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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 1865

02/28/2019 Authored by Wolgamott The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Transportation Finance and Policy Division

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to transportation; requiring Department of Transportation to promote use
1.3 of electric vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, sections 174.01,
1.4 subdivision 2; 174.03, subdivision 7.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 174.01, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 2. Transportation goals. The goals of the state transportation system are as
1.8 follows:

1.9 (1) to minimize fatalities and injuries for transportation users throughout the state;

1.10 (2) to provide multimodal and intermodal transportation facilities and services to increase
1.11 access for all persons and businesses and to ensure economic well-being and quality of life
1.12 without undue burden placed on any community;

1.13 (3) to provide a reasonable travel time for commuters;

1.14 (4) to enhance economic development and provide for the economical, efficient, and
1.15 safe movement of goods to and from markets by rail, highway, and waterway;

1.16 (5) to encourage tourism by providing appropriate transportation to Minnesota facilities
1.17 designed to attract tourists and to enhance the appeal, through transportation investments,
1.18 of tourist destinations across the state;

1.19 (6) to provide transit services to all counties in the state to meet the needs of transit users;

1.20 (7) to promote accountability through systematic management of system performance
1.21 and productivity through the utilization of technological advancements;

- 2.1 (8) to maximize the long-term benefits received for each state transportation investment;
- 2.2 (9) to provide for and prioritize funding of transportation investments that ensures that
2.3 the state's transportation infrastructure is maintained in a state of good repair;
- 2.4 (10) to ensure that the planning and implementation of all modes of transportation are
2.5 consistent with the environmental and energy goals of the state;
- 2.6 (11) to promote and increase the use of high-occupancy vehicles ~~and~~ low-emission
2.7 vehicles, and electric vehicles;
- 2.8 (12) to provide an air transportation system sufficient to encourage economic growth
2.9 and allow all regions of the state the ability to participate in the global economy;
- 2.10 (13) to increase use of transit as a percentage of all trips statewide by giving highest
2.11 priority to the transportation modes with the greatest people-moving capacity and lowest
2.12 long-term economic and environmental cost;
- 2.13 (14) to promote and increase bicycling and walking as a percentage of all trips as
2.14 energy-efficient, nonpolluting, and healthy forms of transportation;
- 2.15 (15) to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the state's transportation sector; and
- 2.16 (16) to accomplish these goals with minimal impact on the environment and human
2.17 health.

2.18 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 174.03, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

2.19 Subd. 7. **Energy conservation.** The commissioner, in cooperation with the commissioner
2.20 of commerce through the state energy office, shall evaluate all modes of transportation in
2.21 terms of their levels of energy consumption. The commissioner of commerce shall provide
2.22 the commissioner with projections of the future availability of energy resources for
2.23 transportation. The commissioner shall use the results of this evaluation and the projections
2.24 to evaluate alternative programs and facilities to be included in the statewide plan and to
2.25 ~~otherwise~~ promote the ~~more~~ efficient use of low- and zero-emission energy resources for
2.26 transportation purposes.