

A bill for an act

relating to transportation; amending trunk highway project bidding procedures; requiring use of alternative bidding for competing paving materials; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 161.32, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 161.32, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 8. **Alternative bidding; paving materials.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision, "applicable project" means a trunk highway project that is categorized in the statewide transportation improvement program as for construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, or reconditioning.

(b) On all contracts for an applicable project, the commissioner shall use alternative bidding in which bidders may select between alternative project designs that use competing paving materials.

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