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H. F. No. 3622

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Crime Prevention Policy and Finance
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Read Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; amending test refusal provision for driving while
1.3 impaired license revocation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section
1.4 169A.52, subdivisions 1, 2.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 169A.52, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.7 Subdivision 1. Test refusal. If a person refuses to permit a test, then a test must not
1.8 be given, but the peace officer shall report the refusal to the commissioner and the authority
1.9 having responsibility for prosecution of impaired driving offenses for the jurisdiction in
1.10 which the acts occurred. However, if a peace officer has probable cause to believe that
1.11 the person has violated section 609.2112, 609.2113, 609.2114, or Minnesota Statutes
1.12 2012, section 609.21 (criminal vehicular homicide or injury), a test may be required and
1.13 obtained despite the person's refusal. A refusal to submit to an alcohol concentration test
1.14 does not constitute a violation of section 609.50 (obstructing legal process), unless the
1.15 refusal was accompanied by force or violence or the threat of force or violence.

1.16 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 169A.52, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.17 Subd. 2. Reporting test failure. (a) If a person submits to a test, When a test is
1.18 obtained, whether pursuant to the implied consent process under section 169A.51 or
1.19 pursuant to a search warrant, the results of that test must be reported to the commissioner
1.20 and to the authority having responsibility for prosecution of impaired driving offenses for
1.21 the jurisdiction in which the acts occurred, if the test results indicate:

1.22 (1) an alcohol concentration of 0.08 or more;

2.1 (2) an alcohol concentration of 0.04 or more, if the person was driving, operating, or
2.2 in physical control of a commercial motor vehicle at the time of the violation; or

2.3 (3) the presence of a controlled substance listed in Schedule I or II or its metabolite,
2.4 other than marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols.

2.5 (b) ~~If a person submits to a test~~ When a test is obtained, and the test results indicate
2.6 the presence of a hazardous substance, the results of that test must be reported to the
2.7 authority having responsibility for prosecution of impaired driving offenses for the
2.8 jurisdiction in which the acts occurred.