cameras with  
68.5 recording capabilities;

68.6 (16) offer training in de-escalation and negotiation techniques to all public-facing staff;

68.7 (17) examine the potential of allowing online applications for replacement class D drivers'  
68.8 licenses;

68.9 (18) conduct an analysis to determine whether extending the validity of a class D driver's  
68.10 license would benefit the residents of the state and make recommendations to the legislature  
68.11 on a renewal fee structure for renewal periods longer than four years but not more than nine  
68.12 years;

68.13 (19) explore options to encourage people to conduct transactions online or in person  
68.14 instead of by mail; and

68.15 (20) study the feasibility of splitting revenue from mail or online vehicle transactions  
68.16 between the commissioner and deputy registrars and full-service providers.

68.17 (c) For each of the recommendations under paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (2), and  
68.18 paragraph (b), the report must specify the status from one of the following categories:

68.19 (1) the recommendation is under ongoing active consideration or review, including to:

68.20 (i) describe the current state of the analysis; and

68.21 (ii) provide the anticipated timeline to conclude the review;

68.22 (2) the recommendation is in the process of being implemented, including to:

68.23 (i) describe how the recommendation is being implemented;

68.24 (ii) provide the anticipated timeline for implementation; and

68.25 (iii) provide an estimated cost of implementing the recommendation;

68.26 (3) the recommendation has been implemented, including to:

68.27 (i) describe when and how the recommendation was implemented;

68.28 (ii) describe the outcome of implementing the recommendation; and

68.29 (iii) provide an estimated cost of implementing the recommendation; or

68.30 (4) the recommendation will not be implemented, including to:

- 69.1 (i) provide a detailed explanation of why the recommendation will not be implemented;  
 69.2 (ii) provide an estimated cost to implement the recommendation;  
 69.3 (iii) provide an estimated timeline to implement the recommendation; and  
 69.4 (iv) describe any unmet needs that, if met, would allow the commissioner to implement  
 69.5 the recommendation.

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

69.7 **ARTICLE 5**  
 69.8 **DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES CONFORMING CHANGES**

69.9 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.013, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

69.10 Subd. 8. **Tax proceeds to highway user fund; fee proceeds to vehicle services**  
 69.11 **account.** (a) Unless otherwise specified in this chapter, the net proceeds of the registration  
 69.12 tax imposed under this chapter must be collected by the commissioner, paid into the state  
 69.13 treasury, and credited to the highway user tax distribution fund.

69.14 (b) All fees collected under this chapter, unless otherwise specified, must be deposited  
 69.15 in the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~ under section  
 69.16 299A.705.

69.17 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.1293, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

69.18 Subd. 7. **Deposit of fee; appropriation.** The commissioner shall deposit the application  
 69.19 fee under subdivision 2, paragraph (a), clause (3), in the driver and vehicle services operating  
 69.20 account ~~of the special revenue fund~~ under section 299A.705. An amount sufficient to pay  
 69.21 the department's cost in implementing and administering this section, including payment  
 69.22 of refunds under subdivision 4, is appropriated to the commissioner from that account.

69.23 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.1295, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

69.24 Subd. 5. **Contribution and fees credited.** Contributions under subdivision 1, paragraph  
 69.25 (a), clause (5), must be paid to the commissioner and credited to the state parks and trails  
 69.26 donation account established in section 85.056. The other fees collected under this section  
 69.27 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~of the special revenue~~  
 69.28 ~~fund~~ under section 299A.705.

70.1 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.1296, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

70.2 Subd. 5. **Contribution and fees credited.** Contributions under subdivision 1, paragraph  
70.3 (a), clause (5), must be paid to the commissioner and credited to the Minnesota critical  
70.4 habitat private sector matching account established in section 84.943. The fees collected  
70.5 under this section must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~of~~  
70.6 ~~the special revenue fund~~ under section 299A.705.

70.7 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.1298, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

70.8 Subd. 5. **Contribution and fees credited.** Contributions under subdivision 1, paragraph  
70.9 (a), clause (5), must be paid to the commissioner and credited to the Minnesota "Support  
70.10 Our Troops" account established in section 190.19. The fees collected under this section  
70.11 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue~~  
70.12 ~~fund~~ under section 299A.705.

70.13 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.27, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

70.14 Subd. 11. **Dealers' licenses; location change notice; fee.** (a) Application for a dealer's  
70.15 license or notification of a change of location of the place of business on a dealer's license  
70.16 must include a street address, not a post office box, and is subject to the commissioner's  
70.17 approval.

70.18 (b) Upon the filing of an application for a dealer's license and the proper fee, unless the  
70.19 application on its face appears to be invalid, the commissioner shall grant a 90-day temporary  
70.20 license. During the 90-day period following issuance of the temporary license, the  
70.21 commissioner shall inspect the place of business site and insure compliance with this section  
70.22 and rules adopted under this section.

70.23 (c) The commissioner may extend the temporary license 30 days to allow the temporarily  
70.24 licensed dealer to come into full compliance with this section and rules adopted under this  
70.25 section.

70.26 (d) In no more than 120 days following issuance of the temporary license, the dealer  
70.27 license must either be granted or denied.

70.28 (e) A license must be denied under the following conditions:

70.29 (1) The license must be denied if within the previous ten years the applicant was enjoined  
70.30 due to a violation of section 325F.69 or convicted of violating section 325E.14, 325E.15,  
70.31 325E.16, or 325F.69, or convicted under section 609.53 of receiving or selling stolen  
70.32 vehicles, or convicted of violating United States Code, title 49, sections 32701 to 32711 or

71.1 pleaded guilty, entered a plea of nolo contendere or no contest, or has been found guilty in  
 71.2 a court of competent jurisdiction of any charge of failure to pay state or federal income or  
 71.3 sales taxes or felony charge of forgery, embezzlement, obtaining money under false pretenses,  
 71.4 theft by swindle, extortion, conspiracy to defraud, or bribery.

71.5 (2) A license must be denied if the applicant has had a dealer license revoked within the  
 71.6 previous ten years.

71.7 (f) If the application is approved, the commissioner shall license the applicant as a dealer  
 71.8 for one year from the date the temporary license is granted and issue a certificate of license  
 71.9 that must include a distinguishing number of identification of the dealer. The license must  
 71.10 be displayed in a prominent place in the dealer's licensed place of business.

71.11 (g) Each initial application for a license must be accompanied by a fee of \$100 in addition  
 71.12 to the annual fee. The annual fee is \$150. The initial fees and annual fees must be paid into  
 71.13 the state treasury and credited to the general fund except that \$50 of each initial and annual  
 71.14 fee must be paid into the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue~~  
 71.15 ~~fund~~ under section 299A.705.

71.16 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.326, is amended to read:

71.17 **168.326 EXPEDITED DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES; FEE.**

71.18 (a) When an applicant requests and pays an expedited service fee of \$20, in addition to  
 71.19 other specified and statutorily mandated fees and taxes, the commissioner shall expedite  
 71.20 the processing of an application for a driver's license, driving instruction permit, Minnesota  
 71.21 identification card, or vehicle title transaction.

71.22 (b) A driver's license agent or deputy registrar may retain \$10 of the expedited service  
 71.23 fee for each expedited service request processed by the licensing agent or deputy registrar.

71.24 (c) When expedited service is requested, materials must be mailed or delivered to the  
 71.25 requester within three days of receipt of the expedited service fee excluding Saturdays,  
 71.26 Sundays, or the holidays listed in section 645.44, subdivision 5. The requester shall comply  
 71.27 with all relevant requirements of the requested document.

71.28 (d) The commissioner may decline to accept an expedited service request if it is apparent  
 71.29 at the time it is made that the request cannot be granted.

71.30 (e) The expedited service fees collected under this section ~~for an application for a driver's~~  
 71.31 ~~license, driving instruction permit, or Minnesota identification card~~ minus any portion  
 71.32 retained by a licensing agent or deputy registrar under paragraph (b) must be paid into the

72.1 driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund specified under~~  
72.2 section 299A.705.

72.3 ~~(f) The expedited service fees collected under this section for a transaction for a vehicle~~  
72.4 ~~service minus any portion retained by a licensing agent or deputy registrar under paragraph~~  
72.5 ~~(b) must be paid into the vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund~~  
72.6 ~~specified under section 299A.705.~~

72.7 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.327, subdivision 5b, is amended to read:

72.8 Subd. 5b. **Custom data request record fees.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision,  
72.9 "custom data request records" means a total of 1,000 or more (1) vehicle title records, (2)  
72.10 vehicle registration records, or (3) driver's license records.

72.11 (b) The commissioner must charge a fee of \$0.02 per record for custom data request  
72.12 records.

72.13 (c) Of the fees collected for custom data request records:

72.14 (1) 20 percent must be credited:

72.15 ~~(i) for vehicle title or registration records, to the~~ driver and vehicle services operating  
72.16 account under section 299A.705, subdivision 1, and is appropriated to the commissioner  
72.17 for the purposes of this subdivision; ~~and~~

72.18 ~~(ii) for driver's license records, to the driver services operating account under section~~  
72.19 ~~299A.705, subdivision 2, and is appropriated to the commissioner for the purposes of this~~  
72.20 ~~subdivision;~~

72.21 (2) 30 percent must be credited to the data security account in the special revenue fund  
72.22 under section 3.9741, subdivision 5; and

72.23 (3) 50 percent must be credited to the driver and vehicle services technology account  
72.24 under section 299A.705, subdivision 3.

72.25 (d) The commissioner may impose an additional fee for technical staff to create a custom  
72.26 set of data under this subdivision.

72.27 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.381, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

72.28 Subd. 4. **Appropriations.** (a) Money appropriated to the Department of Public Safety  
72.29 to procure the plates for any fiscal year or years is available for allotment, encumbrance,  
72.30 and expenditure from and after the date of the enactment of the appropriation. Materials

73.1 and equipment used in the manufacture of plates are subject only to the approval of the  
73.2 commissioner.

73.3 (b) This section contemplates that money to be appropriated to the Department of Public  
73.4 Safety to carry out the terms and provisions of this section will be appropriated by the  
73.5 legislature from the highway user tax distribution fund.

73.6 (c) A sum sufficient is appropriated annually from the driver and vehicle services  
73.7 operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~ under section 299A.705 to the commissioner  
73.8 to pay the costs of purchasing, delivering, and mailing plates, registration stickers, and  
73.9 registration notices.

73.10 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168A.152, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

73.11 Subd. 2. **Inspection fee; proceeds allocated.** (a) A fee of \$35 must be paid to the  
73.12 department before the department issues a certificate of title for a vehicle that has been  
73.13 inspected and for which a certificate of inspection has been issued pursuant to subdivision  
73.14 1. The only additional fee that may be assessed for issuing the certificate of title is the filing  
73.15 fee imposed under section 168.33, subdivision 7.

73.16 (b) Of the fee collected by the department under this subdivision, for conducting  
73.17 inspections under subdivision 1, \$20 must be deposited in the general fund and the remainder  
73.18 of the fee collected must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account  
73.19 ~~in the special revenue fund as specified in~~ under section 299A.705.

73.20 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168A.29, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

73.21 Subdivision 1. **Amounts.** (a) The department must be paid the following fees:

73.22 (1) for filing an application for and the issuance of an original certificate of title, \$8.25,  
73.23 of which \$4.15 must be paid into the driver and vehicle services operating account under  
73.24 section 299A.705, subdivision 1, and a surcharge of \$2.25 must be added to the fee and  
73.25 credited to the driver and vehicle services technology account under section 299A.705,  
73.26 subdivision 3;

73.27 (2) for each security interest when first noted upon a certificate of title, including the  
73.28 concurrent notation of any assignment thereof and its subsequent release or satisfaction,  
73.29 \$2, except that no fee is due for a security interest filed by a public authority under section  
73.30 168A.05, subdivision 8;

73.31 (3) for each assignment of a security interest when first noted on a certificate of title,  
73.32 unless noted concurrently with the security interest, \$1; and

74.1 (4) for issuing a duplicate certificate of title, \$7.25, of which \$3.25 must be paid into  
 74.2 the driver and vehicle services operating account under section 299A.705, subdivision 1,  
 74.3 and a surcharge of \$2.25 must be added to the fee and credited to the driver and vehicle  
 74.4 services technology account under section 299A.705, subdivision 3.

74.5 (b) In addition to the fee required under paragraph (a), clause (1), the department must  
 74.6 be paid \$3.50. The additional \$3.50 fee collected under this paragraph must be deposited  
 74.7 in the special revenue fund and credited to the public safety motor vehicle account established  
 74.8 in section 299A.70.

74.9 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168A.31, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

74.10 Subd. 2. **Expenses; appropriation.** All necessary expenses incurred by the department  
 74.11 for the administration of sections 168A.01 to 168A.31 must be paid from money in the  
 74.12 driver and vehicle services operating account ~~of the special revenue fund as specified in~~  
 74.13 under section 299A.705, and such funds are hereby appropriated.

74.14 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168D.06, is amended to read:

74.15 **168D.06 FUEL LICENSE FEES.**

74.16 License fees paid to the commissioner under the International Fuel Tax Agreement must  
 74.17 be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~  
 74.18 under section 299A.705. The commissioner shall charge an annual fuel license fee of \$15,  
 74.19 an annual application filing fee of \$13 for quarterly reporting of fuel tax, and a reinstatement  
 74.20 fee of \$100 to reinstate a revoked International Fuel Tax Agreement license.

74.21 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168D.07, is amended to read:

74.22 **168D.07 FUEL DECAL FEE.**

74.23 The commissioner shall issue a decal or other identification to indicate compliance with  
 74.24 the International Fuel Tax Agreement. The commissioner shall collect a fee for the decal  
 74.25 or other identification in the amount established in section 168.12, subdivision 5. Decal or  
 74.26 other identification fees paid to the commissioner under this section must be deposited in  
 74.27 the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~ under section  
 74.28 299A.705.

74.29 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169A.60, subdivision 16, is amended to read:

74.30 Subd. 16. **Fees credited.** Fees collected from the sale or reinstatement of license plates  
 74.31 under this section must be paid into the state treasury and credited one-half to the driver

75.1 ~~and vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund specified in~~ under section  
75.2 299A.705 and one-half to the general fund.

75.3 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.07, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

75.4 Subd. 11. **Standby or temporary custodian.** (a) Upon the written request of the applicant  
75.5 and upon payment of an additional fee of \$4.25, the department shall issue a driver's license  
75.6 or Minnesota identification card bearing a symbol or other appropriate identifier indicating  
75.7 that the license holder has appointed an individual to serve as a standby or temporary  
75.8 custodian under chapter 257B.

75.9 (b) The request must be accompanied by a copy of the designation executed under section  
75.10 257B.04.

75.11 (c) The department shall maintain a computerized records system of all individuals listed  
75.12 as standby or temporary custodians by driver's license and identification card applicants.  
75.13 This data must be released to appropriate law enforcement agencies under section 13.69.  
75.14 Upon a parent's request and payment of a fee of \$4.25, the department shall revise its list  
75.15 of standby or temporary custodians to reflect a change in the appointment.

75.16 (d) At the request of the license or cardholder, the department shall cancel the standby  
75.17 or temporary custodian indication without additional charge. However, this paragraph does  
75.18 not prohibit a fee that may be applicable for a duplicate or replacement license or card,  
75.19 renewal of a license, or other service applicable to a driver's license or identification card.

75.20 (e) Notwithstanding sections 13.08, subdivision 1, and 13.69, the department and  
75.21 department employees are conclusively presumed to be acting in good faith when employees  
75.22 rely on statements made, in person or by telephone, by persons purporting to be law  
75.23 enforcement and subsequently release information described in paragraph (b). When acting  
75.24 in good faith, the department and department personnel are immune from civil liability and  
75.25 not subject to suit for damages resulting from the release of this information.

75.26 (f) The department and its employees:

75.27 (1) have no duty to inquire or otherwise determine whether a designation submitted  
75.28 under this subdivision is legally valid and enforceable; and

75.29 (2) are immune from all civil liability and not subject to suit for damages resulting from  
75.30 a claim that the designation was not legally valid and enforceable.

75.31 (g) Of the fees received by the department under this subdivision:

75.32 (1) Up to \$61,000 received must be deposited in the general fund.

76.1 (2) All other fees must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account  
76.2 ~~in the special revenue fund specified in~~ under section 299A.705.

76.3 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.13, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

76.4 Subd. 7. **Examination fees.** (a) A fee of \$10 must be paid by an individual to take a  
76.5 third and any subsequent knowledge test administered by the department if the individual  
76.6 has failed two previous consecutive knowledge tests on the subject.

76.7 (b) A fee of \$20 must be paid by an individual to take a third and any subsequent skills  
76.8 or road test administered by the department if the individual has previously failed two  
76.9 consecutive skill or road tests in a specified class of motor vehicle.

76.10 (c) A fee of \$20 must be paid by an individual who fails to appear for a scheduled skills  
76.11 or road test or who cancels a skills or road test within 24 hours of the appointment time.

76.12 (d) All fees received under this subdivision must be paid into the state treasury and  
76.13 credited to the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~  
76.14 ~~specified~~ under section 299A.705.

76.15 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.26, is amended to read:

76.16 **171.26 MONEY CREDITED TO FUNDS.**

76.17 Subdivision 1. **Driver and vehicle services operating account.** Unless otherwise  
76.18 specified, all money received under this chapter must be paid into the state treasury and  
76.19 credited to the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~  
76.20 ~~specified~~ under ~~sections~~ section 299A.705; ~~except as provided in subdivision 2 of that~~  
76.21 ~~section; 171.06, subdivision 2a; 171.07, subdivision 11, paragraph (g); 171.20, subdivision~~  
76.22 ~~4, paragraph (d); and 171.29, subdivision 2, paragraph (b).~~

76.23 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.29, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

76.24 Subd. 2. **Reinstatement fees and surcharges allocated and appropriated.** (a) An  
76.25 individual whose driver's license has been revoked by reason of one or more convictions,  
76.26 pleas of guilty, forfeitures of bail not vacated, or mandatory revocations under section  
76.27 169.791, 169.792, 169.797, 171.17, or 171.172, and who is otherwise eligible for  
76.28 reinstatement must pay a single \$30 fee before the driver's license is reinstated. An individual  
76.29 whose driver's license has been revoked under provisions specified in both this paragraph  
76.30 and paragraph (b) must pay the reinstatement fee as provided in paragraph (b).

77.1 (b) A person whose driver's license has been revoked under section 169A.52, 169A.54,  
77.2 171.177, 609.2112, 609.2113, or 609.2114, or Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 609.21,  
77.3 must pay a \$250 fee plus a \$430 surcharge for each instance of revocation before the driver's  
77.4 license is reinstated, except as provided in paragraph (f). The \$250 fee must be credited as  
77.5 follows:

77.6 (1) 20 percent to the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue~~  
77.7 ~~fund as specified in~~ under section 299A.705;

77.8 (2) 67 percent to the general fund;

77.9 (3) eight percent to a separate account to be known as the Bureau of Criminal  
77.10 Apprehension account. Money in this account is annually appropriated to the commissioner  
77.11 of public safety and the appropriated amount must be apportioned 80 percent for laboratory  
77.12 costs and 20 percent for carrying out the provisions of section 299C.065; and

77.13 (4) five percent to a separate account to be known as the vehicle forfeiture account,  
77.14 which is created in the special revenue fund. The money in the account is annually  
77.15 appropriated to the commissioner for costs of handling vehicle forfeitures.

77.16 (c) The revenue from \$50 of the surcharge must be credited to a separate account to be  
77.17 known as the traumatic brain injury and spinal cord injury account. The revenue from \$50  
77.18 of the surcharge on a reinstatement under paragraph (f) is credited from the first installment  
77.19 payment to the traumatic brain injury and spinal cord injury account. The money in the  
77.20 account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of health to be used as follows: 83  
77.21 percent for contracts with a qualified community-based organization to provide information,  
77.22 resources, and support to assist persons with traumatic brain injury and their families to  
77.23 access services, and 17 percent to maintain the traumatic brain injury and spinal cord injury  
77.24 registry created in section 144.662. For the purposes of this paragraph, a "qualified  
77.25 community-based organization" is a private, not-for-profit organization of consumers of  
77.26 traumatic brain injury services and their family members. The organization must be registered  
77.27 with the United States Internal Revenue Service under section 501(c)(3) as a tax-exempt  
77.28 organization and must have as its purposes:

77.29 (1) the promotion of public, family, survivor, and professional awareness of the incidence  
77.30 and consequences of traumatic brain injury;

77.31 (2) the provision of a network of support for persons with traumatic brain injury, their  
77.32 families, and friends;

78.1 (3) the development and support of programs and services to prevent traumatic brain  
78.2 injury;

78.3 (4) the establishment of education programs for persons with traumatic brain injury; and

78.4 (5) the empowerment of persons with traumatic brain injury through participation in its  
78.5 governance.

78.6 A patient's name, identifying information, or identifiable medical data must not be disclosed  
78.7 to the organization without the informed voluntary written consent of the patient or patient's  
78.8 guardian or, if the patient is a minor, of the parent or guardian of the patient.

78.9 (d) The remainder of the surcharge must be credited to a separate account to be known  
78.10 as the remote electronic alcohol-monitoring program account. The commissioner shall  
78.11 transfer the balance of this account to the commissioner of management and budget on a  
78.12 monthly basis for deposit in the general fund.

78.13 (e) When these fees are collected by a driver's license agent, appointed under section  
78.14 171.061, a filing fee is imposed in the amount specified under section 171.061, subdivision  
78.15 4. The reinstatement fees, surcharge, and filing fee must be deposited in an approved  
78.16 depository as directed under section 171.061, subdivision 4.

78.17 (f) A person whose driver's license has been revoked as provided in subdivision 1 under  
78.18 section 169A.52, 169A.54, or 171.177 may choose to pay 50 percent and an additional \$25  
78.19 of the total amount of the surcharge and 50 percent of the fee required under paragraph (b)  
78.20 to reinstate the person's driver's license, provided the person meets all other requirements  
78.21 of reinstatement. If a person chooses to pay 50 percent of the total and an additional \$25,  
78.22 the driver's license must expire after two years. The person must pay an additional 50 percent  
78.23 less \$25 of the total to extend the license for an additional two years, provided the person  
78.24 is otherwise still eligible for the license. After this final payment of the surcharge and fee,  
78.25 the license may be renewed on a standard schedule, as provided under section 171.27. A  
78.26 filing fee may be imposed for each installment payment. Revenue from the filing fee is  
78.27 credited to the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~  
78.28 under section 299A.705 and is appropriated to the commissioner.

78.29 (g) Any person making installment payments under paragraph (f), whose driver's license  
78.30 subsequently expires, or is canceled, revoked, or suspended before payment of 100 percent  
78.31 of the surcharge and fee, must pay the outstanding balance due for the initial reinstatement  
78.32 before the driver's license is subsequently reinstated. Upon payment of the outstanding  
78.33 balance due for the initial reinstatement, the person may pay any new surcharge and fee  
78.34 imposed under paragraph (b) in installment payments as provided under paragraph (f).

79.1 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.36, is amended to read:

79.2 **171.36 LICENSE FEES; RENEWAL.**

79.3 All licenses expire one year from the date of issuance and may be renewed upon  
 79.4 application to the commissioner. Each application for an original or renewal school license  
 79.5 must be accompanied by a fee of \$150 and each application for an original or renewal  
 79.6 instructor's license must be accompanied by a fee of \$50. The license fees collected under  
 79.7 sections 171.33 to 171.41 must be paid into the driver and vehicle services operating account  
 79.8 ~~in the special revenue fund specified~~ under section 299A.705. A license fee must not be  
 79.9 refunded in the event that the license is rejected or revoked.

79.10 Sec. 21. **REVISOR INSTRUCTION.**

79.11 The revisor of statutes must change the terms "driver services operating account" and  
 79.12 "vehicle services operating account" to "driver and vehicle services operating account"  
 79.13 wherever the terms appear in Minnesota Statutes.

79.14 Sec. 22. **REPEALER.**

79.15 Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 168.121, subdivision 5; 168.1282, subdivision 5;  
 79.16 168.1294, subdivision 5; 168.1299, subdivision 4; and 299A.705, subdivision 2, are repealed.

79.17 **ARTICLE 6**

79.18 **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL GOVERNANCE AND OPERATIONS**

79.19 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 151.37, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

79.20 Subd. 12. **Administration of opiate antagonists for drug overdose.** (a) A licensed  
 79.21 physician, a licensed advanced practice registered nurse authorized to prescribe drugs  
 79.22 pursuant to section 148.235, or a licensed physician assistant may authorize the following  
 79.23 individuals to administer opiate antagonists, as defined in section 604A.04, subdivision 1:

79.24 (1) an emergency medical responder registered pursuant to section 144E.27;

79.25 (2) a peace officer as defined in section 626.84, subdivision 1, paragraphs (c) and (d);

79.26 (3) correctional employees of a state or local political subdivision;

79.27 (4) staff of community-based health disease prevention or social service programs;

79.28 (5) a volunteer firefighter; ~~and~~

79.29 (6) a licensed school nurse or certified public health nurse employed by, or under contract  
 79.30 with, a school board under section 121A.21; and

80.1 (7) transit rider investment program personnel authorized under section 473.4075.

80.2 (b) For the purposes of this subdivision, opiate antagonists may be administered by one  
80.3 of these individuals only if:

80.4 (1) the licensed physician, licensed physician assistant, or licensed advanced practice  
80.5 registered nurse has issued a standing order to, or entered into a protocol with, the individual;  
80.6 and

80.7 (2) the individual has training in the recognition of signs of opiate overdose and the use  
80.8 of opiate antagonists as part of the emergency response to opiate overdose.

80.9 (c) Nothing in this section prohibits the possession and administration of naloxone  
80.10 pursuant to section 604A.04.

80.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

80.12 **Sec. 2. [174.48] CONSTRUCTION OF NONARTERIAL BUS RAPID TRANSIT**  
80.13 **FACILITIES.**

80.14 If a planned bus rapid transit line has either a total estimated construction cost of more  
80.15 than \$100,000,000 or will operate substantially within separated rights-of-way, the  
80.16 commissioner is the responsible authority and must construct bus rapid transit facilities and  
80.17 infrastructure in the metropolitan area. The commissioner must ensure any construction  
80.18 project subject to this section is constructed in compliance with applicable plans and designs  
80.19 adopted by the Metropolitan Council.

80.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
80.21 applies to all bus rapid transit projects excluding the Gold Line bus rapid transit project.

80.22 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 357.021, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

80.23 Subd. 6. **Surcharges on criminal and traffic offenders.** (a) Except as provided in this  
80.24 subdivision, the court shall impose and the court administrator shall collect a \$75 surcharge  
80.25 on every person convicted of any felony, gross misdemeanor, misdemeanor, or petty  
80.26 misdemeanor offense, other than a violation of: (1) a law or ordinance relating to vehicle  
80.27 parking, for which there shall be is a \$12 surcharge; and (2) section 609.855, subdivision  
80.28 1, 3, or 3a, for which there is a \$25 surcharge. When a defendant is convicted of more than  
80.29 one offense in a case, the surcharge shall be imposed only once in that case. In the Second  
80.30 Judicial District, the court shall impose, and the court administrator shall collect, an additional  
80.31 \$1 surcharge on every person convicted of any felony, gross misdemeanor, misdemeanor,  
80.32 or petty misdemeanor offense, including a violation of a law or ordinance relating to vehicle

81.1 parking, if the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the \$1 surcharge. The  
81.2 surcharge shall be imposed whether or not the person is sentenced to imprisonment or the  
81.3 sentence is stayed. The surcharge shall not be imposed when a person is convicted of a petty  
81.4 misdemeanor for which no fine is imposed.

81.5 (b) The court may reduce the amount or waive payment of the surcharge required under  
81.6 this subdivision on a showing of indigency or undue hardship upon the convicted person  
81.7 or the convicted person's immediate family. Additionally, the court may permit the defendant  
81.8 to perform community work service in lieu of a surcharge.

81.9 (c) The court administrator or other entity collecting a surcharge shall forward it to the  
81.10 commissioner of management and budget.

81.11 (d) If the convicted person is sentenced to imprisonment and has not paid the surcharge  
81.12 before the term of imprisonment begins, the chief executive officer of the correctional  
81.13 facility in which the convicted person is incarcerated shall collect the surcharge from any  
81.14 earnings the inmate accrues from work performed in the facility or while on conditional  
81.15 release. The chief executive officer shall forward the amount collected to the court  
81.16 administrator or other entity collecting the surcharge imposed by the court.

81.17 (e) A person who enters a diversion program, continuance without prosecution,  
81.18 continuance for dismissal, or stay of adjudication for a violation of chapter 169 must pay  
81.19 the surcharge described in this subdivision. A surcharge imposed under this paragraph shall  
81.20 be imposed only once per case.

81.21 (f) The surcharge does not apply to administrative citations issued pursuant to section  
81.22 169.999.

81.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and applies to violations  
81.24 committed on or after that date.

81.25 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 357.021, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

81.26 Subd. 7. **Disbursement of surcharges by commissioner of management and**  
81.27 **budget.** (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) to (d), the commissioner of management  
81.28 and budget shall disburse surcharges received under subdivision 6 as follows:

81.29 (1) one percent shall be credited to the peace officer training account in the game and  
81.30 fish fund to provide peace officer training for employees of the Department of Natural  
81.31 Resources who are licensed under sections 626.84 to 626.863, and who possess peace officer  
81.32 authority for the purpose of enforcing game and fish laws; and

82.1 (2) 99 percent shall be credited to the general fund.

82.2 (b) The commissioner of management and budget shall credit \$3 of each surcharge  
82.3 received under subdivision 6 to the general fund.

82.4 (c) In addition to any amounts credited under paragraph (a), the commissioner of  
82.5 management and budget shall credit the following to the general fund: \$47 of each surcharge  
82.6 received under subdivision 6 and; the \$12 parking surcharge, to the general fund; and the  
82.7 \$25 surcharge for a violation of section 609.855, subdivision 1, 3, or 3a.

82.8 (d) If the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes imposition of the additional  
82.9 \$1 surcharge provided for in subdivision 6, paragraph (a), the court administrator in the  
82.10 Second Judicial District shall transmit the surcharge to the commissioner of management  
82.11 and budget. The \$1 special surcharge is deposited in a Ramsey County surcharge account  
82.12 in the special revenue fund and amounts in the account are appropriated to the trial courts  
82.13 for the administration of the petty misdemeanor diversion program operated by the Second  
82.14 Judicial District Ramsey County Violations Bureau.

