

A bill for an act

relating to government finance; appropriating money for transportation, Metropolitan Council, and public safety activities and programs; providing for fund transfers, tort claims, and contingent appropriations; modifying policy relating to transportation, transit, and public safety; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 161.20, subdivision 3; 161.53; 168A.29, subdivision 1; 171.05, subdivision 2; 171.061, subdivision 4; 174.40, by adding a subdivision; 299A.73, subdivision 3; 299E.01, subdivision 3; 398A.04, by adding a subdivision; 398A.10, by adding a subdivision; 473.39, by adding a subdivision; Laws 2009, chapter 9, section 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 174.285, subdivision 8.

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

**ARTICLE 1**

**TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY APPROPRIATIONS**

Section 1. **SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

The amounts shown in this section summarize direct appropriations, by fund, made in this article.

	<b><u>2014</u></b>		<b><u>2015</u></b>		<b><u>Total</u></b>
<u>General</u>	\$ 171,020,000	\$	171,149,000	\$	342,169,000
<u>Airports</u>	18,959,000		18,959,000		37,918,000
<u>C.S.A.H.</u>	594,883,000		607,505,000		1,202,388,000
<u>M.S.A.S.</u>	152,219,000		155,060,000		307,279,000
<u>Special Revenue</u>	60,937,000		61,233,000		122,170,000
<u>H.U.T.D.</u>	10,406,000		10,406,000		20,812,000
<u>State Government Special Revenue</u>	59,841,000		64,742,000		124,583,000
<u>Environmental</u>	69,000		69,000		138,000

2.1	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>1,588,887,000</u>	<u>1,621,491,000</u>	<u>3,210,378,000</u>
2.2	<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 2,657,221,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 2,710,614,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 5,367,835,000</u></b>

2.3 **Sec. 2. TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS.**

2.4 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to  
 2.5 the agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from  
 2.6 the trunk highway fund, or another named fund, and are available for the fiscal years  
 2.7 indicated for each purpose. The figures "2014" and "2015" used in this article mean that  
 2.8 the appropriations listed under them are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014,  
 2.9 or June 30, 2015, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2014. "The second year" is  
 2.10 fiscal year 2015. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2014 and 2015.

2.11		<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS</u></b>	
2.12		<b><u>Available for the Year</u></b>	
2.13		<b><u>Ending June 30</u></b>	
2.14		<b><u>2014</u></b>	<b><u>2015</u></b>

2.15 **Sec. 3. DEPARTMENT OF**  
 2.16 **TRANSPORTATION**

2.17	<u>Subdivision 1. <b>Total Appropriation</b></u>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>2,282,625,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>2,330,711,000</u></b>
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2.18	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>				
2.19		<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>		
2.20	<u>General</u>	<u>17,186,000</u>	<u>17,205,000</u>		
2.21	<u>Airports</u>	<u>18,959,000</u>	<u>18,959,000</u>		
2.22	<u>C.S.A.H.</u>	<u>594,883,000</u>	<u>607,505,000</u>		
2.23	<u>M.S.A.S</u>	<u>152,219,000</u>	<u>155,060,000</u>		
2.24	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>1,499,378,000</u>	<u>1,531,982,000</u>		

2.25 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 2.26 purpose are specified in the following  
 2.27 subdivisions.

2.28 **Subd. 2. Multimodal Systems**

2.29 **(a) Aeronautics**

2.30	<b><u>(1) Airport Development and Assistance</u></b>		<b><u>13,648,000</u></b>	<b><u>13,648,000</u></b>
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2.31 This appropriation is from the state  
 2.32 airports fund and must be spent according  
 2.33 to Minnesota Statutes, section 360.305,  
 2.34 subdivision 4.

3.1 The base appropriation for fiscal years 2016  
 3.2 and 2017 is \$14,298,000 for each year.

3.3 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section  
 3.4 16A.28, subdivision 6, this appropriation is  
 3.5 available for five years after appropriation.

3.6 If the appropriation for either year is  
 3.7 insufficient, the appropriation for the other  
 3.8 year is available for it.

3.9 **(2) Aviation Support and Services** 6,386,000 6,386,000

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
3.10			
3.11	<u>Airports</u>	<u>5,286,000</u>	<u>5,286,000</u>
3.12	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>1,100,000</u>	<u>1,100,000</u>

3.13 \$65,000 in each year is from the state airports  
 3.14 fund for the Civil Air Patrol.

3.15 **(b) Transit** 17,148,000 17,167,000

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
3.16			
3.17	<u>General</u>	<u>16,373,000</u>	<u>16,392,000</u>
3.18	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>775,000</u>	<u>775,000</u>

3.19 \$100,000 in each year is from the general  
 3.20 fund for the administrative expenses of the  
 3.21 Minnesota Council on Transportation Access  
 3.22 under Minnesota Statutes, section 174.285.

3.23 **(c) Passenger Rail** 500,000 500,000

3.24 This appropriation is from the general  
 3.25 fund for passenger rail system planning,  
 3.26 alternatives analysis, environmental analysis,  
 3.27 design, and preliminary engineering under  
 3.28 Minnesota Statutes, sections 174.632 to  
 3.29 174.636.

