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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-THIRD SESSION

H. F. No. 4317

02/26/2024 Authored by Altendorf and Jacob The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to transportation; modifying driving rules for implements of husbandry;
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.801, subdivision 7.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.801, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 7. Driving rules. (a) An implement of husbandry may not be operated or towed
1.7 on an interstate highway.

1.8 (b) An implement of husbandry may be operated or towed to the left of the center of a
1.9 roadway only if:

1.10 (1) it is for the purpose of avoiding an obstacle on the right side of the road, and:

1.11 (i) the implement of husbandry crosses the center line for a brief period of time;

1.12 (ii) the implement of husbandry returns back to the right half of the roadway as soon as
1.13 practicable and when safe to do so;

1.14 (iii) no other vehicles are in the immediate vicinity coming from the opposite direction;
1.15 and

1.16 (iv) the operation does not extend into the left half of the roadway more than necessary;
1.17 or

1.18 (2) it is escorted at the front by a vehicle displaying hazard warning lights visible in
1.19 normal sunlight and the operation does not extend into the left half of the roadway more
1.20 than is necessary.

- 2.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to violations
- 2.2 committed on or after that date.