82.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and applies to violations  
82.16 committed on or after that date.

82.17 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.146, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

82.18 Subdivision 1. **Requirement.** The council shall adopt a long-range comprehensive policy  
82.19 plan for transportation, climate action, and wastewater treatment. The plans must substantially  
82.20 conform to all policy statements, purposes, goals, standards, and maps in the development  
82.21 guide developed and adopted by the council under this chapter. Each policy plan must  
82.22 include, to the extent appropriate to the functions, services, and systems covered, the  
82.23 following:

82.24 (1) forecasts of changes in the general levels and distribution of population, households,  
82.25 employment, land uses, and other relevant matters, for the metropolitan area and appropriate  
82.26 subareas;

82.27 (2) a statement of issues, problems, needs, and opportunities with respect to the functions,  
82.28 services, and systems covered;

82.29 (3) a statement of the council's goals, objectives, and priorities with respect to the  
82.30 functions, services, and systems covered, addressing areas and populations to be served,  
82.31 the levels, distribution, and staging of services; a general description of the facility systems  
82.32 required to support the services; the estimated cost of improvements required to achieve  
82.33 the council's goals for the regional systems, including an analysis of what portion of the

83.1 funding for each improvement is proposed to come from the state, Metropolitan Council  
83.2 levies, and cities, counties, and towns in the metropolitan area, respectively, and other  
83.3 similar matters;

83.4 (4) a statement of policies to effectuate the council's goals, objectives, and priorities;

83.5 (5) a statement of the fiscal implications of the council's plan, including a statement of:  
83.6 (i) the resources available under existing fiscal policy; (ii) the adequacy of resources under  
83.7 existing fiscal policy and any shortfalls and unattended needs; (iii) additional resources, if  
83.8 any, that are or may be required to effectuate the council's goals, objectives, and priorities;  
83.9 and (iv) any changes in existing fiscal policy, on regional revenues and intergovernmental  
83.10 aids respectively, that are expected or that the council has recommended or may recommend;

83.11 (6) a statement of the relationship of the policy plan to other policy plans and chapters  
83.12 of the Metropolitan Development Guide;

83.13 (7) a statement of the relationships to local comprehensive plans prepared under sections  
83.14 473.851 to 473.871; ~~and~~

83.15 (8) additional general information as may be necessary to develop the policy plan or as  
83.16 may be required by the laws relating to the metropolitan agency and function covered by  
83.17 the policy plan; and

83.18 (9) forecasts pertaining to greenhouse gas emissions that are generated from activity  
83.19 that occurs within local jurisdictions, including from transportation, land use, energy use,  
83.20 solid waste, livestock, and agriculture and the estimated impact of strategies that reduce or  
83.21 naturally sequester greenhouse gas emissions across sectors.

83.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following  
83.23 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,  
83.24 Scott, and Washington.

83.25 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.146, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
83.26 read:

83.27 **Subd. 5. Development guide; climate action.** The climate action chapter must include  
83.28 policies that describe how metropolitan system plans, as defined under section 473.852,  
83.29 subdivision 8, meet greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals established by the state under  
83.30 section 216H.02, subdivision 1, and transportation targets established by the commissioner  
83.31 of transportation, including vehicle miles traveled reduction targets established in the  
83.32 statewide multimodal transportation plan under section 174.03, subdivision 1a.

84.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following  
84.2 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,  
84.3 Scott, and Washington.

84.4 Sec. 7. **[473.248] METROPOLITAN AREA ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION**  
84.5 **PROGRAM.**

84.6 Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "active transportation" means  
84.7 bicycling, pedestrian activities, and other forms of nonmotorized transportation.

84.8 Subd. 2. **Program established.** Subject to available funds received under section  
84.9 473.4465, the council must establish a program to support active transportation within the  
84.10 metropolitan area.

84.11 Subd. 3. **Program administration.** (a) The council must establish active transportation  
84.12 program requirements, including:

84.13 (1) assistance eligibility, subject to the requirements under subdivision 4;

84.14 (2) a solicitation and application process that minimizes the burden on applicants; and

84.15 (3) procedures to award and pay financial assistance.

84.16 (b) The council must annually conduct a solicitation for active transportation projects  
84.17 under this program.

84.18 (c) The council must make reasonable efforts to publicize each application solicitation  
84.19 among all eligible recipients. The council must assist applicants to create and submit  
84.20 applications, with an emphasis on providing assistance in communities that are historically  
84.21 and currently underrepresented in local or regional planning, including communities of  
84.22 color, low-income households, people with disabilities, and people with limited English  
84.23 proficiency.

84.24 (d) The council may provide grants or other financial assistance for a project.

84.25 (e) The council is prohibited from expending more than one percent of available funds  
84.26 in a fiscal year under this section on program administration.

84.27 Subd. 4. **Eligibility.** An eligible recipient of financial assistance under this section  
84.28 includes:

84.29 (1) a political subdivision; or

84.30 (2) a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as  
84.31 amended.

85.1 Subd. 5. Use of funds. The council must determine permissible uses of financial  
 85.2 assistance under this section, which are limited to:

85.3 (1) construction and maintenance of bicycle, trail, and pedestrian infrastructure, including  
 85.4 but not limited to safe routes to school infrastructure and bicycle facilities and centers; and

85.5 (2) noninfrastructure programming, including activities as specified in section 174.40,  
 85.6 subdivision 7a, paragraph (b).

85.7 Subd. 6. Project evaluation and selection. The council must establish a project  
 85.8 evaluation and selection committee. The chair of the council must appoint one city council  
 85.9 member or mayor from each council district to serve on the committee. The committee must  
 85.10 establish a process to select projects that are competitive, criteria-based, and objective. The  
 85.11 process must include criteria and prioritization of projects based on:

85.12 (1) the project's inclusion in a municipal or regional nonmotorized transportation system  
 85.13 plan;

85.14 (2) the extent to which policies or practices of the political subdivision encourage and  
 85.15 promote complete street planning, design, and construction;

85.16 (3) the extent to which the project supports connections between communities and to  
 85.17 key destinations within a community;

85.18 (4) identified barriers or deficiencies in the nonmotorized transportation system;

85.19 (5) identified safety or health benefits;

85.20 (6) geographic equity in project benefits, with an emphasis on communities that are  
 85.21 historically and currently underrepresented in local or regional planning; and

85.22 (7) the ability of a grantee to maintain the active transportation infrastructure following  
 85.23 project completion.

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

85.25 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.3994, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

85.26 Subd. 1a. **Designation of responsible authority.** For each proposed light rail transit  
 85.27 facility in the metropolitan area, the governor must designate ~~either the Metropolitan Council~~  
 85.28 ~~or~~ the state of Minnesota acting through the commissioner of transportation as the entity  
 85.29 responsible for planning, designing, acquiring, constructing, and equipping the facility.  
 85.30 ~~Notwithstanding such designation,~~ The commissioner ~~and the council~~ may enter into one  
 85.31 or more cooperative agreements with the Metropolitan Council with respect to the planning,

86.1 designing, ~~acquiring, constructing,~~ or equipping of a particular light rail transit facility that  
 86.2 provide for the parties to exercise their respective authorities in support of the project in a  
 86.3 manner that best serves the project and the public.

86.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
 86.5 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

86.6 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.3994, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

86.7 Subd. 4. **Preliminary design plans; council hearing.** If the governing body of one or  
 86.8 more cities, counties, or towns disapproves the preliminary design plans within the period  
 86.9 allowed under subdivision 3, the council shall hold a hearing on the plans, giving the  
 86.10 commissioner of transportation, ~~if the responsible authority,~~ any disapproving local  
 86.11 governmental units, and other persons an opportunity to present their views on the plans.  
 86.12 The council may conduct independent study as it deems desirable and may mediate and  
 86.13 attempt to resolve disagreements about the plans. Within 60 days after the hearing, the  
 86.14 council shall review the plans and shall decide what amendments to the plans, if any, must  
 86.15 be made to accommodate the objections presented by the disapproving local governmental  
 86.16 units. Amendments to the plans as decided by the council must be made before continuing  
 86.17 the planning and designing process.

86.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
 86.19 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

86.20 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.3994, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

86.21 Subd. 7. **Council review.** ~~If the commissioner is the responsible authority,~~ Before  
 86.22 proceeding with construction of a light rail transit facility, the commissioner must submit  
 86.23 preliminary and final design plans to the Metropolitan Council. The council must review  
 86.24 the plans for consistency with the council's development guide and approve the plans.

86.25 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
 86.26 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

86.27 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.3994, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

86.28 Subd. 9. **Light rail transit operating costs.** (a) Before submitting an application for  
 86.29 federal assistance for light rail transit facilities in the metropolitan area, the Metropolitan  
 86.30 Council must prepare an estimate of the amount of operating subsidy which will be required  
 86.31 to operate light rail transit in the corridor to which the federal assistance would be applied.  
 86.32 The estimate must indicate the amount of operating subsidy estimated to be required in each

87.1 of the first ten years of operation of the light rail transit facility. ~~If the commissioner of~~  
 87.2 ~~transportation is the responsible authority,~~ The commissioner must provide information  
 87.3 requested by the council that is necessary to make the estimate.

87.4 (b) The council must review and evaluate the estimate developed under paragraph (a)  
 87.5 with regard to the effect of operating the light rail transit facility on the currently available  
 87.6 mechanisms for financing transit in the metropolitan area.

87.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
 87.8 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

87.9 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.3994, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

87.10 Subd. 14. **Transfer of facility after construction.** ~~If the commissioner of transportation~~  
 87.11 ~~is the responsible authority for a particular light rail transit facility,~~ The commissioner must  
 87.12 transfer to the Metropolitan Council all facilities constructed and all equipment and property  
 87.13 acquired in developing ~~the~~ a particular light rail transit facility upon completion of  
 87.14 construction.

87.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
 87.16 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

87.17 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.3995, is amended to read:

87.18 **473.3995 LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT; DESIGN-BUILD METHOD.**

87.19 (a) A responsible authority may use a design-build method of project development and  
 87.20 construction for light rail transit. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a responsible  
 87.21 authority may award a design-build contract on the basis of requests for proposals or requests  
 87.22 for qualifications without bids. "Design-build method of project development and  
 87.23 construction" means a project delivery system in which a single contractor is responsible  
 87.24 for both the design and construction of the project and bids the design and construction  
 87.25 together.

87.26 (b) If a responsible authority utilizes a design-build method of project development and  
 87.27 construction for light rail transit, the requirements and procedures in sections 161.3410 to  
 87.28 161.3426 apply to the procurement, subject to the following conditions and exceptions:

87.29 ~~(1) if the Metropolitan Council is the responsible authority for a particular light rail~~  
 87.30 ~~transit project, when used in sections 161.3410 to 161.3426, (i) the terms "commissioner,"~~  
 87.31 ~~"Minnesota Department of Transportation," "department," "state agencies," and "road~~  
 87.32 ~~authority" refer to the Metropolitan Council, and (ii) the term "state" refers to the~~

88.1 ~~Metropolitan Council except in references to state law or in references to the state as a~~  
 88.2 ~~geographical location;~~

88.3 ~~(2)~~ (1) the provisions of section 161.3412, subdivisions 3 and 4, are not applicable to  
 88.4 the procurement; and

88.5 ~~(3)~~ (2) if any federal funds are used in developing or constructing the light rail transit  
 88.6 project, any provisions in sections 161.3410 to 161.3426 that are inconsistent with, or  
 88.7 prohibited by, any federal law, regulation, or other requirement are not applicable to the  
 88.8 procurement.

88.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
 88.10 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

88.11 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.3997, is amended to read:

88.12 **473.3997 FEDERAL FUNDING; LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT.**

88.13 (a) Upon completion of the alternatives analysis and draft environmental impact statement,  
 88.14 and selection of the locally preferred alternative, for each light rail transit facility, the  
 88.15 responsible authority may prepare an application for federal assistance for the light rail  
 88.16 transit facility. ~~If the commissioner is the responsible authority,~~ The application must be  
 88.17 reviewed and approved by the Metropolitan Council before it is submitted by the  
 88.18 commissioner. In reviewing the application the council must consider the operating cost  
 88.19 estimate developed under section 473.3994, subdivision 9.

88.20 (b) Except for the designated responsible authority for a particular light rail transit  
 88.21 facility, no political subdivision in the metropolitan area may on its own apply for federal  
 88.22 assistance for light rail transit planning or construction.

88.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
 88.24 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

88.25 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.405, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

88.26 Subd. 4. **Transit systems.** Except as provided by sections 174.48 and 473.3993 to  
 88.27 473.3997, the council may engineer, construct, equip, and operate transit and paratransit  
 88.28 systems, projects, or any parts thereof, including road lanes or rights-of-way, terminal  
 88.29 facilities, maintenance and garage facilities, ramps, parking areas, and any other facilities  
 88.30 useful for or related to any public transit or paratransit system or project. The council may  
 88.31 sell or lease naming rights with regard to light rail transit stations and apply revenues from  
 88.32 sales or leases to light rail transit operating costs.

89.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
 89.2 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

89.3 Sec. 16. **[473.4065] TRANSIT RIDER ACTIVITY.**

89.4 Subdivision 1. **Code of conduct; establishment.** (a) The council must adopt a rider  
 89.5 code of conduct for transit passengers. The council must post a copy of the code of conduct  
 89.6 in a prominent location at each light rail transit station, bus rapid transit station, and transit  
 89.7 center.

89.8 (b) The code of conduct must not prohibit sleeping in a manner that does not otherwise  
 89.9 violate conduct requirements.

89.10 Subd. 2. **Code of conduct; violations.** An authorized transit representative, as defined  
 89.11 in section 609.855, subdivision 7, paragraph (g), may order a person to depart a transit  
 89.12 vehicle or transit facility for a violation of the rider code of conduct established under  
 89.13 subdivision 1 if the person continues to act in violation of the code of conduct after being  
 89.14 warned once to stop.

89.15 Subd. 3. **Paid fare zones.** The council must establish and clearly designate paid fare  
 89.16 zones at each light rail transit station where the council utilizes self-service barrier-free fare  
 89.17 collection.

89.18 Subd. 4. **Light rail transit facility monitoring.** (a) The council must implement and  
 89.19 maintain public safety monitoring and response activities at light rail transit facilities that  
 89.20 include:

89.21 (1) placement of security cameras and sufficient associated lighting that provide live  
 89.22 coverage for (i) the entire area at each light rail transit station, and (ii) each light rail transit  
 89.23 vehicle;

89.24 (2) installation of a public address system at each light rail transit station that is capable  
 89.25 of providing information and warnings to passengers; and

89.26 (3) real-time active monitoring of passenger activity and potential violations throughout  
 89.27 the light rail transit system.

89.28 (b) The monitoring activities must include timely maintenance or replacement of  
 89.29 malfunctioning cameras or public address systems.

89.30 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following  
 89.31 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,  
 89.32 Scott, and Washington.

90.1 **Sec. 17. [473.4075] TRANSIT RIDER INVESTMENT PROGRAM.**

90.2 **Subdivision 1. Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms and the  
 90.3 terms defined in section 609.855, subdivision 7, have the meanings given.

90.4 (b) "Transit official" means an individual who is authorized as TRIP personnel, a  
 90.5 community service officer, or a peace officer as defined in section 626.84, subdivision 1,  
 90.6 paragraph (c).

90.7 (c) "TRIP personnel" means persons specifically authorized by the council for the TRIP  
 90.8 program under this section, including but not limited to fare inspection and enforcement,  
 90.9 who are not peace officers or community service officers.

90.10 (d) "TRIP" or "program" means the transit rider investment program established in this  
 90.11 section.

90.12 **Subd. 2. Program established.** (a) Subject to available funds, the council must implement  
 90.13 a transit rider investment program that provides for TRIP personnel deployment, fare payment  
 90.14 inspection, administrative citation issuance, rider education and assistance, and improvements  
 90.15 to the transit experience.

90.16 (b) As part of program implementation, the council must:

90.17 (1) adopt a resolution that establishes the program and establishes fine amounts in  
 90.18 accordance with subdivision 8;

90.19 (2) establish policies and procedures that govern authorizing and training TRIP personnel,  
 90.20 TRIP personnel uniforms, issuing an administrative citation, and contesting an administrative  
 90.21 citation;

90.22 (3) consult with stakeholders on the design of the program;

90.23 (4) develop a TRIP personnel recruitment plan that includes informing and supporting  
 90.24 potential applicants who are:

90.25 (i) representative of transit users; and

90.26 (ii) from cultural, ethnic, and racial communities that are historically underrepresented  
 90.27 in state or local public service;

90.28 (5) develop a TRIP personnel strategic deployment plan that:

90.29 (i) requires teams of at least two individuals; and

91.1 (ii) targets deployment to times and locations with identified concentrations of activity  
91.2 that are subject to administrative citations, other citations, or arrest or that negatively impact  
91.3 the rider experience; and

91.4 (6) provide for training to peace officers who provide law enforcement assistance under  
91.5 an agreement with the council on the program and issuance of administrative citations.

91.6 Subd. 3. **TRIP manager.** The council must appoint a TRIP manager to manage the  
91.7 program. The TRIP manager must have managerial experience in social services, transit  
91.8 service, or law enforcement. The TRIP manager is a TRIP personnel staff member.

91.9 Subd. 4. **TRIP personnel; duties; requirements.** (a) The duties of the TRIP personnel  
91.10 include:

91.11 (1) monitoring and responding to passenger activity including:

91.12 (i) educating passengers and specifying expectations related to the council's rider code  
91.13 of conduct; and

91.14 (ii) assisting passengers in obtaining social services, such as through information and  
91.15 referrals;

91.16 (2) acting as a liaison to social service agencies;

91.17 (3) providing information to passengers on using the transit system;

91.18 (4) providing direct navigation assistance and accompaniment to passengers who have  
91.19 a disability, are elderly, or request enhanced personal aid;

91.20 (5) performing fare payment inspections;

91.21 (6) issuing administrative citations as provided in subdivision 6; and

91.22 (7) obtaining assistance from peace officers or community service officers as necessary.

91.23 (b) An individual who is authorized as TRIP personnel must be an employee of the  
91.24 council and must wear the uniform as established by the council at all times when on duty.

91.25 Subd. 5. **TRIP personnel; training.** Training for TRIP personnel must include the  
91.26 following topics:

91.27 (1) early warning techniques, crisis intervention, conflict de-escalation, and conflict  
91.28 resolution;

91.29 (2) identification of persons likely in need of social services;

92.1 (3) locally available social service providers, including services for homelessness, mental  
92.2 health, and addiction;

92.3 (4) policies and procedures for administrative citations; and

92.4 (5) administration of opiate antagonists in a manner that meets the requirements under  
92.5 section 151.37, subdivision 12.

92.6 Subd. 6. **Administrative citations; authority; issuance.** (a) A transit official has the  
92.7 exclusive authority to issue an administrative citation to a person who commits a violation  
92.8 under section 609.855, subdivision 1 or 3.

92.9 (b) An administrative citation must include notification that the person has the right to  
92.10 contest the citation, basic procedures for contesting the citation, and information on the  
92.11 timeline and consequences for failure to contest the citation or pay the fine.

92.12 (c) The council must not mandate or suggest a quota for the issuance of administrative  
92.13 citations under this section.

92.14 (d) Issuance and resolution of an administrative citation is a bar to prosecution under  
92.15 section 609.855, subdivision 1 or 3, or for any other violation arising from the same conduct.

92.16 Subd. 7. **Administrative citations; disposition.** (a) A person who commits a violation  
92.17 under section 609.855, subdivision 1 or 3, and is issued an administrative citation under  
92.18 this section must, within 90 days of issuance, pay the fine as specified or contest the citation.  
92.19 A person who fails to either pay the fine or contest the citation within the specified period  
92.20 is considered to have waived the contested citation process and is subject to collections.

92.21 (b) The council must provide a civil process for a person to contest the administrative  
92.22 citation before a neutral third party. The council may employ a council employee not  
92.23 associated with its transit operations to hear and rule on challenges to administrative citations  
92.24 or may contract with another unit of government or a private entity to provide the service.

92.25 (c) The council may contract with credit bureaus, public and private collection agencies,  
92.26 the Department of Revenue, and other public or private entities providing collection services  
92.27 as necessary for the collection of fine debts under this section. As determined by the council,  
92.28 collection costs are added to the debts referred to a public or private collection entity for  
92.29 collection. Collection costs include the fees of the collection entity and may include, if  
92.30 separately provided, skip tracing fees, credit bureau reporting charges, and fees assessed  
92.31 by any public entity for obtaining information necessary for debt collection. If the collection  
92.32 entity collects an amount less than the total due, the payment is applied proportionally to  
92.33 collection costs and the underlying debt.

93.1 Subd. 8. **Administrative citations; penalties.** (a) The amount of a fine under this section  
 93.2 must be set at no less than \$35 and no more than \$100.

93.3 (b) Subject to paragraph (a), the council may adopt a graduated structure that increases  
 93.4 the fine amount for second and subsequent violations.

93.5 (c) The council may adopt an alternative resolution procedure under which a person  
 93.6 may resolve an administrative citation in lieu of paying a fine by complying with terms  
 93.7 established by the council for community service, prepayment of future transit fares, or  
 93.8 both. The alternative resolution procedure must be available only to a person who has  
 93.9 committed a violation under section 609.855, subdivision 1 or 3, for the first time, unless  
 93.10 the person demonstrates financial hardship under criteria established by the council.

93.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, except  
 93.12 that subdivisions 1 and 3 are effective the day following final enactment. This section applies  
 93.13 in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

93.14 Sec. 18. **[473.4077] LEGISLATIVE REPORT; TRANSIT SAFETY AND RIDER**  
 93.15 **EXPERIENCE.**

93.16 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section, the terms defined in section  
 93.17 473.4075 have the meanings given.

93.18 Subd. 2. **Legislative report.** (a) Annually by February 15, the council must submit a  
 93.19 report on transit safety and rider experience to the chairs and ranking minority members of  
 93.20 the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance.

93.21 (b) At a minimum, the report must:

93.22 (1) provide an overview of transit safety issues and actions taken by the council to  
 93.23 improve safety, including improvements made to equipment and infrastructure;

93.24 (2) provide an overview of the rider code of conduct and measures required under section  
 93.25 473.4065;

93.26 (3) provide an overview of the transit rider investment program under section 473.4075  
 93.27 and the program's structure and implementation;

93.28 (4) provide an overview of the activities of transit rider investment program personnel,  
 93.29 including specifically describing the activities of uniformed transit safety officials;

93.30 (5) provide a description of all policies adopted pursuant to section 473.4075, the need  
 93.31 for each policy, and a copy of each policy;

- 94.1 (6) if the council adopted an alternative resolution procedure pursuant to section 473.4075,  
94.2 subdivision 5, provide:
- 94.3 (i) a description of that procedure;
- 94.4 (ii) the criteria used to determine financial hardship; and
- 94.5 (iii) for each of the previous three calendar years, how frequently the procedure was  
94.6 used, the number of community service hours performed, and the total amount paid as  
94.7 prepayment of transit fares;
- 94.8 (7) for each of the previous three calendar years:
- 94.9 (i) identify the number of fare compliance inspections that were completed including  
94.10 the total number and the number as a percentage of total rides;
- 94.11 (ii) state the number of warnings and citations issued by the Metro Transit Police  
94.12 Department and transit agents, including a breakdown of which type of officer or official  
94.13 issued the citation, the statutory authority for issuing the warning or citation, the reason  
94.14 given for each warning or citation issued, and the total number of times each reason was  
94.15 given;
- 94.16 (iii) state the number of administrative citations that were appealed pursuant to section  
94.17 473.4075, the number of those citations that were dismissed on appeal, and a breakdown  
94.18 of the reasons for dismissal;
- 94.19 (iv) include data and statistics on crime rates occurring on public transit vehicles and  
94.20 surrounding transit stops and stations;
- 94.21 (v) state the number of peace officers employed by the Metro Transit Police Department;
- 94.22 (vi) state the average number of peace officers employed by the Metro Transit Police  
94.23 Department; and
- 94.24 (vii) state the number of uniformed transit safety officials and community service officers  
94.25 who served as transit agents;
- 94.26 (8) analyze impacts of the transit rider investment program on fare compliance and  
94.27 customer experience for riders, including rates of fare violations; and
- 94.28 (9) make recommendations on the following:
- 94.29 (i) changes to the administrative citation program; and
- 94.30 (ii) methods to improve safety on public transit and at transit stops and stations.

95.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and  
 95.2 applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

95.3 Sec. 19. **[473.453] COMPLETE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS; LEGISLATIVE**  
 95.4 **REPORT.**

95.5 Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 471.345 and 473.3994, if the Metropolitan  
 95.6 Council is the responsible authority of a transit project with a total project cost of greater  
 95.7 than \$50,000,000, the council must notify the chairs and ranking minority members of the  
 95.8 legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation finance and policy at least 30  
 95.9 days before bidding commences if the council's project specifications are incomplete or  
 95.10 subject to significant additions. The notification must include the council's reasons for  
 95.11 incomplete project specifications or the reasons why the significant project additions are  
 95.12 not included in the bidding process.

95.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following  
 95.14 final enactment and applies to bids made on or after October 1, 2023. This section applies  
 95.15 in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

95.16 Sec. 20. **[473.454] CONTINGENCY PLANS AND RESERVE; REPORT REQUIRED.**

95.17 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 471.345 and 473.3994, a responsible  
 95.18 authority must establish formal contingency plans for temporarily or permanently stopping  
 95.19 work if:

95.20 (1) a light rail transit project will not be completed within a year of its scheduled  
 95.21 completion date;

95.22 (2) total expenditures on the project to date are anticipated to increase by ten percent  
 95.23 above the most recent cost estimate; or

95.24 (3) any of the responsible authority's civil contractors submits a schedule update with a  
 95.25 delay of greater than six months from the most recent estimated completion date.

95.26 (b) A contingency plan created under this section must evaluate:

95.27 (1) how the responsible authority will address any increases to the total project cost;

95.28 (2) the impact to any delay to the responsible authority's contingency budget reserves;

95.29 (3) the effect on existing contractual obligations; and

95.30 (4) a new baseline schedule for completion of the project.

96.1 Within 30 days of the contingency plan being created, the responsible authority must submit  
 96.2 the contingency plan to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative  
 96.3 committees with jurisdiction over transportation finance and policy.

96.4 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if a responsible authority  
 96.5 applies for grants from the Federal Transit Administration totaling more than \$50,000,000  
 96.6 and the Federal Transit Administration institutes an evaluation of the responsible party's  
 96.7 financial capacity, the responsible authority must report to the chairs and ranking minority  
 96.8 members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and  
 96.9 finance. The report must be submitted to the legislature within 30 days of the Federal Transit  
 96.10 Administration initiating the review. The report must detail how the responsible authority  
 96.11 plans to provide sufficient funding for unexpected cost overruns and which local authority  
 96.12 would be responsible for providing the additional funding if necessary.

96.13 (d) A responsible authority may not adopt changes to design or construction plans for  
 96.14 a light rail transit project without establishing a contingency plan under this section if the  
 96.15 responsible authority:

96.16 (1) has insufficient funds to complete the light rail transit project; or

96.17 (2) has insufficient funds to halt the light rail transit project.

96.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following  
 96.19 final enactment and applies to bids made on or after October 1, 2023. This section applies  
 96.20 in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

96.21 **Sec. 21. [473.455] CONTRACT SCHEDULE REQUIREMENTS; REPORT**  
 96.22 **REQUIRED .**

96.23 **Subdivision 1. Schedule agreement required.** (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
 96.24 sections 471.345 and 473.3994, if the council is the responsible authority for a light rail  
 96.25 transit project, any agreement between the council and a contractor with respect to  
 96.26 constructing any portion of a light rail transit project must contain a preliminary construction  
 96.27 schedule agreement and a proposed general baseline schedule.

96.28 (b) If the council is the responsible authority, the council must consider whether to  
 96.29 approve a preliminary construction schedule. A preliminary construction schedule agreement  
 96.30 must contain:

96.31 (1) contractual milestones needed to complete the project within the required interim  
 96.32 and final completion dates;

97.1 (2) a schedule for the first 180 days of work under the contract; and

97.2 (3) an initial draft baseline schedule that forms the basis of a general baseline schedule  
97.3 proposed in paragraph (c).

97.4 (c) Upon approval by the council of a preliminary construction schedule, the contractor  
97.5 and the council must evaluate the initial general baseline schedule set forth in paragraph  
97.6 (b), clause (3), as the basis for the proposed general baseline schedule. The proposed general  
97.7 baseline schedule must establish how the contractor plans to complete all contracted work  
97.8 for the light rail transit project and include a detailed scope of work that includes but is not  
97.9 limited to a framework that assigns costs and resources for each specifically scheduled task.

97.10 (d) If the council is the responsible authority and approves the proposed general baseline  
97.11 schedule with respect to constructing any portion of a light rail transit project, the contractor  
97.12 must submit monthly written status reports to the council. Any late, repeat, or incomplete  
97.13 submissions by the contractor are considered a nonexcusable delay and entitles the council  
97.14 to stop completed work payments under subdivision 4.

97.15 Subd. 2. **Prohibition.** If the council is the responsible authority for a light rail transit  
97.16 project, construction cannot begin without an accepted general baseline schedule by both  
97.17 the council and the contractor under subdivision 1, paragraph (c). The council and the  
97.18 contractor must approve the preliminary construction schedule before establishing and  
97.19 approving a proposed general baseline schedule.

97.20 Subd. 3. **Conditional approval.** If the council is the responsible authority for a light  
97.21 rail transit project and the contractor proposes revision to either an approved preliminary  
97.22 construction schedule or an accepted general baseline schedule under subdivision 1, paragraph  
97.23 (d), the council must decide whether to approve the proposed revision before issuing any  
97.24 further completed work payment to the contractor. If the council rejects the proposed revision,  
97.25 the council must immediately suspend payments to the contractor.

97.26 Subd. 4. **Enforcement.** An agreement between the council and the contractor with  
97.27 respect to constructing any portion of a light rail transit project must include provisions to  
97.28 allow the council to withhold payments for completed work if the contractor is delinquent  
97.29 under the general baseline schedule requirements in subdivision 1, paragraph (c), and for  
97.30 conditional approval of construction as provided in subdivision 3. Withheld payments under  
97.31 this subdivision must be greater than five percent and less than ten percent of the total  
97.32 payment requested by the contractor.

97.33 Subd. 5. **Report required.** (a) If the council is the responsible authority and a preliminary  
97.34 construction schedule and a general baseline schedule are approved for constructing a portion

98.1 of a light rail project, the council must submit the preliminary construction schedule and  
 98.2 general baseline schedule to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative  
 98.3 committees with jurisdiction over transportation finance and policy within 30 days.