3.30 **(d) Freight** 5,153,000 5,153,000

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
3.31			
3.32	<u>General</u>	<u>256,000</u>	<u>256,000</u>
3.33	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>4,897,000</u>	<u>4,897,000</u>

3.34 **Subd. 3. State Roads**

4.1	<b><u>(a) Operations and Maintenance</u></b>	<u>257,395,000</u>	<u>257,395,000</u>
4.2	<b><u>(b) Program Planning and Delivery</u></b>	<u>206,470,000</u>	<u>206,470,000</u>
4.3	<u>\$130,000 in each year is available for</u>		
4.4	<u>administrative costs of the targeted group</u>		
4.5	<u>business program.</u>		
4.6	<u>\$266,000 in each year is available for grants</u>		
4.7	<u>to metropolitan planning organizations</u>		
4.8	<u>outside the seven-county metropolitan area.</u>		
4.9	<u>\$75,000 in each year is available for a</u>		
4.10	<u>transportation research contingent account</u>		
4.11	<u>to finance research projects that are</u>		
4.12	<u>reimbursable from the federal government or</u>		
4.13	<u>from other sources. If the appropriation for</u>		
4.14	<u>either year is insufficient, the appropriation</u>		
4.15	<u>for the other year is available for it.</u>		
4.16	<u>\$600,000 in each year is available for</u>		
4.17	<u>grants for transportation studies outside</u>		
4.18	<u>the metropolitan area to identify critical</u>		
4.19	<u>concerns, problems, and issues. These</u>		
4.20	<u>grants are available: (1) to regional</u>		
4.21	<u>development commissions; (2) in regions</u>		
4.22	<u>where no regional development commission</u>		
4.23	<u>is functioning, to joint powers boards</u>		
4.24	<u>established under agreement of two or</u>		
4.25	<u>more political subdivisions in the region to</u>		
4.26	<u>exercise the planning functions of a regional</u>		
4.27	<u>development commission; and (3) in regions</u>		
4.28	<u>where no regional development commission</u>		
4.29	<u>or joint powers board is functioning, to the</u>		
4.30	<u>department's district office for that region.</u>		
4.31	<b><u>(c) State Road Construction Total</u></b>	<u>805,400,000</u>	<u>806,600,000</u>
4.32	<b><u>(1) Economic Recovery Funds - Federal</u></b>		
4.33	<b><u>Highway Aid</u></b>	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>

5.1 This appropriation is to complete projects  
 5.2 using funds made available to the  
 5.3 commissioner of transportation under  
 5.4 title XII of the American Recovery and  
 5.5 Reinvestment Act of 2009, Public Law  
 5.6 111-5, and implemented under Minnesota  
 5.7 Statutes, section 161.36, subdivision 7. The  
 5.8 base appropriation is \$1,000,000 in fiscal  
 5.9 year 2016 and \$0 in fiscal year 2017.

5.10 **(2) State Road Construction** 804,400,000 805,600,000

5.11 It is estimated that these appropriations will  
 5.12 be funded as follows:

<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
5.14 <u>Federal Highway</u>		
5.15 <u>Aid</u>	<u>489,200,000</u>	<u>482,200,000</u>
5.16 <u>Highway User Taxes</u>	<u>315,200,000</u>	<u>323,400,000</u>

5.17 The commissioner of transportation shall  
 5.18 notify the chairs and ranking minority  
 5.19 members of the legislative committees with  
 5.20 jurisdiction over transportation finance of  
 5.21 any significant events that should cause these  
 5.22 estimates to change.

5.23 This appropriation is for the actual  
 5.24 construction, reconstruction, and  
 5.25 improvement of trunk highways, including  
 5.26 design-build contracts and consultant usage  
 5.27 to support these activities. This includes the  
 5.28 cost of actual payment to landowners for  
 5.29 lands acquired for highway rights-of-way,  
 5.30 payment to lessees, interest subsidies, and  
 5.31 relocation expenses.

5.32 The base appropriation for state road  
 5.33 construction for fiscal years 2016 and 2017  
 5.34 is \$635,000,000 in each year.

6.1 The commissioner may expend up to one-half  
 6.2 of one percent of the federal appropriations  
 6.3 under this paragraph as grants to opportunity  
 6.4 industrialization centers and other nonprofit  
 6.5 job training centers for job training programs  
 6.6 related to highway construction.

6.7 The commissioner may transfer up to  
 6.8 \$15,000,000 each year to the transportation  
 6.9 revolving loan fund.

6.10 The commissioner may receive money  
 6.11 covering other shares of the cost of  
 6.12 partnership projects. These receipts are  
 6.13 appropriated to the commissioner for these  
 6.14 projects.

6.15 **(d) Highway Debt Service** 158,417,000 189,821,000

6.16 \$148,917,000 the first year and \$180,321,000  
 6.17 the second year are for transfer to the state  
 6.18 bond fund. If an appropriation is insufficient  
 6.19 to make all transfers required in the year  
 6.20 for which it is made, the commissioner of  
 6.21 management and budget shall notify the  
 6.22 Committee on Finance of the senate and  
 6.23 the Committee on Ways and Means of the  
 6.24 house of representatives of the amount of the  
 6.25 deficiency and shall then transfer that amount  
 6.26 under the statutory open appropriation. Any  
 6.27 excess appropriation cancels to the trunk  
 6.28 highway fund.

6.29 **(e) Electronic Communications** 5,171,000 5,171,000

6.30	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
6.31	<u>General</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>
6.32	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>5,168,000</u>	<u>5,168,000</u>

6.33 The general fund appropriation is to equip  
 6.34 and operate the Roosevelt signal tower for  
 6.35 Lake of the Woods weather broadcasting.

7.1 Subd. 4. Local Roads

7.2	<u>(a) County State Aids</u>	<u>594,883,000</u>	<u>607,505,000</u>
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7.3 This appropriation is from the county  
 7.4 state-aid highway fund under Minnesota  
 7.5 Statutes, sections 161.082 to 161.085, and  
 7.6 Minnesota Statutes, chapter 162. This  
 7.7 appropriation is available until spent.

7.8 If the commissioner of transportation  
 7.9 determines that a balance remains in the  
 7.10 county state-aid highway fund following  
 7.11 the appropriations and transfers made in  
 7.12 this subdivision, and that the appropriations  
 7.13 made are insufficient for advancing county  
 7.14 state-aid highway projects, an amount  
 7.15 necessary to advance the projects, not to  
 7.16 exceed the balance in the county state-aid  
 7.17 highway fund, is appropriated in each year  
 7.18 to the commissioner. Within two weeks  
 7.19 of a determination under this contingent  
 7.20 appropriation, the commissioner of  
 7.21 transportation shall notify the commissioner  
 7.22 of management and budget and the chairs  
 7.23 and ranking minority members of the  
 7.24 legislative committees with jurisdiction over  
 7.25 transportation finance concerning funds  
 7.26 appropriated.

7.27	<u>(b) Municipal State Aids</u>	<u>152,219,000</u>	<u>155,060,000</u>
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7.28 This appropriation is from the municipal  
 7.29 state-aid street fund for municipal state-aid  
 7.30 streets under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 162.

7.31 This appropriation is available until spent.

7.32 If the commissioner of transportation  
 7.33 determines that a balance remains in the  
 7.34 municipal state-aid street fund following

8.1 the appropriations made in this subdivision,  
 8.2 and that the appropriations made are  
 8.3 insufficient for advancing municipal state-aid  
 8.4 street projects, an amount necessary to  
 8.5 advance the projects, not to exceed the  
 8.6 balance in the municipal state-aid street  
 8.7 fund, is appropriated in each year to  
 8.8 the commissioner. Within two weeks  
 8.9 of a determination under this contingent  
 8.10 appropriation, the commissioner of  
 8.11 transportation shall notify the commissioner  
 8.12 of management and budget and the chairs  
 8.13 and ranking minority members of the  
 8.14 legislative committees with jurisdiction over  
 8.15 transportation finance concerning funds  
 8.16 appropriated.

8.17 **Subd. 5. Agency Management**

8.18	<b><u>(a) Agency Services</u></b>	<u>41,997,000</u>	<u>41,997,000</u>
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8.19	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
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8.20	<u>Airports</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
8.21	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>41,972,000</u>	<u>41,972,000</u>

8.22	<b><u>(b) Buildings</u></b>	<u>17,838,000</u>	<u>17,838,000</u>
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8.23	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
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8.24	<u>General</u>	<u>54,000</u>	<u>54,000</u>
8.25	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>17,784,000</u>	<u>17,784,000</u>

8.26 If the appropriation for either year is  
 8.27 insufficient, the appropriation for the other  
 8.28 year is available for it.

8.29 **Subd. 6. Transfers**

8.30 (a) With the approval of the commissioner of  
 8.31 management and budget, the commissioner  
 8.32 of transportation may transfer unencumbered  
 8.33 balances among the appropriations from the  
 8.34 trunk highway fund and the state airports

9.1 fund made in this section. No transfer  
9.2 may be made from the appropriations for  
9.3 state road construction or for debt service.  
9.4 Transfers under this paragraph may not be  
9.5 made between funds. Transfers under this  
9.6 paragraph must be reported immediately to  
9.7 the chairs and ranking minority members of  
9.8 the legislative committees with jurisdiction  
9.9 over transportation finance.

9.10 (b) The commissioner shall transfer from  
9.11 the flexible highway account in the county  
9.12 state-aid highway fund: (1) \$3,700,000 in  
9.13 the first year to the trunk highway fund; and  
9.14 (2) the remainder in each year to the county  
9.15 turnback account in the county state-aid  
9.16 highway fund. The funds transferred are  
9.17 for highway turnback purposes as provided  
9.18 under Minnesota Statutes, section 161.081,  
9.19 subdivision 3.

9.20 **Subd. 7. Use of State Road Construction**  
9.21 **Appropriations**

9.22 Any money appropriated to the commissioner  
9.23 of transportation for state road construction  
9.24 for any fiscal year before the first year is  
9.25 available to the commissioner during the  
9.26 biennium to the extent that the commissioner  
9.27 spends the money on the state road  
9.28 construction project for which the money  
9.29 was originally encumbered during the fiscal  
9.30 year for which it was appropriated. The  
9.31 commissioner of transportation shall report to  
9.32 the commissioner of management and budget  
9.33 by August 1, 2013, and August 1, 2014, on  
9.34 a form the commissioner of management  
9.35 and budget provides, on expenditures made

10.1 during the previous fiscal year that are  
 10.2 authorized by this subdivision.

10.3 **Subd. 8. Contingent Appropriation**

10.4 The commissioner of transportation, with  
 10.5 the approval of the governor and the  
 10.6 written approval of at least five members  
 10.7 of a group consisting of the members of  
 10.8 the Legislative Advisory Commission  
 10.9 under Minnesota Statutes, section 3.30,  
 10.10 and the ranking minority members of the  
 10.11 legislative committees with jurisdiction over  
 10.12 transportation finance, may transfer all or  
 10.13 part of the unappropriated balance in the  
 10.14 trunk highway fund to an appropriation:  
 10.15 (1) for trunk highway design, construction,  
 10.16 or inspection in order to take advantage of  
 10.17 an unanticipated receipt of income to the  
 10.18 trunk highway fund or to take advantage  
 10.19 of federal advanced construction funding;  
 10.20 (2) for trunk highway maintenance in order  
 10.21 to meet an emergency; or (3) to pay tort  
 10.22 or environmental claims. Nothing in this  
 10.23 subdivision authorizes the commissioner  
 10.24 to increase the use of federal advanced  
 10.25 construction funding beyond amounts  
 10.26 specifically authorized. Any transfer as  
 10.27 a result of the use of federal advanced  
 10.28 construction funding must include an  
 10.29 analysis of the effects on the long-term  
 10.30 trunk highway fund balance. The amount  
 10.31 transferred is appropriated for the purpose of  
 10.32 the account to which it is transferred.

10.33 **Sec. 4. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL                    \$        64,889,000    \$        64,970,000**

11.1 This appropriation is from the general fund  
 11.2 for transit system operations under Minnesota  
 11.3 Statutes, sections 473.371 to 473.449.