98.4 (b) If the council is the responsible authority, and no agreement can be reached on a  
 98.5 general baseline schedule under subdivision 1, paragraph (c), the council must submit a  
 98.6 report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with  
 98.7 jurisdiction over transportation finance and policy within 30 days on the barriers facing  
 98.8 approval of the general baseline construction schedule.

98.9 (c) If the council is the responsible authority and receives notification of a proposed  
 98.10 revision to either the preliminary construction schedule or general baseline schedule under  
 98.11 subdivision 3, the council must report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the  
 98.12 legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation finance and policy within 14  
 98.13 days of the proposed revision on the estimated impact on the project completion date and  
 98.14 total project cost from the proposed revision. If the council rejects the proposed revision,  
 98.15 the council must notify the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees  
 98.16 with jurisdiction over transportation finance and policy within seven days of rejection.

98.17 (d) If the council is the responsible authority and withholds completed work payments  
 98.18 greater than \$50,000 from a contractor under subdivision 4, the council must report to the  
 98.19 chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over  
 98.20 transportation finance and policy within 14 days on the amount withheld, the reasons for  
 98.21 withholding payment, and the steps needed to address the delay.

98.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following  
 98.23 final enactment and applies to bids made on or after October 1, 2023. This section applies  
 98.24 in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

98.25 **Sec. 22. [473.456] PEER REVIEW FOR CERTAIN PROJECT ELEMENTS;**  
 98.26 **LEGISLATIVE REPORTS.**

98.27 (a) For purposes of this section, the term "value analysis" has the meaning given in  
 98.28 section 174.15, subdivision 3, and the term "value engineering proposal" has the meaning  
 98.29 given in section 174.15, subdivision 4.

98.30 (b) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, if the Metropolitan Council is the responsible  
 98.31 authority for a light rail transit project, the council must establish a multiparty peer review  
 98.32 application to initiate a multiparty peer review process with the Department of Transportation  
 98.33 and any counties within which a transit project is to be operated. The multiparty peer review

99.1 application must be filed within 180 days of the start date of the contract and every 90 days  
 99.2 thereafter until the project is completed. The commissioner of transportation must review  
 99.3 the multiparty peer review application and determine whether to initiate a multiparty peer  
 99.4 review. In determining whether to initiate a peer review, the commissioner must apply value  
 99.5 analysis to either (1) the entirety of the light rail transit project, (2) a project element at risk  
 99.6 of delay or high costs, or (3) any new or substantial work proposed after civil construction  
 99.7 bidding was completed.

99.8 (c) If the commissioner of transportation determines a value analysis is appropriate after  
 99.9 reviewing the multiparty peer review application or if the council estimates a project element  
 99.10 will exceed more than \$20,000,000, the multiparty peer review must convene and produce  
 99.11 a value engineering proposal report. The value engineering proposal report must be issued  
 99.12 by the multiparty peer review within six months after the multiparty peer review is formed.  
 99.13 In addition to the evaluation under section 174.15, subdivision 4, the report must analyze:

99.14 (1) improvements or efficiencies in construction methods;

99.15 (2) improvements to the change order process;

99.16 (3) an evaluation of contractor oversight and best practices;

99.17 (4) improvements or efficiencies in the procurement process; and

99.18 (5) any contractual issues arising from the transit project.

99.19 (d) With existing resources, the council is responsible for the costs of conducting and  
 99.20 administering the peer review and value engineering proposal.

99.21 (e) If a value engineering proposal report is submitted under this section, the report must  
 99.22 be submitted within 30 days to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative  
 99.23 committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance.

99.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following  
 99.25 final enactment and applies to bids made on or after October 1, 2023. This section applies  
 99.26 in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

99.27 **Sec. 23. [473.46] PROJECT COMPLETION DELAY NOTIFICATION**  
 99.28 **REQUIREMENT.**

99.29 (a) Notwithstanding the requirements in Laws 2022, chapter 39, section 2, the responsible  
 99.30 authority for a light rail transit project must provide status updates on the light rail project  
 99.31 to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction

100.1 over transportation policy and finance. The status reports must be provided biannually by  
100.2 January 1 and July 1 and must include:

100.3 (1) total expenditures on the project during the previous three months as compared to  
100.4 projections;

100.5 (2) total expenditures on the project during the next three-, six-, and nine-month intervals;

100.6 (3) total expenditures on the project to date;

100.7 (4) the total project cost estimate; and

100.8 (5) any change in the date of anticipated project completion.

100.9 (b) The responsible authority must notify the chairs and ranking minority members of  
100.10 the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance within  
100.11 seven calendar days when:

100.12 (1) the authority is deliberating whether a delay in the light rail project completion date  
100.13 of three months or more beyond the estimated completion date is likely to occur; and

100.14 (2) the authority is deliberating whether an increase to the total light rail project cost is  
100.15 anticipated to increase by \$50,000,000 or five percent or more above the most recent cost  
100.16 estimate, whichever is less.

100.17 (c) A responsible authority providing a status report under this section must initiate a  
100.18 multiparty peer review as provided under section 473.456 and conduct separate value  
100.19 engineering studies for individual project elements expected to cause the delay or increase  
100.20 in project cost within 30 days of filing the status report to the legislature.

100.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following  
100.22 final enactment and applies to bids made on or after October 1, 2023. This section applies  
100.23 in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

100.24 Sec. 24. **[473.461] SETTLEMENT EXPENSES; LEGISLATIVE REPORT.**

100.25 If the council is the responsible authority and enters into a settlement agreement with a  
100.26 contractor in association with the construction of a light rail transit project, the council must  
100.27 submit a settlement expenditure notification to the chairs and ranking minority members of  
100.28 the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance within  
100.29 21 calendar days. The settlement expenditure notification must include:

100.30 (1) the terms of the settlement agreement;

100.31 (2) the total expenditure of the settlement agreement;

101.1 (3) whether the settlement agreement will lengthen the timeline for construction of the  
 101.2 light rail project;

101.3 (4) whether the settlement agreement resolves all outstanding disputes between the  
 101.4 council and the contractor;

101.5 (5) whether the settlement agreement increases estimated project expenses and costs;  
 101.6 and

101.7 (6) whether the settlement agreement requires the council to participate in alternative  
 101.8 dispute resolution.

101.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following  
 101.10 final enactment and applies to bids made on or after October 1, 2023. This section applies  
 101.11 in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

101.12 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.859, is amended by adding a subdivision  
 101.13 to read:

101.14 **Subd. 7. Climate action plan.** The council must specify how the information in section  
 101.15 473.146, subdivision 5, must be incorporated into comprehensive plan content.

101.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following  
 101.17 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,  
 101.18 Scott, and Washington.

101.19 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.855, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

101.20 Subdivision 1. **Unlawfully obtaining services; petty misdemeanor.** (a) A person is  
 101.21 guilty of a petty misdemeanor who intentionally obtains or attempts to obtain service for  
 101.22 himself, herself, or another person from a provider of public transit or from a public  
 101.23 conveyance by doing any of the following:

101.24 (1) occupies or rides in any public transit vehicle without paying the applicable fare or  
 101.25 otherwise obtaining the consent of the transit provider including:

101.26 (i) the use of a reduced fare when a person is not eligible for the fare; or

101.27 (ii) the use of a fare medium issued solely for the use of a particular individual by another  
 101.28 individual;

101.29 (2) presents a falsified, counterfeit, photocopied, or other deceptively manipulated fare  
 101.30 medium as fare payment or proof of fare payment;

102.1 (3) sells, provides, copies, reproduces, or creates any version of any fare medium without  
102.2 the consent of the transit provider; or

102.3 (4) puts or attempts to put any of the following into any fare box, pass reader, ticket  
102.4 vending machine, or other fare collection equipment of a transit provider:

102.5 (i) papers, articles, instruments, or items other than fare media or currency; or

102.6 (ii) a fare medium that is not valid for the place or time at, or the manner in, which it is  
102.7 used.

102.8 (b) Where self-service barrier-free fare collection is utilized by a public transit provider,  
102.9 it is a violation of this subdivision to intentionally fail to exhibit proof of fare payment upon  
102.10 the request of an authorized transit representative when entering, riding upon, or leaving a  
102.11 transit vehicle or when present in a designated paid fare zone located in a transit facility.

102.12 (c) A person who violates this subdivision must pay a fine of no more than \$10.

102.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and applies to violations  
102.14 committed on or after that date.

102.15 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.855, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

102.16 Subd. 3. **Prohibited activities; petty misdemeanor.** ~~(a) A person is guilty of a~~  
102.17 ~~misdemeanor who, while riding in a vehicle providing public transit service:~~

102.18 ~~(1) operates a radio, television, tape player, electronic musical instrument, or other~~  
102.19 ~~electronic device, other than a watch, which amplifies music, unless the sound emanates~~  
102.20 ~~only from earphones or headphones and except that vehicle operators may operate electronic~~  
102.21 ~~equipment for official business;~~

102.22 ~~(2) smokes or carries lighted smoking paraphernalia;~~

102.23 ~~(3) consumes food or beverages, except when authorized by the operator or other official~~  
102.24 ~~of the transit system;~~

102.25 ~~(4) (a) A person who~~ throws or deposits litter; ~~or~~ while riding in a vehicle providing  
102.26 public transit service is guilty of a petty misdemeanor.

102.27 ~~(5) carries or is in control of an animal without the operator's consent.~~

102.28 (b) A person is guilty of a violation of this subdivision only if the person continues to  
102.29 act in violation of this subdivision after being warned once by an authorized transit  
102.30 representative to stop the conduct.

103.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and applies to violations  
 103.2 committed on or after that date.

103.3 Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.855, is amended by adding a subdivision  
 103.4 to read:

103.5 Subd. 3a. **Prohibited activities; misdemeanor.** (a) A person who performs any of the  
 103.6 following while in a transit vehicle or at a transit facility is guilty of a misdemeanor:

103.7 (1) smokes, as defined in section 144.413, subdivision 4;

103.8 (2) urinates or defecates;

103.9 (3) consumes an alcoholic beverage, as defined in section 340A.101, subdivision 2;

103.10 (4) damages a transit vehicle or transit facility in a manner that meets the requirements  
 103.11 for criminal damage to property in the fourth degree under section 609.595, subdivision 3;

103.12 (5) performs vandalism, defacement, and placement of graffiti as defined in section  
 103.13 617.90, subdivision 1; or

103.14 (6) engages in disorderly conduct as specified in section 609.72, subdivision 1, clause  
 103.15 (3).

103.16 (b) A peace officer, as defined in section 626.84, subdivision 1, paragraph (c), may order  
 103.17 a person to depart a transit vehicle or transit facility for a violation under paragraph (a).

103.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and applies to violations  
 103.19 committed on or after that date.

103.20 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.855, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

103.21 Subd. 7. **Definitions.** (a) The definitions in this subdivision apply in this section.

103.22 (b) "Public transit" or "transit" has the meaning given in section 174.22, subdivision 7.

103.23 (c) "Public transit vehicle" or "transit vehicle" means any vehicle used for the purpose  
 103.24 of providing public transit, whether or not the vehicle is owned or operated by a public  
 103.25 entity.

103.26 (d) "Public transit facilities" or "transit facilities" means any vehicles, equipment,  
 103.27 property, structures, stations, improvements, plants, parking or other facilities, or rights that  
 103.28 are owned, leased, held, or used for the purpose of providing public transit, whether or not  
 103.29 the facility is owned or operated by a public entity.

104.1 (e) "Fare medium" means a ticket, smart card, pass, coupon, token, transfer, or other  
 104.2 medium sold or distributed by a public transit provider, or its authorized agents, for use in  
 104.3 gaining entry to or use of the public transit facilities or vehicles of the provider.

104.4 (f) "Proof of fare payment" means a fare medium valid for the place or time at, or the  
 104.5 manner in, which it is used. If using a reduced-fare medium, proof of fare payment also  
 104.6 includes proper identification demonstrating a person's eligibility for the reduced fare. If  
 104.7 using a fare medium issued solely for the use of a particular individual, proof of fare payment  
 104.8 also includes an identification document bearing a photographic likeness of the individual  
 104.9 and demonstrating that the individual is the person to whom the fare medium is issued.

104.10 (g) "Authorized transit representative" means the person authorized by the transit provider  
 104.11 to operate the transit vehicle, a peace officer, a transit official under section 473.4075,  
 104.12 subdivision 1, or any other person designated by the transit provider as an authorized transit  
 104.13 ~~provider~~ representative under this section.

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

104.15 Sec. 30. Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article 4, section 143, is amended to  
 104.16 read:

104.17 Sec. 143. **STUDY ON POST-COVID PANDEMIC PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION.**

104.18 (a) ~~From funds specified under Minnesota Statutes, section 161.53, paragraph (b), the~~  
 104.19 ~~commissioner of transportation~~ Using existing resources, the Metropolitan Council must  
 104.20 arrange and pay for a study by the Center for Transportation Studies at the University of  
 104.21 Minnesota that examines public transportation after the COVID-19 pandemic is substantially  
 104.22 curtailed in the United States. At a minimum, the study must:

104.23 (1) focus primarily on transit service ~~for commuters in~~ throughout the metropolitan area,  
 104.24 as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 473.121, subdivision 2;

104.25 (2) specifically review Northstar Commuter Rail and commuter-oriented transit service  
 104.26 by the Metropolitan Council and by the suburban transit providers; and

104.27 (3) provide analysis and projections for the public transit system in the metropolitan  
 104.28 area, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 473.121, subdivision 2, on anticipated changes  
 104.29 in:

104.30 (i) ridership;

104.31 (ii) demand for different modes and forms of active and public transportation;

105.1 (iii) transit service levels and features;

105.2 (iv) revenue and expenditures; and

105.3 (v) long-term impacts.

105.4 (b) By ~~February~~ October 1, 2023 ~~2024~~, the ~~commissioner~~ chair of the Metropolitan

105.5 Council must provide a copy of the study to the members of the legislative committees with

105.6 jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance.

105.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following

105.8 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,

105.9 Scott, and Washington.

105.10 Sec. 31. Laws 2022, chapter 39, section 2, is amended to read:

105.11 Sec. 2. **SOUTHWEST LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT; EXPENDITURES AND**

105.12 **SCHEDULE.**

105.13 (a) Annually by January 1 and July 1, the Metropolitan Council must provide status

105.14 updates on the Southwest light rail transit project to the chairs and ranking minority members

105.15 of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance. Each

105.16 status update must include:

105.17 (1) total expenditures on the project during the previous six months as compared to

105.18 projections;

105.19 (2) total expenditures on the project anticipated over the next six months; ~~and~~

105.20 (3) total expenditures on the project to date;

105.21 (4) the total project cost estimate; and

105.22 (5) any change in the date of anticipated project completion.

105.23 (b) The Metropolitan Council must notify the chairs and ranking minority members of

105.24 the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance within

105.25 seven calendar days of making a determination that:

105.26 (1) the anticipated Southwest light rail project completion date is delayed by six months

105.27 or more beyond the estimated completion date determined as of the effective date of this

105.28 section;

105.29 (2) the anticipated Southwest light rail project completion date is delayed by six months

105.30 or more beyond the most recent estimated completion date;

106.1 (3) the total Southwest light rail project cost is anticipated to increase by five percent  
 106.2 or more above the project cost estimate determined as of the effective date of this section;  
 106.3 or

106.4 (4) the total Southwest light rail project cost is anticipated to increase by five percent  
 106.5 or more above the most recent cost estimate.

106.6 (c) On a monthly basis and at least 30 days prior to making an expenditure for the  
 106.7 Southwest light rail transit project, the Metropolitan Council must submit an expenditure  
 106.8 notification for review and comment to the chairs and ranking minority members of the  
 106.9 legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance and to the  
 106.10 members of the Legislative Commission on Metropolitan Government. A notification must  
 106.11 include the following for each expenditure or for a subtotal of related expenditures:

106.12 (1) the expenditure or subtotal amount;

106.13 (2) the specific standard cost category; and

106.14 (3) identification or a brief summary of the nature of the expenditure.

106.15 (d) It is the intent of the legislature that the requirements in paragraph (c) are repealed  
 106.16 following enactment of substantive changes to the governance structure of the Metropolitan  
 106.17 Council.

106.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following  
 106.19 final enactment and applies to expenditures made on or after October 1, 2023. This section  
 106.20 applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

106.21 **Sec. 32. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL CHARTER COMMISSION.**

106.22 Subdivision 1. **Appointments.** Within 30 days of the effective date of this section, the  
 106.23 chief judge of Ramsey County shall appoint 11 individuals from the counties under the  
 106.24 jurisdiction of the Metropolitan Council who have expertise in regional governance and the  
 106.25 law to serve as members of the charter commission.

106.26 Subd. 2. **Terms.** Members of the charter commission shall hold office until February  
 106.27 15, 2024. Vacancies shall be filled by the appointing authority. Appointments shall be made  
 106.28 by filing with the Metropolitan Council. An appointee shall file acceptance of the appointment  
 106.29 with the Metropolitan Council within ten days or be considered to have declined the  
 106.30 appointment.

107.1 Subd. 3. **Chair; rules.** The charter commission shall meet within 30 days after the initial  
107.2 appointment, elect a chair, and establish rules, including quorum requirements, for its  
107.3 operation and procedures.

107.4 Subd. 4. **Expenses and administration.** The members of the charter commission shall  
107.5 receive no compensation except reimbursement for expenses actually incurred in the course  
107.6 of their duties. The Metropolitan Council shall make an appropriation to the charter  
107.7 commission to be used to employ research and clerical assistance, for supplies, and to meet  
107.8 expenses considered necessary by the charter commission. The charter commission shall  
107.9 have the right to request and receive assistance from the Metropolitan Council staff.

107.10 Subd. 5. **Powers and duties.** The charter commission shall frame a proposed charter to  
107.11 provide for the governance structure of the Metropolitan Council. In framing the proposed  
107.12 charter, the charter commission may consult with external experts and scholars. The charter  
107.13 commission shall review and analyze the existing powers, authorities, and responsibilities  
107.14 of the Metropolitan Council, and notwithstanding any law to the contrary, determine that  
107.15 the proposed charter provisions include modifications to existing authority and governance,  
107.16 including the requirement that the Metropolitan Council members be elected. The charter  
107.17 commission shall determine when and the process by which the proposed charter is submitted  
107.18 to the voters affected by the charter.

107.19 Subd. 6. **Report.** The charter commission shall provide a report to the chairs and ranking  
107.20 minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over Metropolitan Council  
107.21 governance by February 15, 2024. The report shall contain the proposed charter, the process  
107.22 and timing of submitting the proposed charter to the voters, and necessary amendments to  
107.23 state law to effectuate the proposed charter.

107.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
107.25 applies to the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

107.26 Sec. 33. **MASS TRANSIT REPORTS; RIDERSHIP; CRIME.**

107.27 (a) The Metropolitan Council must post on the council's website a monthly report,  
107.28 including ridership statistics for each guideway and busway in revenue operation. In each  
107.29 report, the council must also include the ridership projections made at the time of the full  
107.30 funding grant agreement for each guideway and busway. The council must post each monthly  
107.31 report within 60 days after the end of that month. The council must ensure that a report is  
107.32 available on the council's website for a minimum of five years after the report is posted.

108.1 (b) The council must post on the council's website a quarterly report, including crime  
108.2 statistics for crimes occurring on a light rail transit vehicle, bus, commuter rail car, or at  
108.3 any transit platform, stop, or facility. The report must break down the data by mode of transit  
108.4 and type of crime. The council must ensure that a report is available on the council's website  
108.5 for a minimum of five years after the report is posted.

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

108.7 Sec. 34. **METRO MOBILITY ENHANCEMENT PILOT PROGRAM.**

108.8 Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "pilot program" means the Metro  
108.9 Mobility enhancement pilot program established in this section.

108.10 Subd. 2. **Establishment.** Subject to available funds, the Metropolitan Council must  
108.11 implement a pilot program to enhance the existing service levels of Metro Mobility under  
108.12 Minnesota Statutes, section 473.386.

108.13 Subd. 3. **Requirements.** The pilot program must:

108.14 (1) commence by September 1, 2023, and operate until December 31, 2025;

108.15 (2) provide for advanced scheduling of enhanced Metro Mobility service;

108.16 (3) to the extent feasible, provide service outside of the current Metro Mobility hours  
108.17 of service, as follows:

108.18 (i) on weekdays from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.;

108.19 (ii) on Saturdays from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.; and

108.20 (iii) on Sundays from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.;

108.21 (4) cover the entirety of the geographic area specified in Minnesota Statutes, section  
108.22 473.386, subdivision 3, clause (9); and

108.23 (5) establish rider eligibility and fares in a manner that is substantially comparable to  
108.24 the requirements under Metro Mobility.

108.25 Subd. 4. **Legislative report.** By February 1, 2026, the Metropolitan Council must submit  
108.26 a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with  
108.27 jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance concerning the pilot program. At a  
108.28 minimum, the report must:

108.29 (1) summarize pilot program implementation;

108.30 (2) provide a fiscal review that identifies uses of funds;

109.1 (3) analyze results under the pilot program, including improvements to service and  
 109.2 customer experience;

109.3 (4) evaluate accessibility impacts and constraints for riders who use a wheelchair or  
 109.4 otherwise require specialized equipment or service;

109.5 (5) consider service models, technologies, partnership models, and anticipated industry  
 109.6 changes;

109.7 (6) identify findings, practices, and considerations for replication in communities  
 109.8 throughout the state;

109.9 (7) review any modifications under consideration, planned, or implemented for the Metro  
 109.10 Mobility program; and

109.11 (8) make any recommendations on service improvements related to Metro Mobility,  
 109.12 including fiscal implications.

109.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following  
 109.14 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,  
 109.15 Scott, and Washington.

109.16 Sec. 35. **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL; LAND USE STUDY.**

109.17 **Subdivision 1. Definitions.** The definitions provided in Minnesota Statutes, section  
 109.18 473.121, apply to this section.

109.19 **Subd. 2. Metropolitan land use study.** The Metropolitan Council must conduct and  
 109.20 complete a metropolitan land use and transportation policy study on or before June 30,  
 109.21 2024, that analyzes the degree to which current land use and transportation policies in the  
 109.22 metropolitan area support or hinder state and local governmental unit transportation,  
 109.23 environmental, greenhouse gas emissions, and equity goals. The study must be used to  
 109.24 inform the 2050 comprehensive development guide for the metropolitan area.

109.25 **Subd. 3. Study contents.** The study under this section must include:

109.26 (1) a comparison of current land use policies in the metropolitan area with alternative  
 109.27 growth development scenarios, including efficient land use and compact growth;

109.28 (2) a determination of the costs to local and regional metropolitan area government  
 109.29 services to implement efficient land use policies, including the costs to construct and maintain  
 109.30 transportation and water infrastructure and emergency services;

110.1 (3) an analysis of how implementation of efficient land use policies would reduce future  
110.2 costs to local and regional metropolitan area government with regard to transportation and  
110.3 water infrastructure and emergency services;

110.4 (4) an assessment of transportation and related infrastructure necessary to facilitate  
110.5 efficient land use policies, including but not limited to estimations of road lane miles, utility  
110.6 miles, and land acreage necessary to facilitate such policies;

110.7 (5) an analysis of sewer access and water access charges and policies, including an  
110.8 analysis of the differences in the charges between property classifications and charges in  
110.9 urban, suburban, and rural areas;

110.10 (6) the estimated impact implementation of efficient land use policies would have on  
110.11 vehicle miles traveled, access to jobs in essential services, transit viability, and commute  
110.12 modal share in the metropolitan area; and

110.13 (7) any other data or analyses the Metropolitan Council deems relevant.

110.14 Subd. 4. **Report.** The Metropolitan Council must submit a copy of the study under this  
110.15 section to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with  
110.16 jurisdiction over local government and transportation policy and finance by February 1,  
110.17 2025.

110.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

110.19 Sec. 36. **TRANSIT SERVICE INTERVENTION PROJECT.**

110.20 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have  
110.21 the meanings given.

110.22 (b) "Council" means the Metropolitan Council established under Minnesota Statutes,  
110.23 chapter 473.

110.24 (c) "Intervention project" means the transit service intervention project established in  
110.25 this section.

110.26 Subd. 2. **Establishment.** A transit service intervention project is established to provide  
110.27 coordinated, high-visibility interventions on light rail transit lines that provide for enhanced  
110.28 social services outreach and engagement, code of conduct regulation, and law enforcement.

110.29 Subd. 3. **Project management.** The council must implement the intervention project.

110.30 Subd. 4. **Participating organizations.** The council must seek the participation of the  
110.31 following entities to provide for coordination on the intervention project:

- 111.1 (1) the Department of Human Services;
- 111.2 (2) the Department of Public Safety;
- 111.3 (3) the Minnesota State Patrol;
- 111.4 (4) the Metropolitan Council;
- 111.5 (5) the Metro Transit Police Department;
- 111.6 (6) each county within which a light rail transit line operates;
- 111.7 (7) each city within which a light rail transit line operates;
- 111.8 (8) the Metropolitan Airports Commission;
- 111.9 (9) the National Alliance on Mental Illness Minnesota;
- 111.10 (10) the exclusive representative of transit vehicle operators; and
- 111.11 (11) other interested community-based social service organizations.
- 111.12 Subd. 5. **Duties.** (a) In collaboration with the participating organizations under subdivision
- 111.13 4, the council must:
- 111.14 (1) establish social services intervention teams that consist of social services personnel
- 111.15 and personnel from nonprofit organizations having mental health services or support capacity
- 111.16 to perform on-site social services engagement with:
- 111.17 (i) transit riders experiencing homelessness;
- 111.18 (ii) transit riders with substance use disorders or mental or behavioral health disorders;
- 111.19 or
- 111.20 (iii) a combination of items (i) and (ii);
- 111.21 (2) establish coordinated intervention teams that consist of personnel under clause (1),
- 111.22 community service officers, and peace officers;
- 111.23 (3) implement interventions in two phases as follows:
- 111.24 (i) by June 1, 2023, and for a period of three weeks, deploy the social services intervention
- 111.25 teams on a mobile basis on light rail transit lines and facilities; and
- 111.26 (ii) beginning at the conclusion of the period under item (i), and for a period of at least
- 111.27 nine weeks, deploy the coordinated intervention teams on a mobile basis on light rail transit
- 111.28 lines and facilities, utilizing both social services and law enforcement partners; and

112.1 (4) evaluate impacts of the intervention teams related to social services outreach, code  
 112.2 of conduct violations, and rider experience.

112.3 (b) Social services engagement under paragraph (a) includes but is not limited to  
 112.4 providing outreach, preliminary assessment and screening, information and resource sharing,  
 112.5 referral or connections to service providers, assistance in arranging for services, and precrisis  
 112.6 response.

112.7 Subd. 6. **Administration.** Using existing resources, the council must provide staff  
 112.8 assistance and administrative support for the project.

112.9 Subd. 7. **Reports.** By the 15th of each month, the council must submit a status report  
 112.10 to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction  
 112.11 over transportation policy and finance. At a minimum, each report must include:

112.12 (1) a summary of activities under the intervention project;

112.13 (2) a fiscal review of expenditures; and

112.14 (3) analysis of impacts and outcomes related to social services outreach, violations under  
 112.15 Minnesota Statutes, sections 473.4065 and 609.855, and rider experience.

112.16 Subd. 8. **Expiration.** This section expires June 30, 2024.

112.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following  
 112.18 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,  
 112.19 Scott, and Washington.

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## ARTICLE 7

112.21

### NONMOTORIZED AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

112.22 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 123B.90, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

112.23 Subd. 2. **Student training.** (a) Each district must provide public school pupils enrolled  
 112.24 in kindergarten through grade 10 with age-appropriate school bus safety training, as described  
 112.25 in this section, of the following concepts:

112.26 (1) transportation by school bus is a privilege and not a right;

112.27 (2) district policies for student conduct and school bus safety;

112.28 (3) appropriate conduct while on the school bus;

112.29 (4) the danger zones surrounding a school bus;

112.30 (5) procedures for safely boarding and leaving a school bus;

113.1 (6) procedures for safe street or road crossing; and

113.2 (7) school bus evacuation.

113.3 (b) Each nonpublic school located within the district must provide all nonpublic school  
113.4 pupils enrolled in kindergarten through grade 10 who are transported by school bus at public  
113.5 expense and attend school within the district's boundaries with training as required in  
113.6 paragraph (a).

113.7 (c) Students enrolled in kindergarten through grade 6 who are transported by school bus  
113.8 and are enrolled during the first or second week of school must receive the school bus safety  
113.9 training competencies by the end of the third week of school. Students enrolled in grades  
113.10 7 through 10 who are transported by school bus and are enrolled during the first or second  
113.11 week of school and have not previously received school bus safety training must receive  
113.12 the training or receive bus safety instructional materials by the end of the sixth week of  
113.13 school. Students taking driver's training instructional classes must receive training in the  
113.14 laws and proper procedures when operating a motor vehicle in the vicinity of a school bus  
113.15 as required by section 169.446, subdivisions 2 and 3. Students enrolled in kindergarten  
113.16 through grade 10 who enroll in a school after the second week of school and are transported  
113.17 by school bus and have not received training in their previous school district shall undergo  
113.18 school bus safety training or receive bus safety instructional materials within four weeks  
113.19 of the first day of attendance. Upon request of the superintendent of schools, the school  
113.20 transportation safety director in each district must certify to the superintendent that all  
113.21 students transported by school bus within the district have received the school bus safety  
113.22 training according to this section. Upon request of the superintendent of the school district  
113.23 where the nonpublic school is located, the principal or other chief administrator of each  
113.24 nonpublic school must certify to the school transportation safety director of the district in  
113.25 which the school is located that the school's students transported by school bus at public  
113.26 expense have received training according to this section.

113.27 (d) A district and a nonpublic school with students transported by school bus at public  
113.28 expense may provide kindergarten pupils with bus safety training before the first day of  
113.29 school.

113.30 ~~(e) A district and a nonpublic school with students transported by school bus at public~~  
113.31 ~~expense may also provide student safety education for bicycling and pedestrian safety, for~~  
113.32 ~~students enrolled in kindergarten through grade 5.~~

114.1 ~~(f)~~ (e) A district and a nonpublic school with students transported by school bus at public  
 114.2 expense must make reasonable accommodations for the school bus safety training of pupils  
 114.3 known to speak English as a second language and pupils with disabilities.