11.4 **Sec. 5. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

11.5 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** **\$ 309,107,000 \$ 314,333,000**

11.6	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
11.7	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
11.8	<u>General</u> 88,945,000	88,974,000
11.9	<u>Special Revenue</u> 60,937,000	61,233,000
11.10	<u>H.U.T.D.</u> 10,406,000	10,406,000
11.11	<u>Trunk Highway</u> 88,909,000	88,909,000
11.12	<u>State Government</u>	
11.13	<u>Special Revenue</u> 59,841,000	64,742,000
11.14	<u>Environmental</u> 69,000	69,000

11.15 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 11.16 purpose are specified in the following  
 11.17 subdivisions.

11.18 **Subd. 2. Administration and Related Services**

11.19 **(a) Office of Communications** **504,000 504,000**

11.20	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
11.21	<u>General</u> 111,000	111,000
11.22	<u>Trunk Highway</u> 393,000	393,000

11.23 **(b) Public Safety Support** **8,439,000 8,439,000**

11.24	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
11.25	<u>General</u> 3,467,000	3,467,000
11.26	<u>H.U.T.D.</u> 1,366,000	1,366,000
11.27	<u>Trunk Highway</u> 3,606,000	3,606,000

11.28 \$380,000 in each year is from the general  
 11.29 fund for payment of public safety officer  
 11.30 survivor benefits under Minnesota Statutes,  
 11.31 section 299A.44. If the appropriation for  
 11.32 either year is insufficient, the appropriation  
 11.33 for the other year is available for it.

11.34 \$1,367,000 in each year is from the general  
 11.35 fund to be deposited in the public safety

12.1 officer's benefit account. This money  
12.2 is available for reimbursements under  
12.3 Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.465.

12.4 \$600,000 in each year is from the general  
12.5 fund and \$100,000 in each year is from the  
12.6 trunk highway fund for soft body armor  
12.7 reimbursements under Minnesota Statutes,  
12.8 section 299A.38.

12.9 \$792,000 in each year is from the general  
12.10 fund for transfer by the commissioner of  
12.11 management and budget to the trunk highway  
12.12 fund on December 31, 2013, and December  
12.13 31, 2014, respectively, in order to reimburse  
12.14 the trunk highway fund for expenses not  
12.15 related to the fund. These represent amounts  
12.16 appropriated out of the trunk highway  
12.17 fund for general fund purposes in the  
12.18 administration and related services program.

12.19 \$610,000 in each year is from the highway  
12.20 user tax distribution fund for transfer by the  
12.21 commissioner of management and budget  
12.22 to the trunk highway fund on December 31,  
12.23 2013, and December 31, 2014, respectively,  
12.24 in order to reimburse the trunk highway  
12.25 fund for expenses not related to the fund.

12.26 These represent amounts appropriated out  
12.27 of the trunk highway fund for highway  
12.28 user tax distribution fund purposes in the  
12.29 administration and related services program.

12.30 \$716,000 in each year is from the highway  
12.31 user tax distribution fund for transfer by the  
12.32 commissioner of management and budget to  
12.33 the general fund on December 31, 2013, and  
12.34 December 31, 2014, respectively, in order to  
12.35 reimburse the general fund for expenses not

13.1 related to the fund. These represent amounts  
 13.2 appropriated out of the general fund for  
 13.3 operation of the criminal justice data network  
 13.4 related to driver and motor vehicle licensing.

13.5 Before January 15, 2015, the commissioner  
 13.6 of public safety shall review the amounts and  
 13.7 purposes of the transfers under this paragraph  
 13.8 and shall recommend necessary changes to  
 13.9 the legislative committees with jurisdiction  
 13.10 over transportation finance.

13.11 **(c) Technology and Support Service** 3,685,000 3,685,000

13.12	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
13.13	<u>General</u>	<u>1,322,000</u>	<u>1,322,000</u>
13.14	<u>H.U.T.D.</u>	<u>19,000</u>	<u>19,000</u>
13.15	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>2,344,000</u>	<u>2,344,000</u>

13.16 **Subd. 3. State Patrol**

13.17 **(a) Patrolling Highways** 72,522,000 72,522,000

13.18	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
13.19	<u>General</u>	<u>37,000</u>	<u>37,000</u>
13.20	<u>H.U.T.D.</u>	<u>92,000</u>	<u>92,000</u>
13.21	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>72,393,000</u>	<u>72,393,000</u>

13.22 **(b) Commercial Vehicle Enforcement** 7,796,000 7,796,000

13.23 **(c) Capitol Security** 3,105,000 3,105,000

13.24 This appropriation is from the general fund.

13.25 The commissioner may not: (1) spend  
 13.26 any money from the trunk highway fund  
 13.27 for capitol security; or (2) permanently  
 13.28 transfer any state trooper from the patrolling  
 13.29 highways activity to capitol security.

13.30 The commissioner may not transfer any  
 13.31 money appropriated to the commissioner  
 13.32 under this section: (1) to capitol security; or  
 13.33 (2) from capitol security.

13.34 **(d) Vehicle Crimes Unit** 693,000 693,000

14.1 This appropriation is from the highway user  
 14.2 tax distribution fund.

14.3 This appropriation is to investigate: (1)  
 14.4 registration tax and motor vehicle sales tax  
 14.5 liabilities from individuals and businesses  
 14.6 that currently do not pay all taxes owed;  
 14.7 and (2) illegal or improper activity related  
 14.8 to sale, transfer, titling, and registration of  
 14.9 motor vehicles.

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

14.11 **(a) Vehicle Services** 28,259,000 28,357,000

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>				
14.12					
14.13	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>20,023,000</u>		<u>20,121,000</u>	
14.14	<u>H.U.T.D.</u>	<u>8,236,000</u>		<u>8,236,000</u>	

14.15 The special revenue fund appropriation is  
 14.16 from the vehicle services operating account.  
 14.17 \$1,000,000 in each year is from the special  
 14.18 revenue fund for ten additional positions to  
 14.19 enhance customer service related to vehicle  
 14.20 title issuance.

14.21 \$98,000 the second year is from the special  
 14.22 revenue fund for the vehicle services portion  
 14.23 of a new telephone system. This amount  
 14.24 is for transfer to the Office of Enterprise  
 14.25 Technology for initial construction and  
 14.26 development of the system. This is a onetime  
 14.27 appropriation and is available until expended.

14.28 **(b) Driver Services** 28,749,000 28,947,000

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>				
14.29					
14.30	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>28,748,000</u>		<u>28,946,000</u>	
14.31	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>1,000</u>		<u>1,000</u>	

14.32 The special revenue fund appropriation is  
 14.33 from the driver services operating account.

15.1 \$150,000 in the second year is from the  
 15.2 special revenue fund for two new positions  
 15.3 to implement facial recognition.  
 15.4 \$52,000 the second year is from the special  
 15.5 revenue fund for the driver services portion  
 15.6 of a new telephone system. This amount  
 15.7 is for transfer to the Office of Enterprise  
 15.8 Technology for initial construction and  
 15.9 development of the system. This is a onetime  
 15.10 appropriation and is available until expended.  
 15.11 \$37,000 in the first year and \$33,000 in the  
 15.12 second year are from the special revenue  
 15.13 fund for one half-time position to assist with  
 15.14 the Novice Driver Improvement Task Force  
 15.15 under Minnesota Statutes, section 171.0701,  
 15.16 subdivision 1a. The base appropriation for  
 15.17 this position is \$6,000 in fiscal year 2016 and  
 15.18 \$0 in fiscal year 2017.

15.19 <u>Subd. 5. <b>Traffic Safety</b></u>	<u>435,000</u>	<u>435,000</u>
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15.20 The commissioner of public safety shall  
 15.21 spend 50 percent of the money available to  
 15.22 the state under United States Code, title 23,  
 15.23 section 164, and the remaining 50 percent  
 15.24 must be transferred to the commissioner  
 15.25 of transportation for hazard elimination  
 15.26 activities under United States Code, title 23,  
 15.27 section 152.

15.28 <u>Subd. 6. <b>Pipeline Safety</b></u>	<u>1,354,000</u>	<u>1,354,000</u>
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15.29 This appropriation is from the pipeline safety  
 15.30 account in the special revenue fund.

15.31 <u>Subd. 7. <b>Emergency Management</b></u>	<u>3,079,000</u>	<u>3,029,000</u>
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15.32 <u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
15.33 <u>General</u>	<u>2,406,000</u>	<u>2,356,000</u>

16.1	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>604,000</u>	<u>604,000</u>
16.2	<u>Environmental</u>	<u>69,000</u>	<u>69,000</u>

16.3 \$604,000 each year is appropriated from the  
 16.4 fire safety account in the special revenue  
 16.5 fund. These amounts must be used to  
 16.6 fund the hazardous materials and chemical  
 16.7 assessment teams.

16.8 \$555,000 the first year and \$505,000 the  
 16.9 second year are from the general fund to  
 16.10 reinstate the school safety center and to  
 16.11 provide for school safety. The commissioner  
 16.12 of public safety shall work collaboratively  
 16.13 with the School Climate Council and the  
 16.14 school climate center established under  
 16.15 Minnesota Statutes, sections 121A.07 and  
 16.16 127A.052.

16.17	<b><u>Subd. 8. Criminal Apprehension</u></b>	<u>42,853,000</u>	<u>42,932,000</u>
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16.18	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
16.19	<u>General</u>	<u>40,905,000</u>	<u>40,984,000</u>
16.20	<u>State Government</u>		
16.21	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>7,000</u>	<u>7,000</u>
16.22	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>1,941,000</u>	<u>1,941,000</u>

16.23 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section  
 16.24 161.20, subdivision 3, \$1,941,000 each year  
 16.25 is appropriated from the trunk highway fund  
 16.26 for laboratory analysis related to driving  
 16.27 while impaired cases.

16.28 \$125,000 in each year is from the general  
 16.29 fund to replace forensic laboratory equipment  
 16.30 at the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension.

16.31 \$200,000 in each year is from the general  
 16.32 fund to improve forensic laboratory staffing  
 16.33 at the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension.

17.1 \$310,000 the first year and \$389,000 the  
 17.2 second year are from the general fund to  
 17.3 maintain Livescan fingerprinting machines.

17.4 **Subd. 9. Fire Marshal** 9,555,000 9,555,000

17.5 This appropriation is from the fire safety  
 17.6 account in the special revenue fund and is for  
 17.7 activities under Minnesota Statutes, section  
 17.8 299F.012.

17.9 Of this amount: (1) \$7,187,000 each year  
 17.10 is for activities under Minnesota Statutes,  
 17.11 section 299F.012; and (2) \$2,368,000 the first  
 17.12 year and \$2,368,000 the second year are for  
 17.13 transfers to the general fund under Minnesota  
 17.14 Statutes, section 297I.06, subdivision 3.

17.15 **Subd. 10. Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement** 2,235,000 2,235,000

17.16	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
17.17	<u>General</u>	<u>1,582,000</u>	<u>1,582,000</u>
17.18	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>653,000</u>	<u>653,000</u>

17.19 This appropriation is from the alcohol  
 17.20 enforcement account in the special revenue  
 17.21 fund. Of this appropriation, \$500,000 each  
 17.22 year shall be transferred to the general fund.

17.23 **Subd. 11. Office of Justice Programs** 36,106,000 36,106,000

17.24	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
17.25	<u>General</u>	<u>36,010,000</u>	<u>36,010,000</u>
17.26	<u>State Government</u>		
17.27	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>96,000</u>	<u>96,000</u>

17.28 Up to 2.5 percent of the grant money  
 17.29 appropriated in this subdivision may be used  
 17.30 to administer the grant program.

17.31 \$1,500,000 in each year is from the general  
 17.32 fund for victim assistance grants. The funds  
 17.33 must be distributed through an open and  
 17.34 competitive grant process for existing crime

18.1 victim programs. The funds must be used to  
 18.2 meet the needs of underserved and unserved  
 18.3 areas and populations.