114.4 ~~(g)~~ (f) The district and a nonpublic school with students transported by school bus at  
 114.5 public expense must provide students enrolled in kindergarten through grade 3 school bus  
 114.6 safety training twice during the school year.

114.7 ~~(h)~~ (g) A district and a nonpublic school with students transported by school bus at public  
 114.8 expense must conduct a school bus evacuation drill at least once during the school year.

114.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

114.10 Sec. 2. **[123B.935] ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION SAFETY TRAINING.**

114.11 **Subdivision 1. Training required.** (a) Each district must provide public school pupils  
 114.12 enrolled in kindergarten through grade 3 with age-appropriate active transportation safety  
 114.13 training. At a minimum, the training must include pedestrian safety, including crossing  
 114.14 roads.

114.15 (b) Each district must provide public school pupils enrolled in grades 4 through 8 with  
 114.16 age-appropriate active transportation safety training. At a minimum, the training must  
 114.17 include:

114.18 (1) pedestrian safety, including crossing roads safely using the searching left, right, left  
 114.19 for vehicles in traffic technique; and

114.20 (2) bicycle safety, including relevant traffic laws, use and proper fit of protective  
 114.21 headgear, bicycle parts and safety features, and safe biking techniques.

114.22 (c) A nonpublic school may provide nonpublic school pupils enrolled in kindergarten  
 114.23 through grade 8 with training as specified in paragraphs (a) and (b).

114.24 **Subd. 2. Deadlines.** (a) Students under subdivision 1, paragraph (a), who are enrolled  
 114.25 during the first or second week of school and have not previously received active  
 114.26 transportation safety training specified in that paragraph must receive the safety training by  
 114.27 the end of the third week of school.

114.28 (b) Students under subdivision 1, paragraph (b), who are enrolled during the first or  
 114.29 second week of school and have not previously received active transportation safety training  
 114.30 specified in that paragraph must receive the safety training by the end of the sixth week of  
 114.31 school.

115.1 (c) Students under subdivision 1, paragraph (a) or (b), who enroll in a school after the  
115.2 second week of school and have not received the appropriate active transportation safety  
115.3 training in their previous school district must undergo the training or receive active  
115.4 transportation safety instructional materials within four weeks of the first day of attendance.

115.5 (d) A district and a nonpublic school may provide kindergarten pupils with active  
115.6 transportation safety training before the first day of school.

115.7 Subd. 3. **Instruction.** (a) A district may provide active transportation safety training  
115.8 through distance learning.

115.9 (b) A district and a nonpublic school must make reasonable accommodations for the  
115.10 active transportation safety training of pupils known to speak English as a second language  
115.11 and pupils with disabilities.

115.12 Subd. 4. **Model program.** The commissioner of transportation must maintain a  
115.13 comprehensive collection of active transportation safety training materials that meets the  
115.14 requirements under this section.

115.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

115.16 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 160.262, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

115.17 Subd. 3. **Cooperation among agencies and governments.** (a) The departments and  
115.18 agencies on the active transportation advisory committee identified in section 174.375 must  
115.19 provide information and advice for the bikeway design guidelines maintained by the  
115.20 commissioner.

115.21 (b) The commissioner must provide technical assistance to local units of government  
115.22 in:

115.23 (1) local planning and development of bikeways;

115.24 (2) establishing connections to state bicycle routes; and

115.25 (3) implementing statewide bicycle plans maintained by the commissioner.

115.26 (c) The commissioner may cooperate with and enter into agreements with the United  
115.27 States government, any department of the state of Minnesota, any unit of local government,  
115.28 any tribal government, or any public or private corporation in order to effect the purposes  
115.29 of this section.

115.30 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

116.1 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 160.266, subdivision 1b, is amended to read:

116.2 Subd. 1b. **State bicycle routes.** The commissioner of transportation must identify state  
116.3 bicycle routes primarily on existing road right-of-way and trails. State bicycle routes must  
116.4 be identified in cooperation with road and trail authorities, including the commissioner of  
116.5 natural resources, and with the advice of the active transportation advisory committee under  
116.6 section 174.375. In a metropolitan area, state bicycle routes must be identified in coordination  
116.7 with the plans and priorities established by metropolitan planning organizations, as defined  
116.8 in United States Code, title 23, section 134.

116.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

116.10 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 160.266, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

116.11 Subd. 6. **Mississippi River Trail.** The Mississippi River Trail bikeway is designated as  
116.12 a state bicycle route. It must originate at Itasca State Park in Clearwater, Beltrami, and  
116.13 Hubbard Counties, then generally parallel the Mississippi River through the cities of Bemidji  
116.14 in Beltrami County, Grand Rapids in Itasca County, Brainerd in Crow Wing County, Little  
116.15 Falls in Morrison County, Sauk Rapids in Benton County, St. Cloud in Stearns County,  
116.16 Minneapolis in Hennepin County, St. Paul in Ramsey County, Hastings in Dakota County,  
116.17 Red Wing in Goodhue County, Wabasha in Wabasha County, Winona in Winona County,  
116.18 and La Crescent in Houston County to Minnesota's boundary with Iowa and there terminate.  
116.19 Where opportunities exist, the bikeway may be designated on both sides of the Mississippi  
116.20 River.

116.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

116.22 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 160.266, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
116.23 read:

116.24 Subd. 7. **Jim Oberstar Bikeway.** The Jim Oberstar Bikeway is designated as a state  
116.25 bicycle route. It must originate in the city of St. Paul in Ramsey County, then proceed north  
116.26 and east to Duluth in St. Louis County, then proceed north and east along the shore of Lake  
116.27 Superior through Grand Marais in Cook County to Minnesota's boundary with Canada, and  
116.28 there terminate.

116.29 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

117.1 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.18, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

117.2 Subd. 3. **Passing.** ~~The following rules shall govern the overtaking and passing of vehicles~~  
 117.3 ~~proceeding in the same direction, subject to the limitations, exceptions, and special rules~~  
 117.4 ~~hereinafter stated:~~

117.5 ~~(1)(a)~~ (a) The driver of a vehicle overtaking another vehicle proceeding in the same direction  
 117.6 ~~shall~~ must pass to the left ~~thereof~~ of the other vehicle at a safe distance and ~~shall not again~~  
 117.7 ~~drive~~ is prohibited from returning to the right side of the roadway until safely clear of the  
 117.8 overtaken vehicle;

117.9 ~~(2)(b)~~ (b) Except when overtaking and passing on the right is permitted, the driver of an  
 117.10 overtaken vehicle ~~shall~~ must give way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle ~~on~~  
 117.11 ~~audible warning,~~ and ~~shall~~ must not increase the speed of the overtaken vehicle until  
 117.12 completely passed by the overtaking vehicle; ~~and.~~

117.13 ~~(3)(c)~~ (c) The operator of a motor vehicle overtaking a bicycle or individual proceeding in  
 117.14 the same direction on the roadway ~~shall leave~~ or shoulder must:

117.15 (1) either:

117.16 (i) maintain a safe clearance distance while passing, but in no case less than which must  
 117.17 be at least the greater of three feet clearance, when passing the bicycle or individual or  
 117.18 one-half the width of the motor vehicle; or

117.19 (ii) completely enter another lane of the roadway while passing; and shall

117.20 (2) maintain clearance until the motor vehicle has safely past passed the overtaken bicycle  
 117.21 or individual.

117.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

117.23 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.222, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

117.24 Subd. 4. **Riding rules.** (a) Every person operating a bicycle ~~upon a roadway shall~~ on a  
 117.25 road must ride as close as ~~practicable~~ to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway ~~except~~  
 117.26 ~~under any of the following situations~~ road as the bicycle operator determines is safe. A  
 117.27 person operating a bicycle is not required to ride as close to the right-hand curb or edge  
 117.28 when:

117.29 (1) ~~when~~ overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction;

117.30 (2) ~~when~~ preparing for a left turn at an intersection or into a private road or driveway;

118.1 (3) ~~when~~ reasonably necessary to avoid conditions that make it unsafe to continue along  
 118.2 the right-hand curb or edge, including fixed or moving objects, vehicles, pedestrians, animals,  
 118.3 surface hazards, or narrow-width narrow-width lanes, ~~that make it unsafe to continue along~~  
 118.4 ~~the right-hand curb or edge; or;~~

118.5 (4) ~~when~~ operating on the shoulder of a roadway or in a bicycle lane; or

118.6 (5) operating in a right-hand turn lane before entering an intersection.

118.7 (b) If a bicycle is traveling on a shoulder of a roadway, the bicycle ~~shall~~ operator must  
 118.8 travel in the same direction as adjacent vehicular traffic.

118.9 (c) Persons riding bicycles upon a roadway or shoulder ~~shall~~ must not ride more than  
 118.10 two abreast and ~~shall not impede the normal and reasonable movement of traffic and,~~ on a  
 118.11 laned roadway, shall ride within a single lane.

118.12 (d) A person operating a bicycle upon a sidewalk, or across a roadway or shoulder on a  
 118.13 crosswalk, ~~shall~~ must yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian and ~~shall~~ give an audible  
 118.14 signal when necessary before overtaking and passing any pedestrian. ~~No~~ A person ~~shall~~  
 118.15 must not ride a bicycle upon a sidewalk within a business district unless permitted by local  
 118.16 authorities. Local authorities may prohibit the operation of bicycles on any sidewalk or  
 118.17 crosswalk under their jurisdiction.

118.18 (e) An individual operating a bicycle or other vehicle on a bikeway ~~shall~~ must (1) give  
 118.19 an audible signal a safe distance prior to overtaking a bicycle or individual, (2) leave a safe  
 118.20 clearance distance when overtaking a bicycle or individual proceeding in the same direction  
 118.21 ~~on the bikeway,~~ and ~~shall~~ (3) maintain clearance until safely past the overtaken bicycle or  
 118.22 individual.

118.23 (f) Notwithstanding section 169.06, subdivision 4, a bicycle operator may cross an  
 118.24 intersection proceeding from the leftmost one-third of a dedicated right-hand turn lane  
 118.25 without turning right.

118.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

118.27 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.222, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 118.28 read:

118.29 **Subd. 4a. Stopping requirements.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision, "in the vicinity"  
 118.30 means located in an intersection or approaching an intersection in a manner that constitutes  
 118.31 a hazard of collision during the time that a bicycle operator would occupy the intersection.

119.1 (b) A bicycle operator who approaches a stop sign must slow to a speed that allows for  
 119.2 stopping before entering the intersection or the nearest crosswalk. Notwithstanding  
 119.3 subdivision 1 and section 169.06, subdivision 4, if there is not a vehicle in the vicinity, the  
 119.4 operator may make a turn or proceed through the intersection without stopping.

119.5 (c) A bicycle operator who approaches a traffic-control signal with a steady red indication,  
 119.6 including a circular red signal or red arrow signal, must slow to a speed that allows for  
 119.7 stopping before entering the intersection or the nearest crosswalk. Notwithstanding  
 119.8 subdivision 1 and section 169.06, subdivision 5, if there is not a vehicle in the vicinity, the  
 119.9 operator:

119.10 (1) may make a right-hand turn, or a left-hand turn onto a one-way roadway, without  
 119.11 stopping; and

119.12 (2) must otherwise perform a complete stop and then may make a turn or proceed through  
 119.13 the intersection before the traffic-control signal indication changes to green.

119.14 (d) Nothing in this subdivision alters the right-of-way requirements under section 169.20.  
 119.15 The provisions under this subdivision do not apply when traffic is controlled by a peace  
 119.16 officer or a person authorized to control traffic under section 169.06.

119.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

119.18 Sec. 10. **[174.375] ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

119.19 Subdivision 1. **Committee established; duties.** (a) The commissioner of transportation  
 119.20 must establish an active transportation advisory committee. The advisory committee must  
 119.21 make recommendations to the commissioner on items related to:

119.22 (1) active transportation, including safety, education, and development programs;

119.23 (2) the active transportation program under section 174.38; and

119.24 (3) the safe routes to school program under section 174.40.

119.25 (b) The committee must review and analyze issues and needs relating to active  
 119.26 transportation on public rights-of-way and identify solutions and goals for addressing  
 119.27 identified issues and needs.

119.28 (c) For purposes of this section, "active transportation" includes bicycling, pedestrian  
 119.29 activities, and other forms of nonmotorized transportation.

119.30 Subd. 2. **Membership.** (a) The advisory committee consists of the members specified  
 119.31 in this subdivision.

120.1 (b) The commissioner of transportation must appoint up to 18 public members as follows:  
120.2 one member from each of the department's seven greater Minnesota districts; four members  
120.3 from the department's metropolitan district; and no more than seven members at large. Each  
120.4 of the members at large must represent nonmotorized interests or organizations.

120.5 (c) The commissioners of each of the following state agencies must appoint an employee  
120.6 of the agency to serve as a member: administration, education, health, natural resources,  
120.7 public safety, transportation, and pollution control. The chair of the Metropolitan Council  
120.8 must appoint an employee of the council to serve as a member. The director of Explore  
120.9 Minnesota Tourism must appoint an employee of the agency to serve as a member.

120.10 (d) The division administrator of the Federal Highway Administration may appoint an  
120.11 employee of the agency to serve as a member.

120.12 (e) Each member of the committee serves a four-year term at the pleasure of the  
120.13 appointing authority.

120.14 (f) The committee must select a chair from its membership.

120.15 Subd. 3. **Meetings; staffing.** (a) The advisory committee must establish a meeting  
120.16 schedule and meet at least annually.

120.17 (b) The commissioner of transportation must provide department staff support to the  
120.18 advisory committee.

120.19 Subd. 4. **Expenses.** (a) Members of the advisory committee serve without compensation,  
120.20 but members who are not employees of government agencies must be reimbursed for  
120.21 expenses in the same manner and amount as authorized by the commissioner's plan adopted  
120.22 under section 43A.18, subdivision 2.

120.23 (b) To provide compensation under paragraph (a), the commissioner of transportation  
120.24 may expend the amount necessary from general fund appropriations.

120.25 Subd. 5. **Reports.** The advisory committee must submit an annual report to the  
120.26 commissioner of transportation.

120.27 Subd. 6. **Expiration.** The advisory committee expires June 30, 2033.

120.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment. The  
120.29 commissioner of transportation must convene the first meeting by October 15, 2023.

121.1 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 174.38, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

121.2 Subd. 6. **Use of funds.** (a) The commissioner must determine permissible uses of financial  
121.3 assistance under this section, which are limited to:

121.4 (1) construction and maintenance of bicycle, trail, and pedestrian infrastructure, including  
121.5 but not limited to safe routes to school infrastructure and bicycle facilities and centers; and

121.6 (2) noninfrastructure programming, including activities as specified in section 174.40,  
121.7 subdivision 7a, paragraph (b).

121.8 (b) Of the amount made available in each fiscal year, the first \$500,000 is for grants to  
121.9 develop, maintain, and implement active transportation safety curriculum for youth ages  
121.10 five to 14 years old, and if remaining funds are available, for (1) youth ages 15 to 17 years  
121.11 old, (2) adult active transportation safety programs, and (3) adult learn-to-ride programs.  
121.12 The curriculum must include resources for teachers and must meet the model training  
121.13 materials requirements under section 123B.935, subdivision 4.

121.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

## 121.15 ARTICLE 8

### 121.16 MISCELLANEOUS

121.17 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 3.9741, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

121.18 Subd. 5. **State Data security; account; appropriation.** ~~(a)~~ The data security account  
121.19 is created in the special revenue fund. Receipts credited to the account are appropriated to  
121.20 the legislative auditor.

121.21 ~~(b) Subject to available funds appropriated under paragraph (a), the legislative auditor~~  
121.22 ~~shall:~~

121.23 ~~(1) review and audit the audit reports of subscribers and requesters submitted under~~  
121.24 ~~section 168.327, subdivision 6, including producing findings and opinions;~~

121.25 ~~(2) in collaboration with the commissioner and affected subscribers and requesters,~~  
121.26 ~~recommend corrective action plans to remediate any deficiencies identified under clause~~  
121.27 ~~(1); and~~

121.28 ~~(3) review and audit driver records subscription services and bulk data practices of the~~  
121.29 ~~Department of Public Safety, including identifying any deficiencies and making~~  
121.30 ~~recommendations to the commissioner.~~

122.1 ~~(e) The legislative auditor shall submit any reports, findings, and recommendations~~  
122.2 ~~under this subdivision to the legislative commission on data practices.~~

122.3 **Sec. 2. [4.076] ADVISORY COUNCIL ON TRAFFIC SAFETY.**

122.4 **Subdivision 1. Definition.** For purposes of this section, "advisory council" means the  
122.5 Advisory Council on Traffic Safety established in this section.

122.6 **Subd. 2. Establishment.** (a) The Advisory Council on Traffic Safety is established to  
122.7 advise, consult with, assist in planning coordination, and make program recommendations  
122.8 to the commissioners of public safety, transportation, and health on the development and  
122.9 implementation of projects and programs intended to improve traffic safety on all Minnesota  
122.10 road systems.

122.11 (b) The advisory council serves as the lead for the state Toward Zero Deaths program.

122.12 **Subd. 3. Membership; chair.** (a) The advisory council consists of the following  
122.13 members:

122.14 (1) the chair, which is filled on a two-year rotating basis by a designee from:

122.15 (i) the Office of Traffic Safety in the Department of Public Safety;

122.16 (ii) the Office of Traffic Engineering in the Department of Transportation; and

122.17 (iii) the Injury and Violence Prevention Section in the Department of Health;

122.18 (2) two vice chairs, which must be filled by the two designees who are not currently  
122.19 -serving as chair of the advisory council under clause (1);

122.20 (3) the statewide Toward Zero Deaths coordinator;

122.21 (4) a regional coordinator from the Toward Zero Deaths program;

122.22 (5) the chief of the State Patrol or a designee;

122.23 (6) the state traffic safety engineer in the Department of Transportation or a designee;

122.24 (7) a law enforcement liaison from the Department of Public Safety;

122.25 (8) a representative from the Department of Human Services;

122.26 (9) a representative from the Department of Education;

122.27 (10) a representative from the Council on Disability;

122.28 (11) a representative for Tribal governments;

- 123.1 (12) a representative from the Center for Transportation Studies at the University of  
123.2 Minnesota;
- 123.3 (13) a representative from the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association;
- 123.4 (14) a representative from the Minnesota Sheriffs' Association;
- 123.5 (15) a representative from the Minnesota Safety Council;
- 123.6 (16) a representative from AAA Minnesota;
- 123.7 (17) a representative from the Minnesota Trucking Association;
- 123.8 (18) a representative from the Insurance Federation of Minnesota;
- 123.9 (19) a representative from the Association of Minnesota Counties;
- 123.10 (20) a representative from the League of Minnesota Cities;
- 123.11 (21) the American Bar Association State Judicial Outreach Liaison;
- 123.12 (22) a representative from the City Engineers Association of Minnesota;
- 123.13 (23) a representative from the Minnesota County Engineers Association;
- 123.14 (24) a representative from the Bicycle Alliance of Minnesota;
- 123.15 (25) two individuals representing vulnerable road users, including pedestrians, bicyclists,  
123.16 and other operators of a personal conveyance;
- 123.17 (26) a representative from Minnesota Operation Lifesaver;
- 123.18 (27) a representative from the Minnesota Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association;
- 123.19 (28) a representative from the Minnesota Association for Pupil Transportation;
- 123.20 (29) a representative from the State Trauma Advisory Council;
- 123.21 (30) a person representing metropolitan planning organizations; and
- 123.22 (31) a person representing contractors engaged in construction and maintenance of  
123.23 highways and other infrastructure.
- 123.24 (b) The commissioners of public safety and transportation must jointly appoint the  
123.25 advisory council members under paragraph (a), clauses (11), (25), (30), and (31).
- 123.26 Subd. 4. Duties. The advisory council must:
- 123.27 (1) advise the governor and heads of state departments and agencies on policies, programs,  
123.28 and services affecting traffic safety;

124.1 (2) advise the appropriate representatives of state departments on the activities of the  
124.2 Toward Zero Deaths program, including but not limited to educating the public about traffic  
124.3 safety;

124.4 (3) encourage state departments and other agencies to conduct needed research in the  
124.5 field of traffic safety;

124.6 (4) review recommendations of the subcommittees and working groups;

124.7 (5) review and comment on all grants dealing with traffic safety and on the development  
124.8 and implementation of state and local traffic safety plans; and

124.9 (6) make recommendations on safe road zone safety measures under section 169.065.

124.10 Subd. 5. **Administration.** (a) The Office of Traffic Safety in the Department of Public  
124.11 Safety, in cooperation with the Departments of Transportation and Health, must serve as  
124.12 the host agency for the advisory council and must manage the administrative and operational  
124.13 aspects of the advisory council's activities. The commissioner of public safety must perform  
124.14 financial management on behalf of the council.

124.15 (b) The advisory council must meet no less than four times per year, or more frequently  
124.16 as determined by the chair, a vice chair, or a majority of the council members. The advisory  
124.17 council is subject to chapter 13D.

124.18 (c) The chair must regularly report to the respective commissioners on the activities of  
124.19 the advisory council and on the state of traffic safety in Minnesota.

124.20 (d) The terms, compensation, and appointment of members are governed by section  
124.21 15.059.

124.22 (e) The advisory council may appoint subcommittees and working groups. Subcommittees  
124.23 must consist of council members. Working groups may include nonmembers. Nonmembers  
124.24 on working groups must be compensated pursuant to section 15.059, subdivision 3, only  
124.25 for expenses incurred for working group activities.

124.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

124.27 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 13.69, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

124.28 Subdivision 1. **Classifications.** (a) The following government data of the Department  
124.29 of Public Safety are private data:

124.30 (1) medical data on driving instructors, licensed drivers, and applicants for parking  
124.31 certificates and special license plates issued to physically disabled persons;

125.1 (2) other data on holders of a disability certificate under section 169.345, except that (i)  
125.2 data that are not medical data may be released to law enforcement agencies, and (ii) data  
125.3 necessary for enforcement of sections 169.345 and 169.346 may be released to parking  
125.4 enforcement employees or parking enforcement agents of statutory or home rule charter  
125.5 cities and towns;

125.6 (3) Social Security numbers in driver's license and motor vehicle registration records,  
125.7 except that Social Security numbers must be provided to the Department of Revenue for  
125.8 purposes of debt collection and tax administration, the Department of Labor and Industry  
125.9 for purposes of workers' compensation administration and enforcement, the judicial branch  
125.10 for purposes of debt collection, and the Department of Natural Resources for purposes of  
125.11 license application administration, and except that the last four digits of the Social Security  
125.12 number must be provided to the Department of Human Services for purposes of recovery  
125.13 of Minnesota health care program benefits paid; ~~and~~

125.14 (4) data on persons listed as standby or temporary custodians under section 171.07,  
125.15 subdivision 11, except that the data must be released to:

125.16 (i) law enforcement agencies for the purpose of verifying that an individual is a designated  
125.17 caregiver; or

125.18 (ii) law enforcement agencies who state that the license holder is unable to communicate  
125.19 at that time and that the information is necessary for notifying the designated caregiver of  
125.20 the need to care for a child of the license holder; and

125.21 (5) race and ethnicity data on driver's license holders and identification card holders  
125.22 under section 171.06, subdivision 3. The Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic  
125.23 Safety is authorized to receive race and ethnicity data from Driver and Vehicle Services for  
125.24 only the purposes of research, evaluation, and public reports.

125.25 The department may release the Social Security number only as provided in clause (3)  
125.26 and must not sell or otherwise provide individual Social Security numbers or lists of Social  
125.27 Security numbers for any other purpose.

125.28 (b) The following government data of the Department of Public Safety are confidential  
125.29 data: data concerning an individual's driving ability when that data is received from a member  
125.30 of the individual's family.

125.31 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for driver's license and identification  
125.32 card applications received on or after January 1, 2024.

126.1 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 13.6905, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
126.2 read:

126.3 Subd. 37. **Oil and other hazardous substances transportation data.** (a) Certain data  
126.4 on oil and other hazardous substances transported by railroads are governed by section  
126.5 219.055, subdivision 8.

126.6 (b) Certain data on oil and other hazardous substances transportation incident reviews  
126.7 are governed by section 299A.55, subdivision 5.

126.8 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 115E.042, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

126.9 Subd. 2. **Training.** (a) Each railroad must offer training to each fire department and  
126.10 each local organization for emergency management under section 12.25 having jurisdiction  
126.11 along the route of unit trains. Initial training under this subdivision must be offered to each  
126.12 fire department by June 30, 2016, and routes over which the railroad transports oil or other  
126.13 hazardous substances. Refresher training must be offered to each fire department and local  
126.14 organization for emergency management at least once every three years thereafter after  
126.15 initial training under this subdivision.

126.16 (b) The training must address ~~the general hazards of oil and hazardous substances,~~  
126.17 ~~techniques to assess hazards to the environment and to the safety of responders and the~~  
126.18 ~~public, factors an incident commander must consider in determining whether to attempt to~~  
126.19 ~~suppress a fire or to evacuate the public and emergency responders from an area, and other~~  
126.20 ~~strategies for initial response by local emergency responders. The training must include~~  
126.21 ~~suggested protocol or practices for local responders to safely accomplish these tasks~~ methods  
126.22 to identify rail cars and hazardous substance contents, responder safety issues, rail response  
126.23 tactics, public notification and evacuation considerations, environmental contamination  
126.24 response, railroad response personnel and resources coordination at an incident, and other  
126.25 protocols and practices for safe initial local response as required under subdivision 4,  
126.26 including the notification requirements and the responsibilities of an incident commander  
126.27 during a rail incident involving oil or other hazardous substances, as provided in subdivisions  
126.28 3 and 4.

126.29 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 115E.042, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

126.30 Subd. 3. **Emergency response planning; coordination.** ~~Beginning June 30, 2015,~~ (a)  
126.31 Each railroad must communicate at least annually with each ~~county or city~~ applicable  
126.32 emergency manager, safety representatives of railroad employees governed by the Railway  
126.33 Labor Act, and ~~a senior~~ each applicable fire department officer ~~of each fire department~~

127.1 ~~having jurisdiction~~ along the ~~route of a unit train~~ routes over which oil or other hazardous  
 127.2 substances are transported, in order to:

127.3 (1) ensure coordination of emergency response activities between the railroad and local  
 127.4 responders;

127.5 (2) assist emergency managers in identifying and assessing local rail-specific threats,  
 127.6 hazards, and risks; and

127.7 (3) assist railroads in obtaining information from emergency managers regarding specific  
 127.8 local natural and technical hazards and threats in the local area that may impact rail operations  
 127.9 or public safety.

127.10 (b) The coordination under paragraph (a), clauses (2) and (3), must include identification  
 127.11 of increased risks and potential special responses due to high population concentration,  
 127.12 critical local infrastructure, key facilities, significant venues, sensitive natural environments,  
 127.13 and other factors identified by railroads, emergency managers, and fire departments.

127.14 (c) The commissioner of public safety must compile and make available to railroads a  
 127.15 list of applicable emergency managers and applicable fire chiefs, which must include contact  
 127.16 information. The commissioner must make biennial updates to the list of emergency managers  
 127.17 and fire chiefs and make the list of updated contact information available to railroads.

127.18 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 115E.042, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

127.19 Subd. 4. **Response capabilities; time limits.** (a) Following confirmation of a discharge,  
 127.20 a railroad must deliver and deploy sufficient equipment and trained personnel to (1) contain  
 127.21 and recover discharged oil or other hazardous substances ~~and to~~, (2) protect the environment,  
 127.22 and (3) assist local public safety officials. Within 15 minutes of a rail incident involving oil  
 127.23 or other hazardous substances being discharged or released, a railroad must contact the  
 127.24 applicable emergency manager and applicable fire chief having jurisdiction along the route  
 127.25 where the incident occurred. After learning of the rail incident involving oil or other  
 127.26 hazardous substances, the applicable emergency manager and applicable fire chief must,  
 127.27 as soon as practicable, identify and provide contact information of the responsible incident  
 127.28 commander to the reporting railroad.

127.29 (b) Within 15 minutes of local emergency responder arrival on the scene of a rail incident  
 127.30 involving oil or other hazardous substances, a railroad must assist the incident commander  
 127.31 to determine the nature of any hazardous substance known to have been released and  
 127.32 hazardous substance cargo transported on the train. Assistance must include providing  
 127.33 information that identifies the chemical content of the hazardous substance, contact

128.1 information for the shipper, and instructions for dealing with the release of the material. A  
 128.2 railroad may provide information on the hazardous substances transported on the train  
 128.3 through the train orders on board the train or by facsimile or electronic transmission.

128.4 (c) Within one hour of confirmation of a discharge, a railroad must provide a qualified  
 128.5 company employee representative to advise the incident commander, assist in assessing the  
 128.6 situation, initiate railroad response actions as needed, and provide advice and  
 128.7 recommendations to the incident commander regarding the response. The employee  
 128.8 representative may be made available by telephone, and must be authorized to deploy all  
 128.9 necessary response resources of the railroad.

128.10 ~~(e)~~ (d) Within three hours of confirmation of a discharge, a railroad must be capable of  
 128.11 delivering monitoring equipment and a trained operator to assist in protection of responder  
 128.12 and public safety. A plan to ensure delivery of monitoring equipment and an operator to a  
 128.13 discharge site must be provided each year to the commissioner of public safety.

128.14 ~~(d)~~ (e) Within three hours of confirmation of a discharge, a railroad must provide (1)  
 128.15 qualified personnel at a discharge site to assess the discharge and to advise the incident  
 128.16 commander, and (2) resources to assist the incident commander with ongoing public safety  
 128.17 and scene stabilization.

128.18 ~~(e)~~ (f) A railroad must be capable of deploying containment boom from land across  
 128.19 sewer outfalls, creeks, ditches, and other places where oil or other hazardous substances  
 128.20 may drain, in order to contain leaked material before it reaches those resources. The  
 128.21 arrangement to provide containment boom and staff may be made by:

128.22 (1) training and caching equipment with local jurisdictions;

128.23 (2) training and caching equipment with a fire mutual-aid group;

128.24 (3) means of an industry cooperative or mutual-aid group;

128.25 (4) deployment of a contractor;

128.26 (5) deployment of a response organization under state contract; or

128.27 (6) other dependable means acceptable to the Pollution Control Agency.

128.28 ~~(f)~~ (g) Each arrangement under paragraph ~~(e)~~ (f) must be confirmed each year. Each  
 128.29 arrangement must be tested by drill at least once every five years.

128.30 ~~(g)~~ (h) Within eight hours of confirmation of a discharge, a railroad must be capable of  
 128.31 delivering and deploying containment boom, boats, oil recovery equipment, trained staff,  
 128.32 and all other materials needed to provide:

129.1 (1) on-site containment and recovery of a volume of oil equal to ten percent of the  
 129.2 calculated worst case discharge at any location along the route; and

129.3 (2) protection of listed sensitive areas and potable water intakes within one mile of a  
 129.4 discharge site and within eight hours of water travel time downstream in any river or stream  
 129.5 that the right-of-way intersects.

129.6 ~~(h)~~ (i) Within 60 hours of confirmation of a discharge, a railroad must be capable of  
 129.7 delivering and deploying additional containment boom, boats, oil recovery equipment,  
 129.8 trained staff, and all other materials needed to provide containment and recovery of a worst  
 129.9 case discharge and to protect listed sensitive areas and potable water intakes at any location  
 129.10 along the route.

129.11 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 115E.042, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

129.12 Subd. 5. **Railroad drills.** (a) Each railroad must conduct ~~at least one~~ oil containment,  
 129.13 recovery, and sensitive area protection ~~drill~~ exercises involving oil or other hazardous  
 129.14 substances as follows: (1) at least one tabletop exercise every year; and (2) at least one  
 129.15 full-scale exercise every three years; Each exercise must be at a location, date, and time  
 129.16 and in the manner chosen by the Pollution Control Agency, and attended by safety  
 129.17 representatives of railroad employees governed by the Railway Labor Act.

129.18 (b) To the extent feasible, the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency must  
 129.19 coordinate each exercise with exercises required by federal agencies.

129.20 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 115E.042, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

129.21 Subd. 6. **Prevention and response plans; requirements; submission.** ~~(a) By June 30,~~  
 129.22 ~~2015,~~ A railroad shall submit the prevention and response plan ~~required under section~~  
 129.23 ~~115E.04, as necessary to comply with the requirements of this section,~~ to the commissioner  
 129.24 of the Pollution Control Agency on a form designated by the commissioner.

129.25 ~~(b) By June 30 of~~ Every third year following a plan submission under this subdivision,  
 129.26 or sooner as provided under section 115E.04, subdivision 2, a railroad must update and  
 129.27 resubmit the prevention and response plan to the commissioner.

129.28 Sec. 10. **[160.2325] HIGHWAYS FOR HABITAT PROGRAM.**

129.29 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have  
 129.30 the meanings given.

130.1 (b) "Integrated roadside vegetation management" means an approach to right-of-way  
130.2 maintenance that combines a variety of techniques with sound ecological principles to  
130.3 establish and maintain safe, healthy, and functional roadsides. Integrated roadside vegetation  
130.4 management includes but is not limited to judicious use of herbicides, spot mowing,  
130.5 biological control, prescribed burning, mechanical tree and brush removal, erosion prevention  
130.6 and treatment, and prevention and treatment of other right-of-way disturbances.

130.7 (c) "Program" means the highways for habitat program established in this section.

130.8 Subd. 2. **Program establishment.** The commissioner must establish a highways for  
130.9 habitat program to enhance roadsides with pollinator and other wildlife habitat and vegetative  
130.10 buffers.

130.11 Subd. 3. **General requirements.** In implementing the program, the commissioner must:

130.12 (1) identify and prioritize highways for habitat installations under an integrated roadside  
130.13 vegetation management plan with priority given to new construction and reconstruction;

130.14 (2) develop and erect signage, where appropriate, that identifies highways for habitat  
130.15 projects and clearly marks the habitat and management restrictions;

130.16 (3) develop training for department personnel and contractors that apply pesticides and  
130.17 manage vegetation on the use of integrated roadside vegetation management and native  
130.18 plant identification;

130.19 (4) assess, in consultation with the commissioners of natural resources and agriculture,  
130.20 the categorization and management of noxious weeds to reduce the use of mowing and  
130.21 pesticides;

130.22 (5) maintain a website that includes information on program implementation, program  
130.23 funding and expenditures, integrated roadside vegetation management, and related best  
130.24 management practices; and

130.25 (6) identify funding sources and develop proposals for ongoing funding for the program.

130.26 Subd. 4. **Management standards.** (a) The commissioner, in consultation with the  
130.27 commissioner of natural resources and the Board of Water and Soil Resources, must develop  
130.28 standards and best management practices for integrated roadside vegetation management  
130.29 plans under the program.

130.30 (b) To the extent feasible, the standards and best management practices must include:

130.31 (1) guidance on seed and vegetation selection based on the Board of Water and Soil  
130.32 Resources' native vegetation establishment and enhancement guidelines;

131.1 (2) requirements for roadside vegetation management protocols that avoid the use of  
 131.2 pollinator lethal insecticides as defined under section 18H.02, subdivision 28a;

131.3 (3) practices that are designed to avoid habitat destruction and protect nesting birds,  
 131.4 pollinators, and other wildlife, except as necessary to control noxious weeds; and

131.5 (4) identification of appropriate right-of-way tracts for wildflower and native habitat  
 131.6 establishment.

131.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

131.8 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.045, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

131.9 Subd. 3. **Limitations on spending.** (a) A commissioner must not pay for any of the  
 131.10 following with funds from the highway user tax distribution fund or the trunk highway fund:

131.11 (1) Bureau of Criminal Apprehension laboratory;

131.12 (2) Explore Minnesota Tourism kiosks;

131.13 (3) Minnesota Safety Council;

131.14 (4) driver education programs;

131.15 (5) Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board;

131.16 (6) Mississippi River Parkway Commission;

131.17 (7) payments to the Department of Information Technology Services in excess of actual  
 131.18 costs incurred for trunk highway purposes;

131.19 (8) personnel costs incurred on behalf of the governor's office;

131.20 (9) the Office of Aeronautics within the Department of Transportation;

131.21 (10) the Office of Transit and Active Transportation within the Department of  
 131.22 Transportation;

131.23 (11) the Office of Passenger Rail;

131.24 (12) purchase and maintenance of soft body armor under section 299A.38;

131.25 (13) tourist information centers;

131.26 (14) parades, events, or sponsorships of events;

131.27 (15) ~~rent and utility expenses for the department's central office building;~~

131.28 ~~(16) the installation, construction, expansion, or maintenance of public electric vehicle~~  
 131.29 ~~infrastructure;~~

132.1 ~~(17)~~ (16) the statewide notification center for excavation services pursuant to chapter  
132.2 216D; and

132.3 ~~(18)~~ (17) manufacturing license plates.

132.4 (b) The prohibition in paragraph (a) includes all expenses for the named entity or program,  
132.5 including but not limited to payroll, purchased services, supplies, repairs, and equipment.  
132.6 This prohibition on spending applies to any successor entities or programs that are  
132.7 substantially similar to the entity or program named in this subdivision.

132.8 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

132.9 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section, the following terms have the  
132.10 meanings given:

132.11 (1) "beyond the project limits" means any point that is located:

132.12 (i) outside of the project limits;

132.13 (ii) along the same trunk highway; and

132.14 (iii) within the same region of the state;

132.15 (2) "city" means a statutory or home rule charter city;

132.16 (3) "greater Minnesota area" means the counties that are not metropolitan counties;

132.17 (4) "metropolitan area" means Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,  
132.18 Scott, and Washington counties;

132.19 ~~(3)~~ (5) "program" means the corridors of commerce program established in this section;  
132.20 and

132.21 ~~(4)~~ (6) "project limits" means the estimated construction limits of a project for trunk  
132.22 highway construction, reconstruction, or maintenance, that is a candidate for selection under  
132.23 the corridors of commerce program.

132.24 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

132.25 Subd. 2. **Program authority; funding.** (a) As provided in this section, the commissioner  
132.26 shall establish a corridors of commerce program for trunk highway construction,  
132.27 reconstruction, and improvement, including maintenance operations, that improves commerce  
132.28 in the state.

132.29 (b) The commissioner may expend funds under the program from appropriations to the  
132.30 commissioner that are:

- 133.1 (1) made specifically by law for use under this section;
- 133.2 (2) at the discretion of the commissioner, made for the budget activities in the state roads  
 133.3 program of operations and maintenance, program planning and delivery, or state road  
 133.4 construction; and
- 133.5 (3) made for the corridor investment management strategy program, unless specified  
 133.6 otherwise.
- 133.7 (c) The commissioner ~~shall~~ must include in the program the cost participation policy  
 133.8 for local units of government.
- 133.9 (d) The commissioner may use up to 17 percent of any appropriation ~~to the program~~  
 133.10 under this section for program delivery and for project scoring, ranking, and selection under  
 133.11 subdivision 5.
- 133.12 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, subdivision 4, is amended to read:
- 133.13 Subd. 4. **Project eligibility.** (a) The eligibility requirements for projects that can be  
 133.14 funded under the program are:
- 133.15 (1) consistency with the statewide multimodal transportation plan under section 174.03;
- 133.16 (2) location of the project on an interregional corridor, for a project located outside of  
 133.17 the Department of Transportation metropolitan district;
- 133.18 (3) placement into at least one project classification under subdivision 3;
- 133.19 (4) project construction work will commence within ~~three~~ four years, or a longer length  
 133.20 of time as determined by the commissioner; and
- 133.21 (5) for each type of project classification under subdivision 3, a maximum allowable  
 133.22 amount for the total project cost estimate, as determined by the commissioner with available  
 133.23 data.
- 133.24 (b) A project whose construction is programmed in the state transportation improvement  
 133.25 program is not eligible for funding under the program. This paragraph does not apply to a  
 133.26 project that is programmed as result of selection under this section.
- 133.27 (c) A project may be, but is not required to be, identified in the 20-year state highway  
 133.28 investment plan under section 174.03.
- 133.29 (d) For each project, the commissioner must consider all of the eligibility requirements  
 133.30 under paragraph (a). The commissioner is prohibited from considering any eligibility  
 133.31 requirement not specified under paragraph (a).

134.1 (e) A project in the greater Minnesota area with a total project cost of more than  
 134.2 \$10,000,000 is classified as a greater Minnesota large project. A project in the greater  
 134.3 Minnesota area with a total project cost of \$10,000,000 or less is classified as a greater  
 134.4 Minnesota small project. All projects in the metropolitan area are classified as metropolitan  
 134.5 projects, regardless of the total project cost.

134.6 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

134.7 **Subd. 5. Project selection process; criteria.** (a) The commissioner must establish a  
 134.8 process to identify, evaluate, and select projects under the program. The process must be  
 134.9 consistent with the requirements of this subdivision and must not include any additional  
 134.10 evaluation criteria.

134.11 (b) As part of the project selection process, the commissioner must annually accept  
 134.12 recommendations on candidate projects from area transportation partnerships and ~~other~~  
 134.13 ~~interested stakeholders in each Department of Transportation district~~ counties in the  
 134.14 metropolitan area as provided by this section. The commissioner must determine the  
 134.15 eligibility for each candidate project ~~identified under this paragraph~~ that is submitted as  
 134.16 provided in this section. For each eligible project, the commissioner must classify and  
 134.17 evaluate the project for the program, using all of the criteria established under paragraph  
 134.18 ~~(e)~~ (d).

134.19 (c) Before proceeding to the evaluation required under paragraph (d), all project  
 134.20 recommendations submitted for consideration must be screened as follows:

134.21 (1) for projects in the greater Minnesota area:

134.22 (i) the area transportation partnership for the area must review all project  
 134.23 recommendations from the partnership's area;

134.24 (ii) each area transportation partnership must select up to three large projects and three  
 134.25 small projects as defined in subdivision 4 to recommend for advancement to the evaluation  
 134.26 process under paragraph (d). Each area transportation partnership may develop its own  
 134.27 process to determine which projects to recommend. An area transportation partnership must  
 134.28 not include the same segment of road in more than one project; and

134.29 (iii) only the projects recommended for evaluation may be developed by the department  
 134.30 and scored for selection under paragraph (d). All projects not recommended for evaluation  
 134.31 are disqualified from further consideration and must not be evaluated under paragraph (d);  
 134.32 and

134.33 (2) for projects located in the metropolitan area:

135.1 (i) projects located within a county in the metropolitan area must be reviewed by the  
 135.2 county board;

135.3 (ii) each county board must select up to two projects to recommend for advancement to  
 135.4 the evaluation process under paragraph (d). A board must not include the same segment of  
 135.5 road in more than one project. Each board may develop its own process to determine which  
 135.6 project to recommend; and

135.7 (iii) only the projects submitted by the county boards as provided in this paragraph may  
 135.8 be developed by the department and scored for selection under paragraph (d). All projects  
 135.9 not recommended for evaluation are disqualified from further consideration and must not  
 135.10 be evaluated under paragraph (d).

135.11 ~~(e)~~ (d) Projects must be evaluated using all of the following criteria:

135.12 (1) a return on investment measure that provides for comparison across eligible projects;

135.13 (2) measurable impacts on commerce and economic competitiveness;

135.14 (3) efficiency in the movement of freight, including but not limited to:

135.15 (i) measures of annual average daily traffic and commercial vehicle miles traveled, which  
 135.16 may include data near the project location on that trunk highway or on connecting trunk  
 135.17 and local highways; and

135.18 (ii) measures of congestion or travel time reliability, which may be within or near the  
 135.19 project limits, or both;

135.20 (4) improvements to traffic safety;

135.21 (5) connections to regional trade centers, local highway systems, and other transportation  
 135.22 modes;

135.23 (6) the extent to which the project addresses multiple transportation system policy  
 135.24 objectives and principles;

135.25 (7) support and consensus for the project among members of the surrounding community;

135.26 (8) the time and work needed before construction may begin on the project; ~~and~~

135.27 (9) regional balance throughout the state; and

135.28 (10) written recommendations submitted as provided by subdivision 5a.

135.29 The commissioner must ~~give the criteria in clauses (1) to (8) equal weight in~~ assign 100  
 135.30 selection points to each evaluation criterion set forth in clauses (1) to (8) for the selection  
 135.31 process.

136.1 (e) The commissioner must select projects so that approximately 50 percent of the  
 136.2 available funding is used for projects in the metropolitan area and the other 50 percent is  
 136.3 used for projects in the greater Minnesota area. Of funding for projects in the metropolitan  
 136.4 area, at least 45 percent must be spent for projects in Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Scott,  
 136.5 and Washington Counties. Of the funding for projects in the greater Minnesota area,  
 136.6 approximately 25 percent must be used for projects classified as greater Minnesota small  
 136.7 projects as defined in subdivision 4. When selecting projects in the greater Minnesota area,  
 136.8 the commissioner must select projects so that no district has two or more projects more than  
 136.9 any other district.

136.10 ~~(d) The list of all projects evaluated must be made public and must include the score of~~  
 136.11 ~~each project~~ (f) The commissioner must publish information regarding the selection process  
 136.12 on the department's website. The information must include:

136.13 (1) lists of all projects submitted for consideration and all projects recommended by the  
 136.14 screening entities;

136.15 (2) the scores and ranking for each project; and

136.16 (3) an overview of each selected project, with amounts and sources of funding.

136.17 ~~(e)~~ (g) As part of the project selection process, the commissioner may divide funding to  
 136.18 be separately available among projects within each classification under subdivision 3, and  
 136.19 may apply separate or modified criteria among those projects falling within each  
 136.20 classification.

136.21 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, is amended by adding a subdivision  
 136.22 to read:

136.23 Subd. 5a. **Recommendations.** After receiving all projects submitted pursuant to  
 136.24 subdivision 5 but before making final selections, the commissioner must compile a list of  
 136.25 all projects that were submitted and transmit the list to each legislator and to the governor.  
 136.26 The list must include the location of each project and a brief description of the work to be  
 136.27 done. Within 30 days of the date the project list is transmitted, each legislator and the  
 136.28 governor may submit to the commissioner a written recommendation for one project on the  
 136.29 list. The commissioner must award one additional point to a project for each written  
 136.30 recommendation received for that project.

137.1 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, is amended by adding a subdivision  
137.2 to read:

137.3 Subd. 5b. **Project selection period.** Beginning July 1, 2027, and every five years  
137.4 thereafter, area transportation partnerships and the metropolitan counties must submit  
137.5 projects to the commissioner of transportation as provided in subdivision 5. The  
137.6 commissioner must evaluate the projects and select projects by March 1 of the following  
137.7 year. To the greatest extent possible, the commissioner must select a sufficient number of  
137.8 projects to ensure that all funds allocated for the five-year period are encumbered or spent  
137.9 by the end of the period. If all selected projects are funded in the five-year time period and  
137.10 there were projects that were identified and not selected, the commissioner must select  
137.11 additional projects from the original project submissions. If all the projects that were  
137.12 submitted are funded, the commissioner may authorize an additional project selection period  
137.13 to select projects for the remainder of the period. Except as authorized by this subdivision,  
137.14 the project submission and selection process must only occur every five years.

137.15 Sec. 18. [161.178] TRANSPORTATION GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACT  
137.16 ASSESSMENT.

137.17 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have  
137.18 the meanings given.

137.19 (b) "Assessment" means the capacity expansion impact assessment under this section.

137.20 (c) "Capacity expansion project" means a project for trunk highway construction or  
137.21 reconstruction that:

137.22 (1) is a major highway project, as defined in section 174.56, subdivision 1, paragraph

137.23 (b); and

137.24 (2) adds highway traffic capacity or provides for grade separation at an intersection,  
137.25 excluding auxiliary lanes with a length of less than 2,500 feet.

137.26 (d) "Embodied carbon emissions" means the total carbon dioxide emissions from all  
137.27 stages of production of a product or material including but not limited to mining, processing  
137.28 of raw materials, and manufacturing.

137.29 (e) "Greenhouse gas emissions" includes those emissions described in section 216H.01,  
137.30 subdivision 2.

137.31 Subd. 2. **Project assessment.** (a) Prior to including a capacity expansion project in the  
137.32 state transportation improvement program, the commissioner must perform a capacity

138.1 expansion impact assessment of the project. Following the assessment, the commissioner  
138.2 must determine if the project conforms with:

138.3 (1) the greenhouse gas emissions reduction benchmarks under section 174.01, subdivision  
138.4 3;

138.5 (2) the vehicle miles traveled reduction targets established in the statewide multimodal  
138.6 transportation plan under section 174.03, subdivision 1a; and

138.7 (3) providing neutral or positive environmental effects in areas of persistent poverty or  
138.8 historically disadvantaged communities disrupted, displaced, or otherwise harmed by past  
138.9 transportation infrastructure decisions.

138.10 (b) If the commissioner determines that the capacity expansion project is not in  
138.11 conformance with paragraph (a), the commissioner must:

138.12 (1) alter the scope or design of the project and perform a revised assessment that meets  
138.13 the requirements under this section;

138.14 (2) interlink sufficient impact mitigation as provided in subdivision 4; or

138.15 (3) halt project development and disallow inclusion of the project in the state  
138.16 transportation improvement program.

138.17 Subd. 3. **Assessment requirements.** (a) The commissioner must establish a process to  
138.18 perform capacity expansion impact assessments. An assessment must provide for the  
138.19 determination under subdivision 2.

138.20 (b) Analysis under an assessment must include but is not limited to estimates resulting  
138.21 from the project for the following:

138.22 (1) total embodied carbon emissions;

138.23 (2) greenhouse gas emissions over a period of 20 years;

138.24 (3) change in vehicle miles traveled for the trunk highway segment and in other impacted  
138.25 areas within the state; and

138.26 (4) a calculation of positive, neutral, or negative environmental effects based on:

138.27 (i) air quality and pollution;

138.28 (ii) noise pollution;

138.29 (iii) general public health; and

138.30 (iv) other measures as determined by the commissioner.

139.1 (c) The commissioner must establish criteria to identify areas of persistent poverty and  
139.2 historically disadvantaged communities based on measures and definitions in state and  
139.3 federal law and federal guidance. The criteria must include a consideration of whether a  
139.4 historically disadvantaged community was disrupted, displaced, or otherwise harmed by  
139.5 past transportation decisions.

139.6 Subd. 4. **Impact mitigation.** (a) To provide for impact mitigation, the commissioner  
139.7 must interlink the capacity expansion project as provided in this subdivision. Impact  
139.8 mitigation is sufficient under subdivision 2, paragraph (b), if the capacity expansion project  
139.9 is interlinked to mitigation actions such that:

139.10 (1) the total greenhouse gas emissions reduction from the mitigation actions, after  
139.11 accounting for the greenhouse gas emissions otherwise resulting from the capacity expansion  
139.12 project, is consistent with meeting the benchmarks and targets specified under subdivision  
139.13 2, paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (2); and

139.14 (2) the total positive environmental effects from the actions equals or exceeds the negative  
139.15 environmental effects, as determined under subdivision 3, paragraph (b), clause (4), otherwise  
139.16 resulting from the capacity expansion project.

139.17 (b) Each comparison under paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (2), must be performed over  
139.18 equal comparison periods.

139.19 (c) A mitigation action consists of a project, program, or operations modification in one  
139.20 or more of the following areas:

139.21 (1) transit expansion, including but not limited to regular route bus, arterial bus rapid  
139.22 transit, highway bus rapid transit, rail transit, and intercity passenger rail;

139.23 (2) transit service improvements, including but not limited to increased service level,  
139.24 transit fare reduction, and transit priority treatments;

139.25 (3) active transportation infrastructure;

139.26 (4) micromobility infrastructure and service, including but not limited to shared vehicle  
139.27 services;

139.28 (5) transportation demand management, including but not limited to vanpool and shared  
139.29 vehicle programs, remote work, and broadband access expansion;

139.30 (6) parking management, including but not limited to parking requirements reduction  
139.31 or elimination and parking cost adjustments;

140.1 (7) land use, including but not limited to residential and other density increases, mixed-use  
140.2 development, and transit-oriented development; and

140.3 (8) highway construction materials or practices modifications to provide for greenhouse  
140.4 gas emissions reductions.

140.5 (d) A mitigation action may be identified as interlinked to the capacity expansion project  
140.6 if:

140.7 (1) there is a specified project, program, or modification;

140.8 (2) the necessary funding sources are identified and sufficient amounts are committed;

140.9 (3) the mitigation is localized as provided in paragraph (e); and

140.10 (4) procedures are established to ensure that the mitigation action remains in substantially  
140.11 the same form or a revised form that continues to meet the calculation under paragraph (a).

140.12 (e) The area or corridor of a mitigation action must be localized in the following priority  
140.13 order:

140.14 (1) within or associated with at least one of the communities impacted by the capacity  
140.15 expansion project;

140.16 (2) if there is not a reasonably feasible location under clause (1), in the region of the  
140.17 capacity expansion project; or

140.18 (3) if there is not a reasonably feasible location under clauses (1) and (2), on a statewide  
140.19 basis.

140.20 (f) The commissioner must include an explanation regarding the feasibility and rationale  
140.21 for each mitigation action located under paragraph (e), clauses (2) and (3).

140.22 Subd. 5. **Public information.** The commissioner must publish information regarding  
140.23 capacity expansion impact assessments on the department's website. The information must  
140.24 include:

140.25 (1) identification of capacity expansion projects; and

140.26 (2) for each project, a summary that includes an overview of the expansion impact  
140.27 assessment, the impact determination by the commissioner, and project disposition including  
140.28 a review of any mitigation actions.

140.29 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective February 1, 2025.

141.1 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.45, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

141.2 Subdivision 1. **Rules.** (a) Electric transmission, telephone, or telegraph lines; pole lines;  
141.3 community antenna television lines; railways; ditches; sewers; water, heat, or gas mains;  
141.4 gas and other pipelines; flumes; or other structures which, under the laws of this state or  
141.5 the ordinance of any city, may be constructed, placed, or maintained across or along any  
141.6 trunk highway, or the roadway thereof, by any person, persons, corporation, or any  
141.7 subdivision of the state, may be so maintained or hereafter constructed only in accordance  
141.8 with such rules as may be prescribed by the commissioner who shall have power to prescribe  
141.9 and enforce reasonable rules with reference to the placing and maintaining along, across,  
141.10 or in any such trunk highway of any of the utilities hereinbefore set forth.

141.11 (b) The rules under paragraph (a) must not prohibit an entity that has a right to use the  
141.12 public road right-of-way pursuant to section 222.37, subdivision 1, and that has a power  
141.13 purchase agreement or an agreement to transfer ownership with a Minnesota utility that  
141.14 directly, or through its members or agents, provides retail electric service in the state from  
141.15 placing and maintaining electric transmission lines along, across, or in any trunk highway  
141.16 except as necessary to protect public safety. Nothing herein shall restrict the actions of  
141.17 public authorities in extraordinary emergencies nor restrict the power and authority of the  
141.18 commissioner of commerce as provided for in other provisions of law. Provided, however,  
141.19 that in the event any local subdivision of government has enacted ordinances relating to the  
141.20 method of installation or requiring underground installation of such community antenna  
141.21 television lines, the permit granted by the commissioner of transportation shall require  
141.22 compliance with such local ordinance.

141.23 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.45, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

141.24 Subd. 2. **Relocation of utility.** Whenever the relocation of any utility facility is  
141.25 necessitated by the construction of a project on a trunk highway ~~routes other than those~~  
141.26 ~~described in section 161.46, subdivision 2~~ route, the relocation work may be made a part  
141.27 of the state highway construction contract or let as a separate contract as provided by law  
141.28 if the owner or operator of the facility requests the commissioner to act as its agent for the  
141.29 purpose of relocating the facilities and if the commissioner determines that such action is  
141.30 in the best interests of the state. Payment by the utility owner or operator to the state shall  
141.31 be in accordance with applicable statutes and the rules for utilities on trunk highways.

142.1 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.46, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

142.2 Subd. 2. **Relocation of facilities; reimbursement.** (a) Whenever the commissioner shall  
142.3 determine the relocation of any utility facility is necessitated by the construction of a project  
142.4 on the routes of federally aided state trunk highways, including urban extensions thereof,  
142.5 which routes are included within the National System of Interstate Highways, the owner or  
142.6 operator of such utility facility shall relocate the same in accordance with the order of the  
142.7 commissioner. After the completion of such relocation the cost thereof shall be ascertained  
142.8 and paid by the state out of trunk highway funds; provided, however, the amount to be paid  
142.9 by the state for such reimbursement shall not exceed the amount on which the federal  
142.10 government bases its reimbursement for said interstate system.

142.11 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), on or after January 1, 2024, any entity that receives  
142.12 a route permit under chapter 216E for a high-voltage transmission line necessary to  
142.13 interconnect an electric power generating facility is not eligible for relocation reimbursement  
142.14 unless the entity directly, or through its members or agents, provides retail electric service  
142.15 in this state.

142.16 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.53, is amended to read:

142.17 **161.53 RESEARCH ACTIVITIES.**

142.18 (a) The commissioner may set aside in each fiscal year up to two percent of the total  
142.19 amount of all funds appropriated to the commissioner other than county state-aid and  
142.20 municipal state-aid highway funds for transportation research including public and private  
142.21 research partnerships. The commissioner shall spend this money for (1) research to improve  
142.22 the design, construction, maintenance, management, and environmental compatibility of  
142.23 transportation systems, including research into and implementation of innovations in  
142.24 bridge-monitoring technology and bridge inspection technology; bridge inspection techniques  
142.25 and best practices; and the cost-effectiveness of deferred or lower cost highway and bridge  
142.26 design and maintenance activities and their impacts on long-term trunk highway costs and  
142.27 maintenance needs; (2) research on transportation policies that enhance energy efficiency  
142.28 and economic development; (3) programs for implementing and monitoring research results;  
142.29 and (4) development of transportation education and outreach activities.

142.30 (b) Of all funds appropriated to the commissioner other than state-aid funds, the  
142.31 commissioner shall spend at least 0.1 percent, ~~but not exceeding \$2,000,000 in any fiscal~~  
142.32 ~~year,~~ for research and related activities performed by the Center for Transportation Studies  
142.33 of the University of Minnesota. The center shall establish a technology transfer and training  
142.34 center for Minnesota transportation professionals.

143.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

143.2 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.27, subdivision 31, is amended to read:

143.3 Subd. 31. **Documentary fee.** (a) A motor vehicle dealer may not charge a documentary  
143.4 fee or document administration fee in excess of the amounts provided under paragraph (b)  
143.5 for services actually rendered to, for, or on behalf of the retail buyer or lessee to prepare,  
143.6 handle, and process documents for the closing of a motor vehicle retail sale or lease of a  
143.7 vehicle being registered in the state of Minnesota. The fee must be separately stated on the  
143.8 sales agreement maintained under Minnesota Rules, part 7400.5200, and may be excluded  
143.9 from the dealer's advertised price.

143.10 (b) For motor vehicle sales or leases made on or after July 1, ~~2017~~ 2023, through June  
143.11 30, ~~2020~~ 2024, the maximum fee is ~~\$100~~ the lesser of \$200 or an amount equal to ten percent  
143.12 of the value of the sale or lease. For motor vehicle sales or leases made on or after July 1,  
143.13 ~~2020~~ 2024, through June 30, 2025, the maximum fee is ~~\$125~~ the lesser of \$275 or an amount  
143.14 equal to ten percent of the value of the sale or lease. For motor vehicle sales or leases made  
143.15 on or after July 1, 2025, the maximum fee is the lesser of \$350 or an amount equal to ten  
143.16 percent of the value of the sale or lease.

143.17 (c) "Documentary fee" and "document administration fee" do not include an optional  
143.18 electronic transfer fee as defined under section 53C.01, subdivision 14.

143.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for motor vehicle sales and leases made  
143.20 on or after July 1, 2023.

143.21 Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.011, subdivision 27, is amended to read:

143.22 Subd. 27. **Electric-assisted bicycle.** "Electric-assisted bicycle" means a bicycle with  
143.23 two or three wheels that:

143.24 (1) has a saddle and fully operable pedals for human propulsion;

143.25 (2) meets the requirements for bicycles under Code of Federal Regulations, title 16, part  
143.26 1512, or successor requirements;

143.27 (3) is equipped with an electric motor that has a power output of not more than 750  
143.28 watts; ~~and~~

143.29 (4) meets the requirements of a class 1, class 2, or class 3 electric-assisted bicycle; and

143.30 (5) has a battery or electric drive system that has been tested to an applicable safety  
143.31 standard by a third-party testing laboratory.

144.1 Sec. 25. [169.065] SAFE ROAD ZONES.

144.2 Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "local request" means a formal  
144.3 request collectively submitted by the chief law enforcement officer of a political subdivision  
144.4 serving the proposed safe road zone, the local road authority for the proposed safe road  
144.5 zone, and the chief executive officer, board, or designee by resolution of the political  
144.6 subdivision encompassing the proposed safe road zone.