18.4 \$1,500,000 in each year is from the general  
 18.5 fund for youth intervention programs under  
 18.6 Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.73. The  
 18.7 appropriations must be used to create new  
 18.8 programs statewide in underserved areas and  
 18.9 to help existing programs serve unmet needs  
 18.10 in the program's communities.

18.11 \$50,000 in each year is from the general  
 18.12 fund for a grant to the Upper Midwest  
 18.13 Community Policing Institute for use  
 18.14 in training community safety personnel  
 18.15 about the use of de-escalation strategies  
 18.16 for handling returning veterans in crisis.

18.17 This is a onetime appropriation, and the  
 18.18 unencumbered balance in the first year does  
 18.19 not cancel but is available for the second  
 18.20 year. The commissioner shall consult with  
 18.21 the Peace Officers Standards and Training  
 18.22 (POST) Board regarding the design and  
 18.23 content of the course, and must also ensure  
 18.24 that the training opportunities are reasonably  
 18.25 distributed throughout the state.

18.26 **Subd. 12. Emergency Communication**  
 18.27 **Networks**

59,738,000

64,639,000

18.28 This appropriation is from the state  
 18.29 government special revenue fund for 911  
 18.30 emergency telecommunications services.

18.31 **(a) Public Safety Answering Points**

18.32 \$13,664,000 each year is to be distributed  
 18.33 as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section  
 18.34 403.113, subdivision 2.

19.1 **(b) Medical Resource Communication**

19.2 **Centers**

19.3 \$683,000 each year is for grants to the  
19.4 Minnesota Emergency Medical Services  
19.5 Regulatory Board for the Metro East  
19.6 and Metro West Medical Resource  
19.7 Communication Centers that were in  
19.8 operation before January 1, 2000.

19.9 **(c) ARMER Debt Service**

19.10 \$23,261,000 each year is to the commissioner  
19.11 of management and budget to pay debt  
19.12 service on revenue bonds issued under  
19.13 Minnesota Statutes, section 403.275.

19.14 Any portion of this appropriation not needed  
19.15 to pay debt service in a fiscal year may be  
19.16 used by the commissioner of public safety to  
19.17 pay cash for any of the capital improvements  
19.18 for which bond proceeds were appropriated  
19.19 by Laws 2005, chapter 136, article 1, section  
19.20 9, subdivision 8, or Laws 2007, chapter 54,  
19.21 article 1, section 10, subdivision 8.

19.22 **(d) ARMER State Backbone Operating**

19.23 **Costs**

19.24 \$9,250,000 the first year and \$9,650,000  
19.25 the second year are to the commissioner of  
19.26 transportation for costs of maintaining and  
19.27 operating the first and third phases of the  
19.28 statewide radio system backbone.

19.29 **(e) ARMER Improvements**

19.30 \$1,000,000 each year is for the Statewide  
19.31 Radio Board for costs of design, construction,  
19.32 maintenance of, and improvements to those  
19.33 elements of the statewide public safety radio  
19.34 and communication system that support



21.1 on behalf of the Governor's Office do not further a highway purpose and do not aid in the  
21.2 construction, improvement, or maintenance of the highway system.

21.3 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 161.53, is amended to read:

21.4 **161.53 RESEARCH ACTIVITIES.**

21.5 (a) The commissioner may set aside in each fiscal year up to two percent of the total  
21.6 amount of all funds appropriated to the commissioner other than county state-aid and  
21.7 municipal state-aid highway funds for transportation research including public and private  
21.8 research partnerships. The commissioner shall spend this money for (1) research to improve  
21.9 the design, construction, maintenance, management, and environmental compatibility  
21.10 of transportation systems, including research into and implementation of innovations  
21.11 in bridge-monitoring technology and bridge inspection technology; bridge inspection  
21.12 techniques and best practices; and the cost-effectiveness of deferred or lower cost highway  
21.13 and bridge design and maintenance activities and their impacts on long-term trunk highway  
21.14 costs and maintenance needs; (2) research on transportation policies that enhance energy  
21.15 efficiency and economic development; (3) programs for implementing and monitoring  
21.16 research results; and (4) development of transportation education and outreach activities.

21.17 (b) Of all funds appropriated to the commissioner other than state-aid funds, the  
21.18 commissioner shall spend at least 0.1 percent, but not exceeding ~~\$1,200,000~~ \$2,000,000  
21.19 in any fiscal year, for research and related activities performed by the Center for  
21.20 Transportation Studies of the University of Minnesota. The center shall establish a  
21.21 technology transfer and training center for Minnesota transportation professionals. By  
21.22 June 30, 2018, the center shall conduct research on transportation policy and economic  
21.23 competitiveness, including, but not limited to, innovative transportation finance options  
21.24 and economic development, transportation impacts of industry clusters and freight, and  
21.25 transportation technology impacts on economic competitiveness.

21.26 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 168A.29, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

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

21.28 (1) for filing an application for and the issuance of an original certificate of title,  
21.29 the sum of:

21.30 (i) until December 31, 2016, \$6.25 of which \$3.25 must be paid into the vehicle  
21.31 services operating account of the special revenue fund under section 299A.705; until  
21.32 June 30, 2012, a surcharge of \$1.75 must be added to the fee and credited to the driver  
21.33 and vehicle services technology account; and from July 1, 2012, to June 30, 2016, a

22.1 surcharge of \$1 must be added to the fee and credited to the driver and vehicle services  
22.2 technology account; and

22.3 (ii) on and after January 1, 2017, \$8.25 of which \$4.15 must be paid into the vehicle  
22.4 services operating account;