144.7 Subd. 2. **Establishment.** (a) The commissioner may designate a safe road zone as  
144.8 provided in this section.

144.9 (b) Upon receipt of a local request, the commissioner, in consultation with the  
144.10 commissioner of public safety, must consider designating a segment of a street or highway  
144.11 as a safe road zone. In determining the designation of a safe road zone, the commissioner  
144.12 must evaluate traffic safety concerns for the street or highway, including but not limited to:  
144.13 excessive speed; crash history; safety of pedestrians, bicyclists, or other vulnerable road  
144.14 users; intersection risks; and roadway design.

144.15 Subd. 3. **Implementation.** The Advisory Council on Traffic Safety under section 4.076  
144.16 must make recommendations to the commissioners of public safety and transportation on  
144.17 supporting the local authority with implementation of safety measures for each safe road  
144.18 zone through education, public awareness, behavior modification, and traffic engineering  
144.19 efforts. Safety measures for a safe road zone may include:

144.20 (1) providing safe road zone signs to the local authority for use in the zone;

144.21 (2) consulting with the local authority on roadway design modifications to improve  
144.22 safety;

144.23 (3) performing statewide safe road zone public awareness and educational outreach;

144.24 (4) providing safe road zone outreach materials to the local authority for distribution to  
144.25 the general public;

144.26 (5) working with the local authority to enhance safety conditions in the zone;

144.27 (6) establishing a speed limit as provided under section 169.14, subdivision 5i, with  
144.28 supporting speed enforcement and education measures; and

144.29 (7) evaluating the impacts of safety measures in the zone on: crashes; injuries and  
144.30 fatalities; property damage; transportation system disruptions; safety for vulnerable roadway  
144.31 users, including pedestrians and bicyclists; and other measures as identified by the  
144.32 commissioner.

145.1 Subd. 4. **Traffic enforcement.** The commissioner of public safety must coordinate with  
 145.2 local law enforcement agencies to determine implementation of enhanced traffic enforcement  
 145.3 in a safe road zone designated under this section.

145.4 Subd. 5. **Program information.** The commissioner of transportation must maintain  
 145.5 information on a website that summarizes safe road zone implementation, including but not  
 145.6 limited to identification of requests for and designations of safe road zones, an overview of  
 145.7 safety measures and traffic enforcement activity, and a review of annual expenditures.

145.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

145.9 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.14, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 145.10 read:

145.11 Subd. 5i. **Speed limits in safe road zone.** (a) Upon request by the local authority, the  
 145.12 commissioner may establish a temporary or permanent speed limit in a safe road zone  
 145.13 designated under section 169.065, other than the limits provided in subdivision 2, based on  
 145.14 an engineering and traffic investigation.

145.15 (b) The speed limit under this subdivision is effective upon the erection of appropriate  
 145.16 signs designating the speed and indicating the beginning and end of the segment on which  
 145.17 the speed limit is established. Any speed in excess of the posted limit is unlawful.

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

145.19 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.18, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

145.20 Subd. 11. **Passing parked authorized vehicle; citation; probable cause.** (a) ~~For~~  
 145.21 ~~purposes of this subdivision, "authorized vehicle" means an authorized emergency vehicle,~~  
 145.22 ~~as defined under section 169.011, subdivision 3; a tow truck or towing vehicle, as defined~~  
 145.23 ~~under section 168B.011, subdivision 12a; a freeway service patrol vehicle; a road~~  
 145.24 ~~maintenance vehicle; a utility company vehicle; a construction vehicle; a solid waste vehicle;~~  
 145.25 ~~or a recycling vehicle.~~

145.26 (b) (a) When approaching and before passing an authorized a vehicle with its emergency,  
 145.27 flashing, or warning lights activated that is parked or otherwise stopped on or next to a street  
 145.28 or highway having two lanes in the same direction, the driver of a vehicle shall safely move  
 145.29 the vehicle to the lane farthest away from the authorized vehicle, if it is possible to do so.

145.30 (e) (b) When approaching and before passing an authorized a vehicle with its emergency,  
 145.31 flashing, or warning lights activated that is parked or otherwise stopped on or next to a street  
 145.32 or highway having more than two lanes in the same direction, the driver of a vehicle shall

146.1 safely move the vehicle so as to leave a full lane vacant between the driver and any lane in  
146.2 which the ~~authorized~~ parked or stopped vehicle is completely or partially parked or otherwise  
146.3 stopped, if it is possible to do so.

146.4 ~~(d)~~ (c) If a lane change under paragraph ~~(b)~~ or (e) ~~(a)~~ or (b) is impossible, or when  
146.5 approaching and before passing ~~an authorized~~ a vehicle with its emergency, flashing, or  
146.6 warning lights activated that is parked or otherwise stopped on or next to a street or highway  
146.7 having only one lane in the same direction, the driver of a vehicle must reduce the speed of  
146.8 the motor vehicle to a speed that is reasonable and prudent under the conditions until the  
146.9 motor vehicle has completely passed the parked or stopped ~~authorized~~ vehicle, if it is possible  
146.10 to do so.

146.11 ~~(e)~~ (d) A peace officer may issue a citation to the driver of a motor vehicle if the peace  
146.12 officer has probable cause to believe that the driver has operated the vehicle in violation of  
146.13 this subdivision within the four-hour period following the termination of the incident or a  
146.14 receipt of a report under paragraph ~~(f)~~ (e). The citation may be issued even though the  
146.15 violation was not committed in the presence of the peace officer.

146.16 ~~(f)~~ (e) Although probable cause may be otherwise satisfied by other evidentiary elements  
146.17 or factors, probable cause is sufficient for purposes of this subdivision when the person  
146.18 cited is operating the vehicle described by a member of the crew of an authorized emergency  
146.19 vehicle or a towing vehicle as defined in section 168B.011, subdivision 12a, responding to  
146.20 an incident in a timely report of the violation of this subdivision, which includes a description  
146.21 of the vehicle used to commit the offense and the vehicle's license plate number. For the  
146.22 purposes of issuance of a citation under paragraph ~~(e)~~ (d), "timely" means that the report  
146.23 must be made within a four-hour period following the termination of the incident.

146.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and applies to violations  
146.25 committed on or after that date.

146.26 Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.345, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

146.27 Subd. 2. **Definitions.** (a) For the purpose of section 168.021 and this section, the following  
146.28 terms have the meanings given them in this subdivision.

146.29 (b) "Health professional" means a licensed physician, licensed physician assistant,  
146.30 advanced practice registered nurse, licensed physical therapist, or licensed chiropractor.

146.31 (c) "Long-term certificate" means a certificate issued for a period greater than 12 months  
146.32 but not greater than 71 months.

147.1 (d) "Organization certificate" means a certificate issued to an entity other than a natural  
147.2 person for a period of three years.

147.3 (e) "Permit" refers to a permit that is issued for a period of 30 days, in lieu of the  
147.4 certificate referred to in subdivision 3, while the application is being processed.

147.5 (f) "Physically disabled person" means a person who:

147.6 (1) because of disability cannot walk without significant risk of falling;

147.7 (2) because of disability cannot walk 200 feet without stopping to rest;

147.8 (3) because of disability cannot walk without the aid of another person, a walker, a cane,  
147.9 crutches, braces, a prosthetic device, or a wheelchair;

147.10 (4) is restricted by a respiratory disease to such an extent that the person's forced  
147.11 (respiratory) expiratory volume for one second, when measured by spirometry, is less than  
147.12 one liter;

147.13 (5) has an arterial oxygen tension (PaO<sub>2</sub>) of less than 60 mm/Hg on room air at rest;

147.14 (6) uses portable oxygen;

147.15 (7) has a cardiac condition to the extent that the person's functional limitations are  
147.16 classified in severity as class III or class IV according to standards set by the American  
147.17 Heart Association;

147.18 (8) has lost an arm or a leg and does not have or cannot use an artificial limb; ~~or~~

147.19 (9) has a disability that would be aggravated by walking 200 feet under normal  
147.20 environmental conditions to an extent that would be life threatening; or

147.21 (10) is legally blind.

147.22 (g) "Short-term certificate" means a certificate issued for a period greater than six months  
147.23 but not greater than 12 months.

147.24 (h) "Six-year certificate" means a certificate issued for a period of six years.

147.25 (i) "Temporary certificate" means a certificate issued for a period not greater than six  
147.26 months.

147.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

148.1 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.475, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

148.2 Subd. 2. **Prohibition on use; penalty.** (a) Except as provided in subdivision 3, when a  
148.3 motor vehicle is in motion or a part of traffic, the person operating the vehicle upon a street  
148.4 or highway is prohibited from:

148.5 (1) holding a wireless communications device with one or both hands; or

148.6 (2) using a wireless communications device to:

148.7 ~~(1)~~ (i) initiate, compose, send, retrieve, or read an electronic message;

148.8 ~~(2)~~ (ii) engage in a cellular phone call, including initiating a call, talking or listening,  
148.9 and participating in video calling; and

148.10 ~~(3)~~ (iii) access the following types of content stored on the device: video content, audio  
148.11 content, images, games, or software applications.

148.12 (b) A person who violates paragraph (a) a second or subsequent time must pay a fine of  
148.13 \$275.

148.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023, and applies to violations  
148.15 committed on or after that date.

148.16 Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.475, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

148.17 Subd. 3. **Exceptions.** (a) The prohibitions in subdivision 2 do not apply if a person uses  
148.18 a wireless communications device:

148.19 (1) solely in a voice-activated or hands-free mode to (i) initiate or participate in a cellular  
148.20 phone call, provided that the person does not hold the device with one or both hands; or ~~to~~  
148.21 (ii) initiate, compose, send, or listen to an electronic message;

148.22 (2) to view or operate a global positioning system or navigation system in a manner that  
148.23 does not require the driver to type while the vehicle is in motion or a part of traffic, provided  
148.24 that the person does not hold the device with one or both hands;

148.25 (3) to listen to audio-based content in a manner that does not require the driver to scroll  
148.26 or type while the vehicle is in motion or a part of traffic, provided that the person does not  
148.27 hold the device with one or both hands;

148.28 (4) to obtain emergency assistance to (i) report a traffic accident, medical emergency,  
148.29 or serious traffic hazard, or (ii) prevent a crime about to be committed;

148.30 (5) in the reasonable belief that a person's life or safety is in immediate danger; or

149.1 (6) in an authorized emergency vehicle while in the performance of official duties.

149.2 (b) The exception in paragraph (a), clause (1), does not apply to accessing nonnavigation  
149.3 video content, engaging in video calling, engaging in live-streaming, accessing gaming  
149.4 data, or reading electronic messages.

149.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023, and applies to violations  
149.6 committed on or after that date.

149.7 Sec. 31. **[169.8296] WEIGHT LIMITS; TOWING AND RECOVERY VEHICLE.**

149.8 Subdivision 1. **Annual permit.** The commissioner may issue permits to an applicant  
149.9 who pays a single \$300 annual fee to cover all tow trucks and towing vehicles owned by  
149.10 the applicant and who meets any other conditions prescribed by the commissioner. The  
149.11 proceeds of this fee must be deposited in the trunk highway fund. The permit authorizes  
149.12 the tow truck or towing vehicle, when towing a disabled or damaged vehicle to a place of  
149.13 repair or safekeeping, to exceed the length and weight limitations of this chapter.

149.14 Subd. 2. **Applicability with urgent movement.** Sections 169.823 to 169.828 do not  
149.15 apply to a tow truck or towing vehicle when towing a disabled or damaged vehicle and the  
149.16 movement is urgent and for the purpose of removing the disabled vehicle from the roadway  
149.17 to a place of repair or safekeeping. A permit is not required for a vehicle operating under  
149.18 this subdivision.

149.19 Subd. 3. **Seasonal load restrictions; exemption.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision,  
149.20 "recovery vehicle" means a vehicle equipped with a boom that is used to move or recover  
149.21 an inoperable vehicle.

149.22 (b) The seasonal load restrictions under section 169.87, subdivisions 1 and 2, do not  
149.23 apply to a tow truck, towing vehicle, or a recovery vehicle that does not exceed a weight  
149.24 of 20,000 pounds per single axle and is being operated for the purpose of towing or  
149.25 recovering another vehicle that:

149.26 (1) is involved in a vehicle crash or is inoperable and is located within a public road  
149.27 right-of-way; or

149.28 (2) has entered a public body of water adjacent to the roadway.

149.29 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

150.1 Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.042, is amended to read:

150.2 **171.042 DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR MEDICAL REASON.**

150.3 (a) For purposes of this section, "relative" means the applicant's grandparent, parent,  
150.4 sibling, or legal guardian, including adoptive, half, step, and in-law relationships.

150.5 (b) Notwithstanding any provisions of section 171.04, relating to the age of an applicant,  
150.6 the commissioner may issue a driver's license to a person who has attained the age of 15  
150.7 years but is under the age of 16 years, who, except for age, is qualified to hold a driver's  
150.8 license and who needs to operate a motor vehicle because of:

150.9 (1) personal ~~or family~~ medical reasons;

150.10 (2) medical reasons of a relative; or

150.11 (3) a disabled relative who has a disability that makes it difficult to drive or who does  
150.12 not have a driver's license due to a disability.

150.13 (c) The applicant is not required to comply with the six-month instruction permit  
150.14 possession provisions of sections 171.04, subdivision 1, clause (2), and 171.05, subdivision  
150.15 2a, or with the 12-month provisional license possession provision of section 171.04,  
150.16 subdivision 1, clause (1), item (i).

150.17 (d) Applicants shall apply to the commissioner for the license on forms prescribed by  
150.18 the commissioner. The application ~~shall~~ must be accompanied by written verified statements  
150.19 by ~~from~~ the applicant's ~~parent or guardian and by~~ relative or a doctor setting forth the  
150.20 ~~necessity~~ reason the applicant is qualified for the license. The commissioner in issuing such  
150.21 license may impose such conditions and limitations as in the commissioner's judgment are  
150.22 necessary to the interests of the public safety and welfare.

150.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and applies to applications  
150.24 submitted on or after that date.

150.25 Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.05, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

150.26 Subd. 2. **Person less than 18 years of age.** (a) The department may issue an instruction  
150.27 permit to an applicant who is 15, 16, or 17 years of age and who:

150.28 (1) has completed a course of driver education in another state, has a previously issued  
150.29 valid license from another state, or:

150.30 (i) is enrolled in ~~either:~~ behind-the-wheel training in a driver education program; and

150.31 (ii) has completed:

151.1 ~~(i) a public, private, or commercial~~ (A) the classroom phase of instruction in a driver  
 151.2 education program that is approved by the commissioner of public safety and that includes  
 151.3 classroom and behind-the-wheel training; or

151.4 (B) 15 hours of classroom instruction in a driver education program that presents  
 151.5 classroom and behind-the-wheel instruction concurrently;

151.6 ~~(ii) an approved behind-the-wheel driver education program~~ (C) home-classroom driver  
 151.7 training, when the student is receiving full-time instruction in a home school within the  
 151.8 meaning of sections 120A.22 and 120A.24, the student is working toward a ~~homeschool~~  
 151.9 home school diploma, the student is taking home-classroom driver training with classroom  
 151.10 materials are approved by the commissioner of public safety, and the student's parent has  
 151.11 certified the student's ~~homeschool~~ home school and home-classroom driver training status  
 151.12 on the form approved by the commissioner;

151.13 (D) a teleconference driver education program authorized by section 171.395; or

151.14 (E) an online driver education program authorized by section 171.396;

151.15 ~~(2) has completed the classroom phase of instruction in the driver education program~~  
 151.16 ~~or has completed 15 hours of classroom instruction in a program that presents classroom~~  
 151.17 ~~and behind-the-wheel instruction concurrently;~~

151.18 ~~(3)~~ (2) has passed a test of the applicant's eyesight;

151.19 ~~(4)~~ (3) has passed a department-administered test of the applicant's knowledge of traffic  
 151.20 laws;

151.21 ~~(5)~~ (4) has completed the required application, which must be approved by (i) either  
 151.22 parent when both reside in the same household as the minor applicant or, if otherwise, then  
 151.23 (ii) the parent or spouse of the parent having custody or, in the event there is no court order  
 151.24 for custody, then (iii) the parent or spouse of the parent with whom the minor is living or,  
 151.25 if items (i) to (iii) do not apply, then (iv) the guardian having custody of the minor, (v) the  
 151.26 foster parent or the director of the transitional living program in which the child resides or,  
 151.27 in the event a person under the age of 18 has no living father, mother, or guardian, or is  
 151.28 married or otherwise legally emancipated, then (vi) the applicant's adult spouse, adult close  
 151.29 family member, or adult employer; provided, that the approval required by this clause  
 151.30 contains a verification of the age of the applicant and the identity of the parent, guardian,  
 151.31 adult spouse, adult close family member, or adult employer; and

151.32 ~~(6)~~ (5) has paid all fees required in section 171.06, subdivision 2.

152.1 (b) In addition, the applicant may submit a certification stating that a primary driving  
 152.2 supervisor has completed the supplemental parental curriculum under section 171.0701,  
 152.3 subdivision 1a, for the purposes of provisional license requirements under section 171.055,  
 152.4 subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (6). The certification must be completed by a driver  
 152.5 education instructor, as defined under section 171.0701, subdivision 1a.

152.6 (c) For the purposes of determining compliance with the certification of paragraph (a),  
 152.7 clause (1), item (ii), subitem (C), the commissioner may request verification of a student's  
 152.8 ~~homeschool~~ home school status from the superintendent of the school district in which the  
 152.9 student resides and the superintendent shall provide that verification.

152.10 (d) A driver education program under this subdivision includes a public, private, or  
 152.11 commercial program and must be approved by the commissioner.

152.12 ~~(d)~~ (e) The instruction permit is valid for two years from the date of application and may  
 152.13 be renewed upon payment of a fee equal to the fee for issuance of an instruction permit  
 152.14 under section 171.06, subdivision 2.

152.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

152.16 Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.06, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

152.17 Subd. 2. **Fees.** (a) The fees for a license and Minnesota identification card are as follows:

152.18 REAL ID Compliant or				
152.19 Noncompliant Classified	D- <del>\$21.00</del>	C- <del>\$25.00</del>	B- <del>\$32.00</del>	A- <del>\$40.00</del>
152.20 Driver's License	<u>\$27.00</u>	<u>\$31.00</u>	<u>\$38.00</u>	<u>\$46.00</u>
152.21 REAL ID Compliant or				
152.22 Noncompliant Classified	D- <del>\$21.00</del>	C- <del>\$25.00</del>	B- <del>\$32.00</del>	A- <del>\$20.00</del>
152.23 Under-21 D.L.	<u>\$27.00</u>	<u>\$31.00</u>	<u>\$38.00</u>	<u>\$26.00</u>
152.24 Enhanced Driver's License	D- <del>\$36.00</del>	C- <del>\$40.00</del>	B- <del>\$47.00</del>	A- <del>\$55.00</del>
152.25	<u>\$42.00</u>	<u>\$46.00</u>	<u>\$53.00</u>	<u>\$61.00</u>
152.26 REAL ID Compliant or				
152.27 Noncompliant Instruction				
152.28 Permit			<del>\$5.25</del>	<u>\$11.25</u>
152.29 Enhanced Instruction				<del>\$20.25</del>
152.30 Permit				<u>\$26.25</u>
152.31 Commercial Learner's				
152.32 Permit			<del>\$2.50</del>	<u>\$8.50</u>
152.33 REAL ID Compliant or				
152.34 Noncompliant Provisional				
152.35 License			<del>\$8.25</del>	<u>\$14.25</u>
152.36 Enhanced Provisional				<del>\$23.25</del>
152.37 License				<u>\$29.25</u>
152.38 Duplicate REAL ID				
152.39 Compliant or Noncompliant			<del>\$6.75</del>	<u>\$12.75</u>

- 153.1 License or duplicate REAL  
 153.2 ID Compliant or  
 153.3 Noncompliant  
 153.4 identification card
- 153.5 Enhanced Duplicate  
 153.6 License or enhanced \$21.75  
 153.7 duplicate identification card \$27.75
- 153.8 REAL ID Compliant or  
 153.9 Noncompliant Minnesota  
 153.10 identification card or REAL  
 153.11 ID Compliant or  
 153.12 Noncompliant Under-21  
 153.13 Minnesota identification  
 153.14 card, other than duplicate,  
 153.15 except as otherwise  
 153.16 provided in section 171.07, \$11.25  
 153.17 subdivisions 3 and 3a \$17.25
- 153.18 Enhanced Minnesota \$26.25  
 153.19 identification card \$32.25
- 153.20 ~~From August 1, 2019, to June 30, 2022,~~ The fee is increased by \$0.75 for REAL ID compliant  
 153.21 or noncompliant classified driver's licenses, REAL ID compliant or noncompliant classified  
 153.22 under-21 driver's licenses, and enhanced driver's licenses.
- 153.23 (b) In addition to each fee required in paragraph (a), the commissioner shall collect a  
 153.24 surcharge of \$2.25. Surcharges collected under this paragraph must be credited to the driver  
 153.25 and vehicle services technology account under section 299A.705.
- 153.26 (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), an individual who holds a provisional license and  
 153.27 has a driving record free of (1) convictions for a violation of section 169A.20, 169A.33,  
 153.28 169A.35, sections 169A.50 to 169A.53, or section 171.177, (2) convictions for crash-related  
 153.29 moving violations, and (3) convictions for moving violations that are not crash related, shall  
 153.30 have a \$3.50 credit toward the fee for any classified under-21 driver's license. "Moving  
 153.31 violation" has the meaning given it in section 171.04, subdivision 1.
- 153.32 (d) In addition to the driver's license fee required under paragraph (a), the commissioner  
 153.33 shall collect an additional \$4 processing fee from each new applicant or individual renewing  
 153.34 a license with a school bus endorsement to cover the costs for processing an applicant's  
 153.35 initial and biennial physical examination certificate. The department shall not charge these  
 153.36 applicants any other fee to receive or renew the endorsement.
- 153.37 (e) In addition to the fee required under paragraph (a), a driver's license agent may charge  
 153.38 and retain a filing fee as provided under section 171.061, subdivision 4.
- 153.39 (f) In addition to the fee required under paragraph (a), the commissioner shall charge a  
 153.40 filing fee at the same amount as a driver's license agent under section 171.061, subdivision

154.1 4. Revenue collected under this paragraph must be deposited in the driver services operating  
154.2 account under section 299A.705.

154.3 (g) An application for a Minnesota identification card, instruction permit, provisional  
154.4 license, or driver's license, including an application for renewal, must contain a provision  
154.5 that allows the applicant to add to the fee under paragraph (a), a \$2 donation for the purposes  
154.6 of public information and education on anatomical gifts under section 171.075.

154.7 Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.06, subdivision 3, as amended by Laws  
154.8 2023, chapter 13, article 1, section 3, is amended to read:

154.9 Subd. 3. **Contents of application; other information.** (a) An application must:

154.10 (1) state the full name, date of birth, sex, and either (i) the residence address of the  
154.11 applicant, or (ii) designated address under section 5B.05;

154.12 (2) as may be required by the commissioner, contain a description of the applicant and  
154.13 any other facts pertaining to the applicant, the applicant's driving privileges, and the  
154.14 applicant's ability to operate a motor vehicle with safety;

154.15 (3) state:

154.16 (i) the applicant's Social Security number; or

154.17 (ii) if the applicant does not have a Social Security number and is applying for a  
154.18 Minnesota identification card, instruction permit, or class D provisional or driver's license,  
154.19 that the applicant elects not to specify a Social Security number;

154.20 (4) contain a notification to the applicant of the availability of a living will/health care  
154.21 directive designation on the license under section 171.07, subdivision 7; and

154.22 (5) include a method for the applicant to:

154.23 (i) request a veteran designation on the license under section 171.07, subdivision 15,  
154.24 and the driving record under section 171.12, subdivision 5a;

154.25 (ii) indicate a desire to make an anatomical gift under subdivision 3b, paragraph (e);

154.26 (iii) as applicable, designate document retention as provided under section 171.12,  
154.27 subdivision 3c; ~~and~~

154.28 (iv) indicate emergency contacts as provided under section 171.12, subdivision 5b; and

154.29 (v) indicate the applicant's race and ethnicity.

154.30 (b) Applications must be accompanied by satisfactory evidence demonstrating:

- 155.1 (1) identity, date of birth, and any legal name change if applicable; and
- 155.2 (2) for driver's licenses and Minnesota identification cards that meet all requirements of
- 155.3 the REAL ID Act:
- 155.4 (i) principal residence address in Minnesota, including application for a change of address,
- 155.5 unless the applicant provides a designated address under section 5B.05;
- 155.6 (ii) Social Security number, or related documentation as applicable; and
- 155.7 (iii) lawful status, as defined in Code of Federal Regulations, title 6, section 37.3.
- 155.8 (c) An application for an enhanced driver's license or enhanced identification card must
- 155.9 be accompanied by:
- 155.10 (1) satisfactory evidence demonstrating the applicant's full legal name and United States
- 155.11 citizenship; and
- 155.12 (2) a photographic identity document.
- 155.13 (d) A valid Department of Corrections or Federal Bureau of Prisons identification card
- 155.14 containing the applicant's full name, date of birth, and photograph issued to the applicant
- 155.15 is an acceptable form of proof of identity in an application for an identification card,
- 155.16 instruction permit, or driver's license as a secondary document for purposes of Minnesota
- 155.17 Rules, part 7410.0400, and successor rules.
- 155.18 (e) An application form must not provide for identification of (1) the accompanying
- 155.19 documents used by an applicant to demonstrate identity, or (2) except as provided in
- 155.20 paragraphs (b) and (c), the applicant's citizenship, immigration status, or lawful presence
- 155.21 in the United States. The commissioner and a driver's license agent must not inquire about
- 155.22 an applicant's citizenship, immigration status, or lawful presence in the United States, except
- 155.23 as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c).
- 155.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for driver's license and identification
- 155.25 card applications submitted on or after January 1, 2024.
- 155.26 Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.07, subdivision 15, is amended to read:
- 155.27 Subd. 15. **Veteran designation.** (a) At the request of an eligible applicant and on payment
- 155.28 of the required fee, the department shall issue, renew, or reissue to the applicant a driver's
- 155.29 license or Minnesota identification card bearing a graphic or written designation of:
- 155.30 (1) Veteran; or
- 155.31 (2) Veteran 100% T&P.

156.1 (b) At the time of the initial application for the designation provided under this  
 156.2 subdivision, the applicant must:

156.3 (1) be one of the following:

156.4 (i) a veteran, as defined in section 197.447; or

156.5 (ii) a retired member of the National Guard or a reserve component of the United States  
 156.6 armed forces;

156.7 (2) ~~have provide~~ a certified copy of the ~~veteran's~~ applicant's discharge papers that confirms  
 156.8 an honorable or general discharge under honorable conditions status, or a military retiree  
 156.9 identification card, veteran identification card, or veteran health identification card; and

156.10 (3) if the applicant is seeking the disability designation under paragraph (a), clause (2),  
 156.11 provide satisfactory evidence of a 100 percent total and permanent service-connected  
 156.12 disability as determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

156.13 ~~(e) The commissioner of public safety is required to issue drivers' licenses and Minnesota~~  
 156.14 ~~identification cards with the veteran designation only after entering a new contract or in~~  
 156.15 ~~coordination with producing a new card design with modifications made as required by~~  
 156.16 ~~law.~~

156.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective August 1, 2023, and  
 156.18 applies to applications submitted on or after that date.

156.19 Sec. 37. **[171.301] REINTEGRATION LICENSE.**

156.20 **Subdivision 1. Conditions of issuance.** (a) The commissioner may issue a reintegration  
 156.21 driver's license to any person:

156.22 (1) who is 18 years of age or older;

156.23 (2) who has been released from a period of at least 180 consecutive days of confinement  
 156.24 or incarceration in:

156.25 (i) an adult correctional facility under the control of the commissioner of corrections or  
 156.26 licensed by the commissioner of corrections under section 241.021;

156.27 (ii) a federal correctional facility for adults; or

156.28 (iii) an adult correctional facility operated under the control or supervision of any other  
 156.29 state; and

157.1 (3) whose license has been suspended or revoked under the circumstances listed in  
157.2 section 171.30, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (4), for a violation that occurred  
157.3 before the individual was incarcerated for the period described in clause (2).

157.4 (b) If the person's driver's license or permit to drive has been revoked under section  
157.5 169.792 or 169.797, the commissioner may only issue a reintegration driver's license to the  
157.6 person after the person has presented an insurance identification card, policy, or written  
157.7 statement indicating that the driver or owner has insurance coverage satisfactory to the  
157.8 commissioner.

157.9 (c) If the person's driver's license or permit to drive has been suspended under section  
157.10 171.186, the commissioner may only issue a reintegration driver's license to the person after  
157.11 the commissioner receives notice of a court order provided pursuant to section 518A.65,  
157.12 paragraph (e), showing that the person's driver's license or operating privileges should no  
157.13 longer be suspended.

157.14 (d) If the person's driver's license has been revoked under section 171.17, subdivision  
157.15 1, paragraph (a), clause (1), the commissioner may only issue a reintegration driver's license  
157.16 to the person after the person has completed the applicable revocation period.

157.17 (e) The commissioner must not issue a reintegration driver's license:

157.18 (1) to any person described in section 171.04, subdivision 1, clause (7), (8), (10), or  
157.19 (11);

157.20 (2) to any person described in section 169A.55, subdivision 5;

157.21 (3) if the person has committed a violation after the person was released from custody  
157.22 that results in the suspension, revocation, or cancellation of a driver's license, including  
157.23 suspension for nonpayment of child support or maintenance payments as described in section  
157.24 171.186, subdivision 1; or

157.25 (4) if the issuance would conflict with the requirements of the nonresident violator  
157.26 compact.

157.27 (f) The commissioner must not issue a class A, class B, or class C reintegration driver's  
157.28 license.

157.29 Subd. 2. **Application.** (a) Application for a reintegration driver's license must be made  
157.30 in the form and manner approved by the commissioner.

157.31 (b) A person seeking a reintegration driver's license who was released from confinement  
157.32 or incarceration on or after April 1, 2024, must apply for the license within one year of

158.1 release. A person seeking a reintegration driver's license who was released from confinement  
158.2 or incarceration before April 1, 2024, must apply for the license by April 1, 2025.

158.3 Subd. 3. **Fees prohibited.** (a) For a reintegration driver's license under this section:

158.4 (1) the commissioner must not impose:

158.5 (i) a fee, surcharge, or filing fee under section 171.06, subdivision 2; or

158.6 (ii) an endorsement fee under section 171.06, subdivision 2a; and

158.7 (2) a driver's license agent must not impose a filing fee under section 171.061, subdivision

158.8 4.

158.9 (b) Issuance of a reintegration driver's license does not forgive or otherwise discharge

158.10 any unpaid fees or fines.

158.11 Subd. 4. **Cancellation of license.** (a) The commissioner must cancel the reintegration

158.12 driver's license of any person who commits a violation that would result in the suspension,

158.13 revocation, or cancellation of a driver's license, including suspension for nonpayment of

158.14 child support or maintenance payments as described in section 171.186, subdivision 1. The

158.15 commissioner must not cancel a reintegration driver's license for payment of a fine or

158.16 resolution of a criminal charge if the underlying incident occurred before the reintegration

158.17 driver's license was issued, unless the conviction would have made the person ineligible to

158.18 receive a reintegration driver's license. Except as described in paragraph (b), a person whose

158.19 reintegration driver's license is canceled under this subdivision may not be issued another

158.20 reintegration driver's license and may not operate a motor vehicle for the remainder of the

158.21 period of suspension or revocation or 30 days, whichever is longer.

158.22 (b) A person whose reintegration driver's license is canceled under paragraph (a) may

158.23 apply for a new reintegration driver's license if the person is incarcerated or confined for a

158.24 period of at least 180 consecutive days after the cancellation and the person meets the

158.25 conditions described in subdivision 1.

158.26 (c) Nothing in this section prohibits cancellation and reinstatement of a reintegration

158.27 driver's license for any other reason described in section 171.14 provided any factor making

158.28 the person not eligible for a driver's license under section 171.04 occurred or became known

158.29 to the commissioner after issuance of the reintegration driver's license.

158.30 Subd. 5. **Expiration.** A reintegration driver's license expires 15 months from the date

158.31 of issuance of the license. A reintegration driver's license may not be renewed.

159.1 Subd. 6. Issuance of regular driver's license. (a) Notwithstanding any statute or rule  
159.2 to the contrary, the commissioner must issue a REAL ID-compliant or noncompliant license  
159.3 to a person who possesses a reintegration driver's license if:

159.4 (1) the person has possessed the reintegration driver's license for at least one full year;

159.5 (2) the reintegration driver's license has not been canceled under subdivision 4 and has  
159.6 not expired under subdivision 5;

159.7 (3) the person meets the application requirements under section 171.06, including payment  
159.8 of the applicable fees, surcharge, and filing fee under sections 171.06, subdivisions 2 and  
159.9 2a, and 171.061, subdivision 4; and

159.10 (4) issuance of the license does not conflict with the requirements of the nonresident  
159.11 violator compact.

159.12 (b) The commissioner must forgive any outstanding balance due on a fee or surcharge  
159.13 under section 171.29, subdivision 2, for a person who is eligible and applies for a license  
159.14 under paragraph (a).

159.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective April 1, 2024.

159.16 Sec. 38. **[171.395] TELECONFERENCE DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM.**

159.17 Subdivision 1. Authorization. A licensed driver education program that provides both  
159.18 classroom and behind-the-wheel instruction may provide teleconference driver education  
159.19 as provided in this section. For purposes of this section, the driver education program must  
159.20 provide both classroom and behind-the-wheel instruction. If a program partners or contracts  
159.21 with a second program to provide any portion of classroom or behind-the-wheel instruction,  
159.22 the first program is not eligible to provide teleconference driver education instruction.

159.23 Subd. 2. Curriculum and instruction requirements. (a) A teleconference driver  
159.24 education program must:

159.25 (1) meet the requirements as provided in section 171.0701, subdivision 1, and Minnesota  
159.26 Rules, chapter 7411, or successor rules;

159.27 (2) use teleconferencing, or another similar method, that provides live synchronous  
159.28 distance learning and ensures that student questions and comments can be addressed in real  
159.29 time;

159.30 (3) ensure all locations are linked using both picture and sound;

160.1 (4) use classroom instruction curriculum that is identical to the curriculum used by the  
160.2 driver education program in an in-person setting;

160.3 (5) provide teleconference instruction to any student that is enrolled in the approved  
160.4 driver education program; and

160.5 (6) provide teleconference interactive supplemental parent curriculum consistent with  
160.6 section 171.0701, subdivision 1a.

160.7 (b) A student may receive teleconference instruction only if the driver education instructor  
160.8 confirms that picture and sound allow the student to interact with the instructor in real time.

160.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

160.10 **Sec. 39. [171.396] ONLINE DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM.**

160.11 (a) A licensed driver education program may provide online driver education as provided  
160.12 in this section. The online driver education program must satisfy the requirements for  
160.13 classroom driver education as provided in section 171.0701, subdivision 1, and Minnesota  
160.14 Rules, chapter 7411. In addition, an online driver education program must:

160.15 (1) include a means for the student to measure performance outcomes;

160.16 (2) use a pool of rotating quiz questions;

160.17 (3) incorporate accountability features to ensure the identity of the student while engaged  
160.18 in the course of online study;

160.19 (4) measure the amount of time that the student spends in the course;

160.20 (5) provide technical support to customers that is available 24 hours per day, seven days  
160.21 per week;

160.22 (6) require a licensed Minnesota driver education instructor to monitor each student's  
160.23 progress and be available to answer questions in a timely manner, provided that the instructor  
160.24 is not required to monitor progress or answer questions in real time;

160.25 (7) store course content and student data on a secure server that is protected against data  
160.26 breaches and is regularly backed up;

160.27 (8) incorporate preventive measures in place to protect against the access of private  
160.28 information;

160.29 (9) include the ability to update course content uniformly throughout the state; and

161.1 (10) provide online interactive supplemental parental curriculum consistent with section  
 161.2 171.0701, subdivision 1a.

161.3 (b) Except as required by this section, the commissioner is prohibited from imposing  
 161.4 requirements on online driver education programs that are not equally applicable to classroom  
 161.5 driver education programs.

161.6 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

161.7 Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 174.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 161.8 read:

161.9 Subd. 3. **Greenhouse gas emissions benchmarks.** (a) In association with the goals  
 161.10 under subdivision 2, clauses (10) and (13) to (16), the commissioner of transportation must  
 161.11 establish benchmarks for the statewide greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal under  
 161.12 section 216H.02, subdivision 1.

161.13 (b) The benchmarks must include:

161.14 (1) establishment of proportional emissions reduction performance targets for the  
 161.15 transportation sector;

161.16 (2) specification of the performance targets on a five-year or more frequent basis; and

161.17 (3) allocation across the transportation sector, which:

161.18 (i) must provide for an allocation to the metropolitan area, as defined in section 473.121,  
 161.19 subdivision 2;

161.20 (ii) must account for differences in the feasibility and extent of emissions reductions  
 161.21 across forms of land use and across regions of the state; and

161.22 (iii) may include performance targets based on Department of Transportation district,  
 161.23 geographic region, a per capita calculation, or transportation mode, or a combination.

161.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective February 1, 2025.

161.25 Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 174.03, subdivision 1c, is amended to read:

161.26 Subd. 1c. **Minnesota state highway investment plan.** Within one year of each revision  
 161.27 of the statewide multimodal transportation plan under subdivision 1a, the commissioner  
 161.28 must prepare a 20-year Minnesota state highway investment plan that:

161.29 (1) incorporates performance measures and targets for assessing progress and achievement  
 161.30 of the state's transportation goals, objectives, and policies identified in this chapter for the

162.1 state trunk highway system, and those goals, objectives, and policies established in the  
162.2 statewide multimodal transportation plan. Performance targets must be based on objectively  
162.3 verifiable measures, and address, at a minimum:

162.4 (i) preservation and maintenance of the structural condition of state highway roadways,  
162.5 bridges, pavements, roadside infrastructure, and traveler-related facilities;

162.6 (ii) safety; and

162.7 (iii) mobility;

162.8 (2) summarizes trends and impacts for each performance target over the past five years;

162.9 (3) summarizes the amount and analyzes the impact of the department's capital  
162.10 investments and priorities over the past five years on each performance target, including a  
162.11 comparison of prior plan projected costs with actual costs;

162.12 (4) identifies the investments required to meet the established performance targets over  
162.13 the next 20-year period;

162.14 (5) projects available state and federal funding over the 20-year period, including any  
162.15 unique, competitive, time-limited, or focused funding opportunities;

162.16 (6) identifies strategies to ensure the most efficient use of existing transportation  
162.17 infrastructure, and to maximize the performance benefits of projected available funding;

162.18 (7) establishes investment priorities for projected funding, which must:

162.19 (i) provide for cost-effective preservation, maintenance, and repair to address the goal  
162.20 under section 174.01, subdivision 2, clause (9), in a manner that aligns with other goals in  
162.21 that section;

162.22 (ii) as appropriate, provide a schedule of major projects or improvement programs for  
162.23 the 20-year period; and

162.24 (iii) identify resulting projected costs and impact on performance targets; ~~and~~

162.25 (8) identifies those performance targets identified under clause (1) not expected to meet  
162.26 the target outcome over the 20-year period together with alternative strategies that could  
162.27 be implemented to meet the targets; and

162.28 (9) establishes procedures and guidance for capacity expansion project development to  
162.29 conform with section 161.178, subdivision 2, paragraph (a).

162.30 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
162.31 applies to plan revisions adopted on or after that date.

163.1 Sec. 42. [174.46] DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES CARSHARING GRANT  
163.2 ACCOUNT; GRANTS.

163.3 (a) The disadvantaged communities carsharing grant account is established in the special  
163.4 revenue fund. The account consists of funds provided by law and any other money donated,  
163.5 allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account. Money in the account is annually  
163.6 appropriated to the commissioner to make grants as provided in paragraph (b).

163.7 (b) The commissioner must administer a program to provide grants to nonprofit  
163.8 organizations or carsharing operators to support the growth of carsharing in disadvantaged  
163.9 communities through programs, marketing, and community engagement. A grant recipient  
163.10 may use grant proceeds for capital and operational costs of a program. Eligible grant  
163.11 recipients must be based in Minnesota and be either a nonprofit organization or carsharing  
163.12 operator, with a preference given to nonprofit carsharing operators. Transportation  
163.13 management organizations are not eligible to receive grants under this section.

163.14 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2023.

163.15 Sec. 43. [174.47] ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM.

163.16 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have  
163.17 the meanings given.

163.18 (b) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of transportation.

163.19 (c) "Program" means the electric vehicle infrastructure program established in this  
163.20 section.

163.21 (d) "Project" includes but is not limited to planning, predesign, design, preliminary and  
163.22 final engineering, environmental analysis, property acquisition, construction, and  
163.23 maintenance.

163.24 Subd. 2. Electric vehicle infrastructure program. The commissioner must establish  
163.25 a statewide electric vehicle infrastructure program for the purpose of implementing the  
163.26 National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Formula Program and successor programs to  
163.27 maximize the use of federal funds available to the state.

163.28 Subd. 3. Authority to contract. The commissioner may enter into an agreement with  
163.29 any private or public entity to provide financial assistance for, or engage in the planning,  
163.30 designing, developing, hosting, constructing, equipping, operating, or maintaining of, electric  
163.31 vehicle infrastructure, including but not limited to environmental studies, preliminary  
163.32 engineering, final design, construction, and developing financial and operating plans.

164.1 Subd. 4. **Program requirements.** (a) The commissioner must require that electric vehicle  
164.2 infrastructure funded under the program is constructed, installed, and maintained in  
164.3 conformance with the requirements under Code of Federal Regulations, title 23, section  
164.4 680.106, paragraph (j), or successor requirements.

164.5 (b) An electric vehicle infrastructure project that receives funds under the program is  
164.6 subject to the requirement of paying the prevailing wage rate as defined in section 177.42,  
164.7 and the requirements and enforcement provisions in sections 177.27, 177.30, 177.32, 177.41  
164.8 to 177.435, and 177.45.

164.9 Subd. 5. **Report.** (a) Every even-numbered year by February 1, the commissioner must  
164.10 submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees  
164.11 with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance regarding the electric vehicle  
164.12 infrastructure program. At a minimum, the report must include:

164.13 (1) an itemization of federal funds spent for the program, including the purpose of the  
164.14 expenditure and the recipient of the expenditure;

164.15 (2) an itemization of state funds spent for the program, including the purpose of the  
164.16 expenditure and the recipient of the expenditure;

164.17 (3) the amount of money, from any source, that was used for department staff related to  
164.18 the program;

164.19 (4) any changes to the plan that were made since the previous report was submitted;

164.20 (5) the locations of electric vehicle infrastructure created with the program, including  
164.21 the type of infrastructure and whether the infrastructure is on public or private property;

164.22 (6) a description of how projects were selected; and

164.23 (7) a description of how the commissioner is ensuring electric vehicle infrastructure is  
164.24 regionally balanced.

164.25 (b) The commissioner is not required to submit a report pursuant to this subdivision if,  
164.26 since the previous report was submitted, no money has been spent pursuant to this section.

164.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

164.28 Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 219.015, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

164.29 **Subd. 2. Railroad company assessment; account; appropriation.** (a) As provided in  
164.30 this subdivision, the commissioner shall annually assess railroad companies that are (1)  
164.31 defined as common carriers under section 218.011; (2) classified by federal law or regulation

165.1 as Class I Railroads, Class I Rail Carriers, Class II Railroads, or Class II Rail Carriers; and  
165.2 (3) operating in this state.

165.3 (b) The assessment must be calculated to allocate state rail safety inspection program  
165.4 costs proportionally among carriers based on route miles operated in Minnesota at the time  
165.5 of assessment. The commissioner must include in the assessment calculation all state rail  
165.6 safety inspection program costs to support up to ~~four~~ six rail safety inspector positions,  
165.7 including but not limited to salary, administration, supervision, travel, equipment, training,  
165.8 and ongoing state rail inspector duties.

165.9 (c) The assessments collected under this subdivision must be deposited in a state rail  
165.10 safety inspection account, which is established in the special revenue fund. The account  
165.11 consists of funds provided by this subdivision and any other money donated, allotted,  
165.12 transferred, or otherwise provided to the account. Money in the account is appropriated to  
165.13 the commissioner to administer the state rail safety inspection program.

165.14 Sec. 45. **[219.055] INCIDENT EMERGENCY RESPONSE; PREPAREDNESS AND**  
165.15 **INFORMATION.**

165.16 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) The definitions in section 115E.01 apply to this section  
165.17 except as otherwise provided in this subdivision. For purposes of this section, the following  
165.18 terms have the meanings given.

165.19 (b) "Applicable emergency manager" means an emergency manager having jurisdiction  
165.20 along the routes over which oil or other hazardous substance cargo is transported by a rail  
165.21 carrier.

165.22 (c) "Applicable fire department officer" means a fire chief or other senior officer of a  
165.23 fire department having jurisdiction along the routes over which oil or other hazardous  
165.24 substance cargo is transported by a rail carrier.

165.25 (d) "Emergency manager" means the director of a local organization for emergency  
165.26 management under section 12.25.

165.27 (e) "Hazardous substance" means any material identified in the definition of hazardous  
165.28 substance under section 115B.02, subdivision 8, or Code of Federal Regulations, title 49,  
165.29 section 171.8.

165.30 (f) "Incident commander" means the official who has responsibility under National  
165.31 Incident Management System guidelines for all aspects of emergency response operations  
165.32 at an incident scene, including directing and controlling resources.

166.1 (g) "Rail carrier" means a railroad company that is:

166.2 (1) defined as a common carrier under section 218.011, subdivision 10;

166.3 (2) classified by federal law or regulation as a Class I Railroad, Class I Rail Carrier,

166.4 Class II Railroad, Class II Rail Carrier, Class III Railroad, or Class III Rail Carrier; and

166.5 (3) operating in this state.

166.6 Subd. 2. **Traffic review.** Within ten business days of receiving a written request, a rail

166.7 carrier must provide a traffic review to the commissioner of public safety, a requesting

166.8 emergency manager, or a fire chief having jurisdiction along the routes over which oil or

166.9 other hazardous substances are transported. The traffic review under this subdivision must

166.10 include information on the types and volumes of oil or other hazardous substances transported

166.11 through the requester's jurisdiction during the prior calendar year.

166.12 Subd. 3. **Emergency response planning; information sharing.** Upon written request,

166.13 a rail carrier must provide to the commissioner of public safety, an emergency manager, or

166.14 a fire chief having jurisdiction along the routes over which oil or other hazardous substances

166.15 are transported:

166.16 (1) a complete copy of prevention and response plans submitted under section 115E.042,

166.17 subdivision 6; and

166.18 (2) a copy of the data and information, including risk assessment information, used to

166.19 develop the rail carrier's route analysis as required under Code of Federal Regulations, title

166.20 49, section 172.820, or successor requirements.

166.21 Subd. 4. **Emergency response planning; coordination meetings.** (a) Within 30 days

166.22 of receiving a written request, a rail carrier must be available to meet with the commissioner

166.23 of public safety, a requesting emergency manager, or a fire chief having jurisdiction along

166.24 the routes over which oil or other hazardous substances are transported concerning emergency

166.25 response planning and coordination.

166.26 (b) At a meeting held under this subdivision, a rail carrier must provide:

166.27 (1) a review of the rail carrier's emergency response planning and capability, including

166.28 railroad response timelines and resources to provide:

166.29 (i) technical advice and recommendations;

166.30 (ii) trained response personnel;

166.31 (iii) specialized equipment; and

167.1 (iv) any other available resources to support an incident commander who conducts a  
167.2 public safety emergency response under the National Incident Management System; and

167.3 (2) inventory information on emergency responses involving oil or other hazardous  
167.4 substances, consisting of:

167.5 (i) equipment owned by the rail carrier, including equipment type and location;

167.6 (ii) the rail carrier's response personnel, including contact information and location; and

167.7 (iii) resources available to the rail carrier through contractual agreements.

167.8 **Subd. 5. Real-time emergency response information.** (a) The commissioner of public  
167.9 safety must, through the Minnesota Fusion Center, receive and disseminate emergency  
167.10 response information as provided under section 7302 of the FAST Act of 2015, Public Law  
167.11 114-94, and federal regulations adopted under that section.

167.12 (b) On and after July 1, 2024, all rail carriers subject to this section and section 115E.042  
167.13 must collectively provide information on the transportation of oil or other hazardous  
167.14 substances in a digital format through a wireless communication device application.

167.15 **Subd. 6. Public safety emergency response exercises.** (a) Each rail carrier must conduct  
167.16 one tabletop public safety emergency response exercise in each emergency management  
167.17 region where the rail carrier transports oil or other hazardous substances. The tabletop  
167.18 exercise must be conducted by July 1, 2025, and July 1 every two years thereafter.

167.19 (b) Each rail carrier must conduct one full-scale public safety emergency response  
167.20 exercise every four years.

167.21 (c) In an emergency management region where more than one rail carrier operates, the  
167.22 rail carriers may conduct the tabletop and full-scale exercises jointly or may alternate among  
167.23 rail carriers to conduct the exercises.

167.24 (d) The rail carriers must conduct the tabletop and full-scale exercises in full coordination  
167.25 with the commissioner of public safety, any interested emergency managers, and fire chiefs  
167.26 having jurisdiction within the applicable emergency management region along the routes  
167.27 over which oil or other hazardous substances are transported. Each tabletop and full-scale  
167.28 exercise conducted under this subdivision must be attended by safety representatives of  
167.29 railroad employees governed by the Railway Labor Act, United States Code, title 45, section  
167.30 151, et seq.

167.31 (e) To the extent feasible, the rail carriers must coordinate the tabletop and full-scale  
167.32 exercises among each other and with exercises under section 115E.042, subdivision 5.

168.1 Subd. 7. Incident commander response site exercises. (a) Each rail carrier must conduct  
168.2 one tabletop incident commander emergency exercise in each emergency management  
168.3 region where the rail carrier transports oil or other hazardous substances. The tabletop  
168.4 exercise must be conducted under the time limits provided in section 115E.042, subdivision  
168.5 4, and coordinate the railroad's response actions and recommendations to the incident  
168.6 commander regarding the response as provided in section 115E.042, subdivision 3.

168.7 (b) Each rail carrier must conduct one full-scale incident commander response site  
168.8 exercise every four years.

168.9 (c) In an emergency management region where more than one rail carrier operates, the  
168.10 rail carriers may conduct the incident commander response site tabletop and full-scale  
168.11 exercises jointly or may alternate among rail carriers to conduct the exercises.

168.12 (d) The rail carriers must conduct the incident commander response site tabletop and  
168.13 full-scale exercises with the commissioner of public safety, any interested emergency  
168.14 managers, any interested incident commanders, and fire chiefs having jurisdiction within  
168.15 the applicable emergency management region along the routes over which oil or other  
168.16 hazardous substances are transported. Each tabletop and full-scale exercise conducted under  
168.17 this subdivision must be attended by safety representatives of railroad employees governed  
168.18 by the Railway Labor Act, United States Code, title 45, section 151, et seq.

168.19 (e) A rail carrier must provide by telephone a qualified company representative with  
168.20 knowledge of the rail carrier's response resources during the exercises.

168.21 Subd. 8. Transportation and response planning data. (a) Any data provided under  
168.22 subdivisions 2 to 7 to an emergency manager, incident commander, emergency first  
168.23 responder, fire chief, or the commissioner of public safety are nonpublic data, as defined  
168.24 under section 13.02, subdivision 9.

168.25 (b) Any prevention and response plan data created under section 115E.042, subdivision  
168.26 6, that is in the possession of an emergency manager, incident commander, emergency first  
168.27 responder, or fire chief are nonpublic data, as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 9. This  
168.28 paragraph does not apply to data in the possession of the commissioner of the Pollution  
168.29 Control Agency.

168.30 Sec. 46. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 219.1651, is amended to read:

168.31 **219.1651 GRADE CROSSING SAFETY ACCOUNT.**

168.32 A Minnesota grade crossing safety account is created in the special revenue fund,  
168.33 consisting of money credited to the account by law. Money in the account is appropriated

169.1 to the commissioner of transportation for rail-highway grade crossing safety projects on  
 169.2 public streets and highways, including engineering costs and other costs associated with  
 169.3 administration and delivery of grade crossing safety projects. At the discretion of the  
 169.4 commissioner of transportation, money in the account at the end of each biennium may  
 169.5 cancel to the trunk highway fund.

169.6 Sec. 47. [219.752] MINIMUM CREW SIZE.

169.7 (a) For purposes of this section, "shared corridor" means a segment of railroad track in  
 169.8 which light rail transit operates within or adjacent to right-of-way used in freight rail  
 169.9 operation.

169.10 (b) A Class I Railroad, Class II Railroad, or a railroad while operating in a shared corridor  
 169.11 must not operate a train or light engine used in connection with the movement of freight  
 169.12 unless it has a crew of a minimum of two individuals. This section does not apply to hostler  
 169.13 services or utility employees.

169.14 (c) Any railroad that willfully violates this section must pay a fine of not less than \$250  
 169.15 or more than \$1,000 for a first offense, not less than \$1,000 or more than \$5,000 for a second  
 169.16 offense committed within three years of the first offense, and not less than \$5,000 nor more  
 169.17 than \$10,000 for a third or subsequent offense committed within three years of the first  
 169.18 offense.

169.19 (d) Fines prescribed in this section must be recovered in a civil action before a judge of  
 169.20 the county in which the violation occurs.

169.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective 30 days following final enactment.

169.22 Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 222.37, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

169.23 Subdivision 1. **Use requirements.** Any water power, telegraph, telephone, pneumatic  
 169.24 tube, pipeline, community antenna television, cable communications or electric light, heat,  
 169.25 power company, entity that receives a route permit under chapter 216E for a high-voltage  
 169.26 transmission line necessary to interconnect an electric power generating facility with  
 169.27 transmission lines or associated facilities of an entity that directly, or through its members  
 169.28 or agents, provides retail electric service in the state, or fire department may use public  
 169.29 roads for the purpose of constructing, using, operating, and maintaining lines, subways,  
 169.30 canals, conduits, transmission lines, hydrants, or dry hydrants, for their business, but such  
 169.31 lines shall be so located as in no way to interfere with the safety and convenience of ordinary  
 169.32 travel along or over the same; and, in the construction and maintenance of such line, subway,

170.1 canal, conduit, transmission lines, hydrants, or dry hydrants, the ~~company~~ entity shall be  
 170.2 subject to all reasonable regulations imposed by the governing body of any county, town  
 170.3 or city in which such public road may be. If the governing body does not require the ~~company~~  
 170.4 entity to obtain a permit, a ~~company~~ an entity shall notify the governing body of any county,  
 170.5 town, or city having jurisdiction over a public road prior to the construction or major repair,  
 170.6 involving extensive excavation on the road right-of-way, of the ~~company's~~ entity's equipment  
 170.7 along, over, or under the public road, unless the governing body waives the notice  
 170.8 requirement. A waiver of the notice requirement must be renewed on an annual basis. For  
 170.9 emergency repair a ~~company~~ an entity shall notify the governing body as soon as practical  
 170.10 after the repair is made. Nothing herein shall be construed to grant to any person any rights  
 170.11 for the maintenance of a telegraph, telephone, pneumatic tube, community antenna television  
 170.12 system, cable communications system, or light, heat, power system, electric power generating  
 170.13 system, high-voltage transmission line, or hydrant system within the corporate limits of any  
 170.14 city until such person shall have obtained the right to maintain such system within such city  
 170.15 or for a period beyond that for which the right to operate such system is granted by such  
 170.16 city.

170.17 Sec. 49. **[290.0687] ELECTRIC-ASSISTED BICYCLE CREDIT.**

170.18 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have  
 170.19 the meaning given.

170.20 (b) "Electric-assisted bicycle" has the meaning given in section 169.011, subdivision  
 170.21 27, except that the term is limited to a new electric-assisted bicycle purchased from an  
 170.22 electric-assisted-bicycle retailer.

170.23 (c) "Qualifying accessories" means a bicycle helmet, lights, lock, luggage rack, basket,  
 170.24 bag or backpack, fenders, or reflective clothing.

170.25 Subd. 2. Credit allowed. (a) An individual who is a resident of Minnesota is allowed a  
 170.26 credit against the tax imposed by this chapter equal to 75 percent of the amount paid for an  
 170.27 electric-assisted bicycle in the taxable year, including any qualifying accessories. The credit  
 170.28 is limited to \$1,500, except for a married taxpayer filing a joint return, the limit is \$1,500  
 170.29 per spouse.

170.30 (b) The credit percentage in paragraph (a) is reduced by one percentage point until the  
 170.31 credit percentage equals 50 percent, for each \$4,000 of adjusted gross income for the taxable  
 170.32 year ending in the calendar year prior to the calendar year in excess of:

170.33 (1) \$50,000 for a married taxpayer filing a joint return; and

171.1 (2) \$25,000 for all other filers.

171.2 A taxpayer may claim the credit under this section only once. For married taxpayers filing  
171.3 a joint return, each spouse may claim the credit once.

171.4 (c) For purposes of determining the credit under this section, the commissioner must  
171.5 use the taxpayer's adjusted gross income for the taxable year ending in the calendar year  
171.6 prior to the calendar year in which the taxpayer applies for the credit under subdivision 3,  
171.7 paragraph (a).

171.8 Subd. 3. **Application; administration of credit; transferability.** (a) To claim the credit  
171.9 under this section, a taxpayer must submit to the commissioner an application for the credit  
171.10 in the form prescribed by the commissioner.

171.11 (b) Upon approving an application for a credit, the commissioner must issue a credit  
171.12 certificate to an eligible taxpayer stating the credit percentage, the taxable year for which  
171.13 the credit is allocated, and maximum credit for which the taxpayer is eligible. For a married  
171.14 taxpayer filing a joint return, each spouse may apply to the commissioner separately, and  
171.15 the commissioner must issue each spouse a separate credit certificate.

171.16 (c) The commissioner must allocate credits on a first-come, first-served basis, except  
171.17 that the commissioner must reserve 40 percent of the credits for a married taxpayer filing  
171.18 a joint return with an adjusted gross income of less than \$78,000 or any other filer with an  
171.19 adjusted gross income of less than \$41,000. Any portion of a taxable year's allocation under  
171.20 this paragraph that is not allocated by September 30 of the taxable year is available for  
171.21 allocation to other credit applications beginning on October 1.

171.22 (d) The commissioner must not allocate an amount of credits totaling more than  
171.23 \$2,000,000 each year. If the entire annual amount is not allocated in the taxable year  
171.24 beginning after December 31, 2023, and before January 1, 2025, any remaining amount is  
171.25 available for the taxable year beginning after December 31, 2024, and before January 1,  
171.26 2026. The commissioner must not award any credits for taxable years beginning after  
171.27 December 31, 2025.

171.28 Subd. 4. **Credit refundable; appropriation.** If the amount of credit which the taxpayer  
171.29 is eligible to receive under this section exceeds the taxpayer's tax liability under this chapter,  
171.30 the commissioner must refund the excess to the taxpayer. An amount sufficient to pay the  
171.31 refunds allowed under this section is appropriated to the commissioner from the general  
171.32 fund.

172.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for taxable years beginning after December  
172.2 31, 2023, and before January 1, 2026.

172.3 Sec. 50. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297A.64, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

172.4 Subdivision 1. **Tax imposed.** (a) A tax is imposed on the lease or rental in this state for  
172.5 not more than 28 days of a passenger automobile as defined in section 168.002, subdivision  
172.6 24, a van as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 40, or a pickup truck as defined in  
172.7 section 168.002, subdivision 26. The rate of tax is 9.2 percent of the sales price. The tax  
172.8 applies whether or not the vehicle is licensed in the state.

172.9 (b) The provisions of paragraph (a) do not apply to the vehicles of a nonprofit corporation  
172.10 or similar entity consisting of individual or group members who pay the organization for  
172.11 the use of a motor vehicle if the organization:

172.12 (1) owns, leases, or operates a fleet of vehicles of the type subject to the tax under this  
172.13 subdivision that are available to its members for use, priced on the basis of intervals of one  
172.14 hour or less;

172.15 (2) parks its vehicles in the public right-of-way or at unstaffed, self-service locations  
172.16 that are accessible at any time of the day; and

172.17 (3) maintains its vehicles, insures its vehicles on behalf of its members, and purchases  
172.18 fuel for its fleet.

172.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for sales and purchases made after June  
172.20 30, 2023.

172.21 Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297A.64, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

172.22 Subd. 2. **Fee imposed.** (a) A fee equal to five percent of the sales price is imposed on  
172.23 leases or rentals of vehicles subject to the tax under subdivision 1. The lessor on the invoice  
172.24 to the customer may designate the fee as "a fee imposed by the State of Minnesota for the  
172.25 registration of rental cars."