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

22.9 (3) until December 31, 2016, for the transfer of the interest of an owner and the  
22.10 issuance of a new certificate of title, the sum of \$5.50 of which \$2.50 must be paid into the  
22.11 vehicle services operating account of the special revenue fund under section 299A.705;  
22.12 ~~until June 30, 2012, a surcharge of \$1.75 must be added to the fee and credited to the~~  
22.13 ~~driver and vehicle services technology account;~~ and from July 1, 2012, to June 30, 2016,  
22.14 a surcharge of \$1 must be added to the fee and credited to the driver and vehicle services  
22.15 technology account;

22.16 (4) for each assignment of a security interest when first noted on a certificate of title,  
22.17 unless noted concurrently with the security interest, the sum of \$1; and

22.18 (5) for issuing a duplicate certificate of title, the sum of \$7.25 of which \$3.25 must  
22.19 be paid into the vehicle services operating account of the special revenue fund under  
22.20 section 299A.705; ~~until June 30, 2012, a surcharge of \$1.75 must be added to the fee~~  
22.21 ~~and credited to the driver and vehicle services technology account;~~ from July 1, 2012,  
22.22 to June 30, 2016, a surcharge of \$1 must be added to the fee and credited to the driver  
22.23 and vehicle services technology account.

22.24 (b) ~~After June 30, 1994,~~ In addition to each of the fees the fee required under  
22.25 paragraph (a), ~~clauses clause (1) and (3),~~ the department must be paid \$3.50. The additional  
22.26 \$3.50 fee collected under this paragraph must be deposited in the special revenue fund and  
22.27 credited to the public safety motor vehicle account established in section 299A.70.

22.28 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 171.05, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

22.29 Subd. 2. **Person less than 18 years of age.** (a) Notwithstanding any provision  
22.30 in subdivision 1 to the contrary, the department may issue an instruction permit to an  
22.31 applicant who is 15, 16, or 17 years of age and who:

22.32 (1) has completed a course of driver education in another state, has a previously  
22.33 issued valid license from another state, or is enrolled in either:

23.1 (i) a public, private, or commercial driver education program that is approved by  
23.2 the commissioner of public safety and that includes classroom and behind-the-wheel  
23.3 training; or

23.4 (ii) an approved behind-the-wheel driver education program when the student is  
23.5 receiving full-time instruction in a home school within the meaning of sections 120A.22  
23.6 and 120A.24, the student is working toward a homeschool diploma, the student is taking  
23.7 home-classroom driver training with classroom materials approved by the commissioner  
23.8 of public safety, and the student's parent has certified the student's homeschool and  
23.9 home-classroom driver training status on the form approved by the commissioner;

23.10 (2) has completed the classroom phase of instruction in the driver education program  
23.11 or has completed 15 hours of classroom instruction in a program that presents classroom  
23.12 and behind-the-wheel instruction concurrently;

23.13 (3) has passed a test of the applicant's eyesight;

23.14 (4) has passed a department-administered test of the applicant's knowledge of traffic  
23.15 laws;

23.16 (5) has completed the required application, which must be approved by (i) either  
23.17 parent when both reside in the same household as the minor applicant or, if otherwise,  
23.18 then (ii) the parent or spouse of the parent having custody or, in the event there is no  
23.19 court order for custody, then (iii) the parent or spouse of the parent with whom the minor  
23.20 is living or, if items (i) to (iii) do not apply, then (iv) the guardian having custody of the  
23.21 minor, (v) the foster parent or the director of the transitional living program in which the  
23.22 child resides or, in the event a person under the age of 18 has no living father, mother,  
23.23 or guardian, or is married or otherwise legally emancipated, then (vi) the applicant's  
23.24 adult spouse, adult close family member, or adult employer; provided, that the approval  
23.25 required by this clause contains a verification of the age of the applicant and the identity of  
23.26 the parent, guardian, adult spouse, adult close family member, or adult employer; and

23.27 (6) has paid ~~the fee~~ all fees required in section 171.06, subdivision 2.

23.28 (b) For the purposes of determining compliance with the certification of paragraph  
23.29 (a), clause (1), item (ii), the commissioner may request verification of a student's  
23.30 homeschool status from the superintendent of the school district in which the student  
23.31 resides and the superintendent shall provide that verification.

23.32 (c) The instruction permit is valid for two years from the date of application and  
23.33 may be renewed upon payment of a fee equal to the fee for issuance of an instruction  
23.34 permit under section 171.06, subdivision 2.

23.35 (d) The commissioner of public safety shall adopt rules to carry out the provisions  
23.36 of this section. The rules adopted under this section are exempt from the rulemaking

24.1 provisions of chapter 14. The rules are subject to section 14.386, except that section  
24.2 14.386, paragraph (b), does not apply.

24.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Paragraph (a) is effective June 1, 2014. Paragraph (d) is  
24.4 effective the day following final enactment.

24.5 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 171.061, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

24.6 Subd. 4. **Fee; equipment.** (a) The agent may charge and retain a filing fee of ~~\$5~~ \$8  
24.7 for each application. Except as provided in paragraph (c), the fee shall cover all expenses  
24.8 involved in receiving, accepting, or forwarding to the department the applications and  
24.9 fees required under sections 171.02, subdivision 3; 171.06, subdivisions 2 and 2a; and  
24.10 171.07, subdivisions 3 and 3a.

24.11 (b) The statutory fees and the filing fees imposed under paragraph (a) may be paid  
24.12 by credit card or debit card. The driver's license agent may collect a convenience fee on  
24.13 the statutory fees and filing fees not greater than the cost of processing a credit card or  
24.14 debit card transaction. The convenience fee must be used to pay the cost of processing  
24.15 credit card and debit card transactions. The commissioner shall adopt rules to administer  
24.16 this paragraph using the exempt procedures of section 14.386, except that section 14.386,  
24.17 paragraph (b), does not apply.