172.26 (b) The provisions of this subdivision do not apply to the vehicles of a nonprofit  
172.27 corporation or similar entity, consisting of individual or group members who pay the  
172.28 organization for the use of a motor vehicle, if the organization:

172.29 (1) owns or leases a fleet of vehicles of the type subject to the tax under subdivision 1  
172.30 that are available to its members for use, priced on the basis of intervals of one hour or less;

173.1 (2) parks its vehicles in the public right-of-way or at unstaffed, self-service locations  
 173.2 that are accessible at any time of the day; and

173.3 (3) maintains its vehicles, insures its vehicles on behalf of its members, and purchases  
 173.4 fuel for its fleet; and.

173.5 ~~(4) does not charge usage rates that decline on a per unit basis, whether specified based~~  
 173.6 ~~on distance or time.~~

173.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for sales and purchases made after June  
 173.8 30, 2023.

173.9 Sec. 52. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 299A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision  
 173.10 to read:

173.11 **Subd. 8. Traffic safety report.** Annually by January 2, the commissioner of public  
 173.12 safety must submit a traffic safety report to the governor and the chairs and ranking minority  
 173.13 members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over traffic safety and enforcement.  
 173.14 In preparing the report, the commissioner must seek advice and comments from the Advisory  
 173.15 Council on Traffic Safety under section 4.076. The report must analyze the safety of  
 173.16 Minnesota's roads and transportation system, including but not limited to:

173.17 (1) injuries and fatalities that occur on or near a roadway or other transportation system  
 173.18 facility;

173.19 (2) factors that caused crashes resulting in injuries and fatalities;

173.20 (3) roadway and system improvements broadly and at specific locations that could reduce  
 173.21 injuries and fatalities;

173.22 (4) enforcement and education efforts that could reduce injuries and fatalities;

173.23 (5) other safety improvements or programs to improve the quality of the roadway and  
 173.24 transportation use experience; and

173.25 (6) existing resources and resource gaps for roadway and transportation system safety  
 173.26 improvements.

173.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

174.1 Sec. 53. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 299A.55, is amended to read:

174.2 **299A.55 RAILROAD AND PIPELINE SAFETY; OIL AND OTHER HAZARDOUS**  
 174.3 **MATERIALS SUBSTANCES.**

174.4 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have  
 174.5 the meanings given them.

174.6 (b) "Applicable rail carrier" means a railroad company that is subject to an assessment  
 174.7 under section 219.015, subdivision 2.

174.8 (c) "Emergency manager" has the meaning given in section 219.055, subdivision 1.

174.9 (d) "Hazardous substance" ~~has the meaning given in section 115B.02, subdivision 8~~  
 174.10 means any material identified in the definition of hazardous substance under section 115B.02,  
 174.11 subdivision 8, or Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, section 171.8.

174.12 ~~(d)~~ (e) "Incident compelling a significant response" means an event involving rail carrier  
 174.13 or pipeline company operations and a derailment, collision, discharge, or other similar  
 174.14 activity resulting in applicable response actions performed by firefighters, peace officers,  
 174.15 incident commanders, emergency managers, or emergency first responders. For purposes  
 174.16 of this paragraph, "applicable response actions" consist of one or more of the following: a  
 174.17 request for mutual aid or special response resources, establishment of an exclusion zone,  
 174.18 an order for evacuation or shelter in place, or emergency notification to the general public.

174.19 (f) "Oil" has the meaning given in section 115E.01, subdivision 8.

174.20 ~~(e)~~ (g) "Pipeline company" means any individual, partnership, association, or public or  
 174.21 private corporation who owns and operates pipeline facilities and is required to show specific  
 174.22 preparedness under section 115E.03, subdivision 2.

174.23 Subd. 2. **Railroad and pipeline safety account.** (a) A railroad and pipeline safety  
 174.24 account is created in the special revenue fund. The account consists of funds collected under  
 174.25 subdivision 4 and funds donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account.

174.26 (b) ~~\$104,000~~ \$140,000 is annually appropriated from the railroad and pipeline safety  
 174.27 account to the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency for environmental protection  
 174.28 activities related to railroad discharge preparedness under chapter 115E.

174.29 (c) ~~\$600,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$600,000 in fiscal year 2019 are appropriated~~  
 174.30 \$750,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$1,500,000 in each subsequent fiscal year are transferred  
 174.31 from the railroad and pipeline safety account to the commissioner of transportation for

175.1 ~~improving safety at railroad grade crossings~~ grade crossing safety account under section  
 175.2 219.1651.

175.3 (d) Following the appropriation in ~~paragraphs~~ paragraph (b) and the transfer in paragraph  
 175.4 (c), the remaining money in the account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of  
 175.5 public safety for the purposes specified in subdivision 3.

175.6 Subd. 3. **Allocation of funds.** (a) Subject to funding appropriated for this subdivision,  
 175.7 the commissioner shall provide funds for training and response preparedness related to (1)  
 175.8 derailments, discharge incidents, or spills involving trains carrying oil or other hazardous  
 175.9 substances, and (2) pipeline discharge incidents or spills involving oil or other hazardous  
 175.10 substances.

175.11 (b) The commissioner shall allocate available funds as follows:

175.12 (1) \$100,000 annually for emergency response teams; and

175.13 (2) the remaining amount to the Board of Firefighter Training and Education under  
 175.14 section 299N.02 and the ~~Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management~~ State  
 175.15 Fire Marshal Division.

175.16 (c) Prior to making allocations under paragraph (b), the commissioner shall consult with  
 175.17 the Fire Service Advisory Committee under section 299F.012, subdivision 2.

175.18 (d) The commissioner and the entities identified in paragraph (b), clause (2), shall  
 175.19 prioritize uses of funds based on:

175.20 (1) ~~firefighter~~ training needs for firefighters, emergency managers, incident commanders,  
 175.21 and emergency first responders;

175.22 (2) community risk from discharge incidents or spills;

175.23 (3) geographic balance;

175.24 (4) risks to the general public; and

175.25 (5) recommendations of the Fire Service Advisory Committee.

175.26 (e) The following are permissible uses of funds provided under this subdivision:

175.27 (1) training costs, which may include, but are not limited to, training curriculum, trainers,  
 175.28 trainee overtime salary, other personnel overtime salary, and tuition;

175.29 (2) costs of gear and equipment related to hazardous materials readiness, response, and  
 175.30 management, which may include, but are not limited to, original purchase, maintenance,  
 175.31 and replacement;

- 176.1 (3) supplies related to the uses under clauses (1) and (2); ~~and~~
- 176.2 (4) emergency preparedness planning and coordination;
- 176.3 (5) emergency response team costs;
- 176.4 (6) public safety emergency response exercises under section 219.055, subdivision 6;
- 176.5 (7) incident commander and response site response exercises under section 219.055,
- 176.6 subdivision 7;
- 176.7 (8) postincident review and analysis under subdivision 5, based on costs incurred to state
- 176.8 agencies and local units of government; and
- 176.9 (9) public education and outreach, including but not limited to:
- 176.10 (i) informing and engaging the public regarding hazards of derailments and discharge
- 176.11 incidents;
- 176.12 (ii) assisting the development of evacuation readiness;
- 176.13 (iii) undertaking public information campaigns; and
- 176.14 (iv) providing accurate information to the media on likelihood and consequences of
- 176.15 derailments and discharge incidents.
- 176.16 (f) Notwithstanding paragraph (b), clause (2), from funds in the railroad and pipeline
- 176.17 safety account provided for the purposes under this subdivision, the commissioner may
- 176.18 retain a balance in the account for budgeting in subsequent fiscal years.
- 176.19 Subd. 4. **Assessments.** (a) The commissioner of public safety shall annually assess
- 176.20 ~~\$2,500,000~~ \$4,000,000 to railroad and pipeline companies based on the formula specified
- 176.21 in paragraph (b). The commissioner shall deposit funds collected under this subdivision in
- 176.22 the railroad and pipeline safety account under subdivision 2.
- 176.23 (b) The assessment for each railroad is ~~50~~ 70 percent of the total annual assessment
- 176.24 amount, divided in equal proportion between applicable rail carriers based on route miles
- 176.25 operated in Minnesota. The assessment for each pipeline company is ~~50~~ 30 percent of the
- 176.26 total annual assessment amount, divided in equal proportion between companies based on
- 176.27 the yearly aggregate gallons of oil and other hazardous ~~substane~~ substances transported
- 176.28 by pipeline in Minnesota.
- 176.29 (c) ~~The assessments under this subdivision expire July 1, 2017~~ In addition to the amount
- 176.30 identified in paragraph (a), the commissioner must assess the rail carrier or pipeline company
- 176.31 involved in an incident compelling a significant response for all postincident review and

177.1 analysis costs under subdivision 5 incurred by the state and local units of government. This  
 177.2 paragraph applies regardless of whether an assessment is imposed under paragraph (a) in a  
 177.3 fiscal year.

177.4 Subd. 5. **Postincident review and analysis; legislative report; data.** (a) After an  
 177.5 incident compelling a significant response, or upon request of a fire chief or emergency  
 177.6 manager after an incident, the commissioner must ensure a postincident review and analysis  
 177.7 is performed in a timely manner. The review and analysis must be undertaken under an  
 177.8 agreement with an entity having relevant knowledge and experience that is fully independent  
 177.9 of the state, any local units of government involved in the incident, rail carriers, and pipeline  
 177.10 companies.

177.11 (b) The review and analysis process must include an after action review and must  
 177.12 evaluate, at a minimum, processes occurring during the incident for emergency assessment,  
 177.13 hazard operations, population protection, and incident management. The review and analysis  
 177.14 must be designed to minimize duplication of topics and issues addressed in any federal  
 177.15 review of the incident.

177.16 (c) By March 1 following any calendar year in which one or more postincident reviews  
 177.17 and analyses are performed, the commissioner must submit a report to the chairs and ranking  
 177.18 minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation and  
 177.19 public safety policy and finance. The report must:

- 177.20 (1) provide a summary of the incidents;  
 177.21 (2) identify findings, lessons learned, and process changes; and  
 177.22 (3) make recommendations for legislative changes, if any.

177.23 (d) Except for the report under paragraph (c), any data under this subdivision are  
 177.24 nonpublic data, as defined under section 13.02, subdivision 9.

177.25 Sec. 54. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 360.915, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

177.26 Subd. 6. **Administration.** ~~(a)~~ The commissioner must maintain records on stand-alone  
 177.27 meteorological towers under this section and must provide information on stand-alone  
 177.28 meteorological tower locations on the department's website.

177.29 ~~(b) The commissioner must deposit revenue received under this section in the state~~  
 177.30 ~~airports fund.~~

178.1 Sec. 55. Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 6, article 3, section 103, is amended to  
178.2 read:

178.3 **Sec. 103. ADDITIONAL DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR**  
178.4 **HENNEPIN COUNTY.**

178.5 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 168.33, and rules adopted by the  
178.6 commissioner of public safety, limiting sites for the office of deputy registrar based on  
178.7 either the distance to an existing deputy registrar office or the annual volume of transactions  
178.8 processed by any deputy registrar within Hennepin County before or after the proposed  
178.9 appointment, the commissioner of public safety shall appoint a new deputy registrar of  
178.10 motor vehicles and driver's license agent for Hennepin County to operate a new full-service  
178.11 office of deputy registrar, with full authority to function as a registration and motor vehicle  
178.12 tax collection and driver's license bureau, at the Midtown Exchange Building and the North  
178.13 Minneapolis Service Center at 1001 Plymouth Avenue North in the city of Minneapolis.  
178.14 The addition of a deputy registrar shall make the North Minneapolis Service Center a  
178.15 full-service office of deputy registrar with full authority to function as a registration and  
178.16 motor vehicle tax collection and driver's license bureau. All other provisions regarding the  
178.17 appointment and operation of a deputy registrar of motor vehicles and driver's license agent  
178.18 under Minnesota Statutes, sections 168.33 and 171.061, and Minnesota Rules, chapter 7406,  
178.19 apply to the office.

178.20 **Sec. 56. CLEAN TRANSPORTATION STANDARD AND SUSTAINABLE**  
178.21 **AVIATION FUEL WORKING GROUP; REPORT REQUIRED.**

178.22 Subdivision 1. Creation. By August 1, 2023, the commissioners of the Pollution Control  
178.23 Agency, transportation, commerce, and agriculture must convene a Clean Transportation  
178.24 Standard and Sustainable Aviation Fuel Working Group to study and address information  
178.25 gaps and opportunities related to a clean transportation standard that requires the aggregate  
178.26 carbon intensity of transportation fuel supplied to Minnesota be reduced to at least 25 percent  
178.27 below the 2018 baseline level by the end of 2030, by 75 percent by the end of 2040, and by  
178.28 100 percent by the end of 2050. The task force must also study how to incentivize the  
178.29 production and use of sustainable aviation fuel and consult with aviation industry  
178.30 representatives to determine the production levels needed to deliver net-zero emissions in  
178.31 aviation by 2050.

178.32 Subd. 2. Membership. Appointments to the working group are made pursuant to  
178.33 Minnesota Statutes, section 15.0597. Appointments to the working group must attempt to

179.1 achieve equitable representation from agricultural interests, renewable fuel producers,  
179.2 transportation fuel producers, technology providers, Tribal communities, environmental  
179.3 science organizations, environmental justice organizations, automotive manufacturers,  
179.4 forestry interests, electric utilities, electric vehicle charging infrastructure companies, aviation  
179.5 interests, and water quality interests.

179.6 Subd. 3. **Administration.** Appointments and designations to the working group authorized  
179.7 by this section must be completed by July 1, 2023. Public members serve without  
179.8 compensation or payment of expenses. The members of the working group must select a  
179.9 chair from its membership who must not be a commissioner or their designee.

179.10 Subd. 4. **Report.** By February 1, 2024, the working group must submit its findings and  
179.11 recommendations to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees  
179.12 with jurisdiction over transportation and energy policy.

179.13 Subd. 5. **Expiration.** The working group expires on January 1, 2025, or upon submission  
179.14 of the report required under subdivision 4, whichever is earlier.

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

179.16 Sec. 57. **ELECTRIC VEHICLE TAX AND REGISTRATION STUDY REQUIRED.**

179.17 By January 1, 2024, the commissioners of transportation and management and budget  
179.18 must submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees  
179.19 with jurisdiction over transportation and finance policy regarding the equalization of  
179.20 registration fees imposed on electric vehicles with the gasoline tax revenue generated by  
179.21 gasoline-powered vehicles. The study must, at a minimum, evaluate proposals and  
179.22 recommend legislation to determine the amount of revenue needed from registration fees  
179.23 of electric vehicles, plug-in hybrid electric vehicles, and vehicles with efficient gasoline  
179.24 consumption characteristics to equalize the revenue lost from the gasoline tax.

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

179.26 Sec. 58. **FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION GRANTS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**

179.27 Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "commissioner" means the  
179.28 commissioner of transportation.

179.29 Subd. 2. **Technical assistance grants.** (a) Subject to an appropriation, the commissioner  
179.30 must establish a process to provide grants for technical assistance to a requesting local unit  
179.31 of government or Tribal government that seeks to submit an application for a federal  
179.32 discretionary grant for a transportation-related purpose.

180.1 (b) A transportation-related purpose includes but is not limited to a project, a program,  
180.2 planning, program delivery, administrative costs, ongoing operations, and other related  
180.3 expenditures. Technical assistance includes but is not limited to hiring consultants for  
180.4 identification of available grants, grant writing, analysis, data collection, technical review,  
180.5 legal interpretations necessary to complete an application, planning, pre-engineering,  
180.6 application finalization, and similar activities.

180.7 Subd. 3. **Evaluation criteria.** (a) The commissioner must establish a process for  
180.8 solicitation, submission of requests for technical assistance, screening requests, and award  
180.9 of technical assistance grants.

180.10 (b) The process must include criteria for projects or purposes that:

180.11 (1) address or mitigate the impacts of climate change, including through:

180.12 (i) reduction in transportation-related pollution or emissions; and

180.13 (ii) improvements to the resiliency of infrastructure that is subject to long-term risks  
180.14 from natural disasters, weather events, or changing climate conditions;

180.15 (2) are located in areas of persistent poverty or historically disadvantaged communities  
180.16 disrupted, displaced, or otherwise harmed by the past infrastructure decisions as measured  
180.17 and defined in federal law, guidance, and notices of funding opportunity;

180.18 (3) improve safety for motorized and nonmotorized users;

180.19 (4) are located in townships or in cities that are eligible for small cities assistance aid  
180.20 under Minnesota Statutes, section 162.145;

180.21 (5) support grants to Tribal governments; and

180.22 (6) provide for geographic balance of grants throughout the state.

180.23 Subd. 4. **Limitations.** (a) A technical assistance grant may not exceed \$30,000.

180.24 (b) The commissioner may not award more than one grant to each unit of government  
180.25 in a calendar year. The commissioner may award multiple grants to a Tribal government in  
180.26 a calendar year.

180.27 (c) Not less than 15 percent of the available funding must be reserved for Tribal  
180.28 governments. Not less than 15 percent of the available funding must be reserved for  
180.29 townships and for cities that are eligible for small cities assistance aid under Minnesota  
180.30 Statutes, section 162.145. Unused reserved funds at the end of a fiscal year may be used  
180.31 for grants to any eligible recipient in the following fiscal year.

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

181.2 Sec. 59. **LEGISLATIVE REPORT; SPEED SAFETY CAMERAS.**

181.3 (a) By January 3, 2024, the commissioner of public safety must submit a report to the  
 181.4 chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over  
 181.5 transportation policy and finance that identifies a process and associated policies for issuance  
 181.6 of a mailed citation to the owner or lessee of a motor vehicle that a speed safety camera  
 181.7 system detects is operated in violation of a speed limit.

181.8 (b) The commissioner must convene a task force to assist in the development of the  
 181.9 report. The task force must include the Advisory Council on Traffic Safety under Minnesota  
 181.10 Statutes, section 4.076, a representative from the Minnesota County Attorneys Association,  
 181.11 a person with expertise in data privacy, and may include other members as the commissioner  
 181.12 determines are necessary to develop the report.

181.13 (c) At a minimum, the report must include consideration and analysis of:

181.14 (1) methods to identify the owner, operator, and any lessee of the motor vehicle;

181.15 (2) compliance with federal enforcement requirements related to holders of a commercial  
 181.16 driver's license;

181.17 (3) authority of individuals who are not peace officers to issue citations;

181.18 (4) data practices, including but not limited to concerns related to data privacy;

181.19 (5) due process, an appeals process, and the judicial system;

181.20 (6) technology options, constraints, and factors;

181.21 (7) other legal issues; and

181.22 (8) recommendations regarding implementation, including but not limited to any  
 181.23 legislative proposal and information on implementation costs.

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

181.25 Sec. 60. **MIDTOWN GREENWAY BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN TRAIL**  
 181.26 **EXPANSION PLANNING.**

181.27 (a) The Metropolitan Council must plan continuous and dedicated bicycle and pedestrian  
 181.28 trails from the current eastern terminus of the Midtown Greenway in Hennepin County to  
 181.29 27th Avenue Southeast in Hennepin County and to Allianz Field in Ramsey County. The  
 181.30 Metropolitan Council may use available funding to support project management and

182.1 implementation, data collection, legal analysis, community engagement, and use of  
182.2 consultants.

182.3 (b) When planning the trail expansions, the Metropolitan Council must coordinate with  
182.4 the Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority, the Ramsey County Regional Railroad  
182.5 Authority, other local governments, and affected property owners.

182.6 (c) The bicycle and pedestrian trails to be planned must include the following segments:

182.7 (1) Segment 1 from the eastern terminus of the Midtown Greenway extending eastward  
182.8 over the Short Line Bridge on the railroad right-of-way to Cleveland Avenue North in the  
182.9 city of St. Paul. Segment 1 must include a connection to the existing bicycle facility on  
182.10 Pelham Boulevard via a new trail on St. Anthony Avenue;

182.11 (2) Segment 2 from the eastern end of the Short Line Bridge extending over marked  
182.12 Interstate Highway 94 to the existing bicycle facility on 27th Avenue Southeast in the city  
182.13 of Minneapolis. Segment 2 must include connections to Franklin Avenue Southeast, Cecil  
182.14 Street Southeast, Seymour Avenue Southeast, and the existing pedestrian bridge at Seymour  
182.15 Avenue Southeast over marked Interstate Highway 94;

182.16 (3) Segment 3 from Cleveland Avenue North extending eastward on Gilbert Avenue to  
182.17 Prior Avenue North and on Prior Avenue North northward to the intersection of Prior Avenue  
182.18 North and St. Anthony Avenue;

182.19 (4) Segment 4 from Prior Avenue North extending eastward on St. Anthony Avenue to  
182.20 the existing bicycle and pedestrian bridge at Aldine Street over marked Interstate Highway  
182.21 94; and

182.22 (5) Segment 5 from the intersection of Aldine Street and St. Anthony Avenue to Allianz  
182.23 Field on a route to be determined that does not include railroad right-of-way.

182.24 (d) At a minimum, the developed plans must include:

182.25 (1) a project layout that provides a safe and consistent two-way, curb-separated trail  
182.26 protected from motor vehicle traffic wherever possible;

182.27 (2) features of the existing Midtown Greenway that provide safety and wayfinding,  
182.28 including but not limited to lighting, signage, and emergency call boxes;

182.29 (3) an analysis of which portions of the planned trails can be completed independently  
182.30 of other portions. In completing this analysis, the Metropolitan Council may subdivide the  
182.31 segments listed in paragraph (c) as needed;

183.1 (4) an analysis of what portions of the planned trails can be completed either without  
183.2 using railroad right-of-way or on railroad right-of-way without significantly affecting current  
183.3 rail operations;

183.4 (5) a recommendation for a reasonable easement or shared use agreement for the Short  
183.5 Line Bridge between the railroad and Hennepin County that maintains active rail tracks on  
183.6 the upstream side of the bridge while accommodating a bicycle and pedestrian trail on the  
183.7 downstream side of the bridge; and

183.8 (6) estimates for construction costs broken out by segments and features.

183.9 (e) The council must allocate revenues collected under Minnesota Statutes, section  
183.10 297A.9925, for the purpose of the planning activities in paragraphs (a) to (d).

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

183.12 Sec. 61. **RETROACTIVE DRIVER'S LICENSE REINSTATEMENT.**

183.13 (a) The commissioner of public safety must make an individual's driver's license eligible  
183.14 for reinstatement if the license is solely suspended pursuant to:

183.15 (1) Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 169.92, subdivision 4, if the person did not appear  
183.16 in court (i) in compliance with the terms of a citation for a petty misdemeanor, or (ii) for a  
183.17 violation of Minnesota Statutes, section 171.24, subdivision 1;

183.18 (2) Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.16, subdivision 2, if the person was convicted  
183.19 only under Minnesota Statutes, section 171.24, subdivision 1 or 2;

183.20 (3) Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.16, subdivision 3; or

183.21 (4) any combination of clauses (1), (2), and (3).

183.22 (b) By December 1, 2023, the commissioner must provide written notice to an individual  
183.23 whose license has been made eligible for reinstatement under paragraph (a), addressed to  
183.24 the licensee at the licensee's last known address.

183.25 (c) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, before the license is reinstated, an individual  
183.26 whose driver's license is eligible for reinstatement under paragraph (a) must pay a single  
183.27 reinstatement fee of \$20.

183.28 (d) The following applies for an individual who is eligible for reinstatement under  
183.29 paragraph (a) and whose license was suspended, revoked, or canceled under any other  
183.30 provision in Minnesota Statutes:

184.1 (1) the suspension, revocation, or cancellation under any other provision in Minnesota  
184.2 Statutes remains in effect;

184.3 (2) subject to clause (1), the individual may become eligible for reinstatement under  
184.4 paragraph (a); and

184.5 (3) the commissioner is not required to send the notice described in paragraph (b).

184.6 (e) Paragraph (a) applies notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes 2020, sections 169.92,  
184.7 subdivision 4; and 171.16, subdivision 2 or 3; or any other law to the contrary.

184.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

184.9 **Sec. 62. TRAFFIC SAFETY VIOLATIONS DISPOSITION ANALYSIS.**

184.10 (a) The commissioner of public safety must enter into an agreement with the Center for  
184.11 Transportation Studies at the University of Minnesota to conduct an evaluation of the  
184.12 disposition in recent years of citations for speeding, impairment, distraction, and seatbelt  
184.13 violations. The evaluation under the agreement must include but is not limited to analysis  
184.14 of:

184.15 (1) rates of citations issued compared to rates of citations contested in court and the  
184.16 outcomes of the cases;

184.17 (2) amounts of fines imposed compared to counts and amounts of fine payments; and

184.18 (3) any related changes in patterns of traffic enforcement from 2017 to 2022.

184.19 (b) The agreement must require the Center for Transportation Studies to submit an  
184.20 interim progress report by July 1, 2024, and a final report by July 1, 2025, to the  
184.21 commissioner and the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees  
184.22 with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance and public safety.

184.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

184.24 **Sec. 63. VEHICLE REGISTRATION RATES STUDY REQUIRED.**

184.25 By January 1, 2024, the commissioners of management and budget and public safety,  
184.26 in consultation with the State Patrol, must report to the chairs and ranking minority members  
184.27 of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation finance and policy. The  
184.28 report must examine current and historical vehicle registration rates and provide a projection  
184.29 about anticipated vehicle registration revenues for the next ten years. The report must analyze  
184.30 the factors behind declining vehicle registration and vehicle registration renewal rates,

185.1 including (1) where Minnesota's vehicle registration fees rank amongst other states and (2)  
185.2 enforcement of Minnesota Statutes, section 168.36, by local law enforcement.

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

185.4 Sec. 64. **REVISOR INSTRUCTION.**

185.5 The revisor of statutes shall recodify Minnesota Statutes, section 115E.042, subdivision  
185.6 2, as Minnesota Statutes, section 219.055, subdivision 2a, and Minnesota Statutes, section  
185.7 115E.042, subdivision 3, as Minnesota Statutes, section 219.055, subdivision 3a. The revisor  
185.8 shall correct any cross-references made necessary by this recodification.

185.9 Sec. 65. **REPEALER.**

185.10 (a) Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 167.45; and 360.915, subdivision 5, are repealed.

185.11 (b) Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 168B.15; and 169.829, subdivision 2, are repealed.

185.12 (c) Minnesota Rules, parts 7411.0530; and 7411.0535, are repealed.

185.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Paragraph (b) is effective August 1, 2023. Paragraph (c) is effective  
185.14 July 1, 2023.

**167.45 OPERATION COSTS FOR CENTRAL OFFICE BUILDING, PAYMENT.**

The cost of operation and maintenance of the central office building for the Department of Transportation, or so much thereof as is properly attributable to the Department of Transportation, must not be paid out of the trunk highway fund. An amount sufficient to pay these costs is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner for this purpose.

**168.121 SPECIAL PLATES REMEMBERING VICTIMS OF IMPAIRED DRIVERS.**

Subd. 5. **Fees credited.** Fees collected under this section must be credited to the vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund.

**168.1282 "START SEEING MOTORCYCLES" SPECIAL PLATES.**

Subd. 5. **Fees.** Fees collected under subdivision 1, clause (2), and subdivision 3 are credited to the vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund.

**168.1294 LAW ENFORCEMENT MEMORIAL PLATES.**

Subd. 5. **Fees.** Fees collected under subdivision 1, clauses (2) and (3), and subdivision 3 are credited to the vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund.

**168.1299 MINNESOTA GOLF PLATES.**

Subd. 4. **Fees.** Fees collected under subdivision 1, clause (2), and subdivision 3 are credited to the vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund.

**168B.15 TOW TRUCK PERMIT.**

The commissioner of transportation may issue permits to an applicant who pays a single \$300 annual fee to cover all tow trucks and towing vehicles owned by the applicant and meets any other conditions prescribed by the commissioner. The permit authorizes the tow truck or towing vehicle, when towing a disabled or damaged vehicle to a place of repair or to a place of safekeeping, to exceed the length and weight limitations of chapter 169.

**169.829 WEIGHT LIMITS NOT APPLICABLE TO CERTAIN VEHICLES.**

Subd. 2. **Tow truck.** Sections 169.823 to 169.828 do not apply to a tow truck or towing vehicle when towing a disabled or damaged vehicle, when the movement is urgent, and when the movement is for the purpose of removing the disabled vehicle from the roadway to a place of safekeeping or to a place of repair.

**299A.705 DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES ACCOUNTS.**

Subd. 2. **Driver services operating account.** (a) The driver services operating account is created in the special revenue fund, consisting of all money collected under chapter 171 and any other money donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account.

(b) Funds appropriated from the account must be used by the commissioner of public safety to administer the driver services specified in chapters 169A and 171, including the activities associated with producing and mailing drivers' licenses and identification cards and notices relating to issuance, renewal, or withdrawal of driving and identification card privileges for any fiscal year or years and for the testing and examination of drivers.

**360.915 METEOROLOGICAL TOWERS.**

Subd. 5. **Fee.** The owner of a stand-alone meteorological tower who provides notice under subdivision 4, paragraph (a), must pay a fee of \$50. A fee is not imposed for a notification provided under subdivision 4, paragraphs (b) and (c).

**7411.0530 TELECONFERENCED CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION.**

Teleconferenced classroom instruction for class A, B, C, or D motor vehicles or for a motorcycle endorsement may be used to link multiple classroom locations.

A. The broadcasting location must have a licensed or approved instructor present during classroom instruction.

B. Each location where students receive instruction must be in a classroom that complies with part 7411.0355.

C. If the receiving location has one or more students under the age of 18 receiving program instruction, the location must have a proctor, who is at least 21 years old, within the classroom for control and assistance.

D. Locations must be linked using both picture and sound so that instruction and the ability to interact with students is assured.

E. Identical curriculum materials must be available at all locations.

**7411.0535 ONLINE CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION; ADULT ONLY.**

Classroom instruction via the Internet may be provided by a program to any student who is at least 18 years old.

A. The course of study must provide a means for the student to measure performance outcomes.

B. There must be a pool of rotating quiz questions.

C. The course must have accountability features to ensure the age and identity of the student taking the course.

D. Technical designs must have features that measure the amount of time a student spends on each section of the course.

E. Customer support access must be made available through a toll-free telephone number.

F. The course must have a secure server and be backed up by a second unit.

G. The program must have preventives in place to protect against the access of private information.

H. The course must have the ability to update course content uniformly throughout the state.

I. The course must have a location in Minnesota where program and student records are accessible.