24.18 (c) The department shall maintain the photo identification equipment for all  
24.19 agents appointed as of January 1, 2000. Upon the retirement, resignation, death, or  
24.20 discontinuance of an existing agent, and if a new agent is appointed in an existing office  
24.21 pursuant to Minnesota Rules, chapter 7404, and notwithstanding the above or Minnesota  
24.22 Rules, part 7404.0400, the department shall provide and maintain photo identification  
24.23 equipment without additional cost to a newly appointed agent in that office if the office  
24.24 was provided the equipment by the department before January 1, 2000. All photo  
24.25 identification equipment must be compatible with standards established by the department.

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

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

25.1 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 174.40, is amended by adding a subdivision  
25.2 to read:

25.3 Subd. 7a. **Related non-infrastructure activities.** (a) The commissioner may not  
25.4 expend an appropriation from the bond proceeds fund, or provide financial assistance from  
25.5 such appropriations, for the purposes specified in this subdivision.

25.6 (b) Subject to appropriations made specifically for the purposes of this subdivision,  
25.7 the commissioner may expend funds for non-infrastructure activities to encourage walking  
25.8 and bicycling to school, including:

25.9 (1) planning activities;

25.10 (2) public awareness campaigns and outreach to press and community leaders;

25.11 (3) traffic education and enforcement in the vicinity of schools;

25.12 (4) student sessions on bicycle and pedestrian safety, health, and the environment; and

25.13 (5) financial assistance for training, volunteers, and managers of safe routes to  
25.14 school programs.

25.15 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 299A.73, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

25.16 Subd. 3. **Grant allocation formula.** Up to ~~one~~ five percent of the appropriations  
25.17 to the grants-in-aid to the youth intervention program may be used for a grant to  
25.18 the Minnesota Youth Intervention Programs Association for expenses in providing  
25.19 ~~collaborative~~ collaboration, program development, professional development training  
25.20 ~~and,~~ technical assistance to, tracking, and analyzing and reporting outcome data for the  
25.21 community-based grantees of the program. The Minnesota Youth Intervention Programs  
25.22 Association is not required to meet the match obligation under subdivision 2.

25.23 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 299E.01, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

25.24 Subd. 3. **Powers and duties transferred.** All powers, duties and responsibilities  
25.25 heretofore assigned by law to the commissioner of administration relating to the general  
25.26 function of security in ~~such~~ Capitol complex state-owned buildings are hereby transferred  
25.27 to the commissioner of public safety. The commissioner of public safety shall have  
25.28 the final authority regarding public safety and security in the Capitol complex. The  
25.29 commissioner of administration shall have the powers, duties, and responsibilities relating  
25.30 to the Capitol complex of state-owned buildings as provided under chapter 16B.

25.31 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 398A.04, is amended by adding a subdivision  
25.32 to read:

26.1            Subd. 2a. **Bus rapid transit development.** A regional rail authority may exercise  
26.2 the powers conferred under this section to: plan, establish, acquire, develop, purchase,  
26.3 enlarge, extend, improve, maintain, equip, regulate, and protect; and pay costs of  
26.4 construction and operation of a bus rapid transit system located within its county on transit  
26.5 ways included in and approved by the Metropolitan Council's 2030 Transportation Policy  
26.6 Plan. This subdivision applies only to the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin,  
26.7 Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

26.8            **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment  
26.9 and applies only to the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott,  
26.10 and Washington.

26.11          Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 398A.10, is amended by adding a  
26.12 subdivision to read:

26.13            Subd. 4. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "project" means the initial  
26.14 construction of a minimum operable segment of a new light rail transit or commuter rail  
26.15 line, but does not include infill stations, project enhancements, extensions, or supportive  
26.16 infrastructure, constructed after the rail transit is operational.

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

26.18          Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 473.39, is amended by adding a subdivision  
26.19 to read:

26.20            Subd. 1s. **Obligations.** After July 1, 2013, in addition to other authority in this  
26.21 section, the council may issue certificates of indebtedness, bonds, or other obligations  
26.22 under this section in an amount not exceeding \$35,800,000 for capital expenditures as  
26.23 prescribed in the council's transit capital improvement program and for related costs,  
26.24 including the costs of issuance and sale of the obligations.

26.25            **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment  
26.26 and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and  
26.27 Washington.

26.28          Sec. 12. Laws 2009, chapter 9, section 1, the effective date, is amended to read:

26.29            **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment,  
26.30 and expires on June 30, ~~2013~~ 2016.

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

27.1       Sec. 13. **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR NORTHSTAR COMMUTER RAIL**  
27.2 **EXPENSES; GREATER MINNESOTA.**

27.3           The portion of the cost to provide financial assistance for the Greater Minnesota  
27.4 Transit component of the Northstar Commuter Rail is exempt from the requirements in  
27.5 Minnesota Statutes, section 174.24, subdivision 1.

27.6       Sec. 14. **MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT 1**  
27.7 **CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.**

27.8           (a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the commissioner of transportation  
27.9 must select and implement either the M-1 or the E-2 layout, as identified in the alternatives  
27.10 analysis conducted by the Department of Transportation, or variations of the M-1 or E-2  
27.11 layouts, for the project involving the relocation of marked U.S. Highway 53 between  
27.12 Eveleth and Virginia.

27.13           (b) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the commissioner of transportation  
27.14 must select and implement the South Route layout, as identified and selected in 2010 as  
27.15 the preferred alternative, for the project involving marked U.S. Highway 169 between  
27.16 Tower and Ely.

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

27.18       Sec. 15. **NOVICE DRIVER EDUCATION IMPROVEMENT TASK FORCE.**

27.19           (a) The Novice Driver Education Improvement Task Force is established to ensure  
27.20 driver education programs in Minnesota meet the Novice Teen Driver Education and  
27.21 Training Administrative Standards published by the United States Department of  
27.22 Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

27.23           (b) The task force consists of 21 members:

27.24           (1) the commissioner of public safety or the commissioner's designee;

27.25           (2) two representatives from and designated by the Minnesota Association of  
27.26 Student Councils;

27.27           (3) one representative from and designated by Mothers Against Drunk Driving;

27.28           (4) one representative from and designated by Minnesotans for Safe Driving;

27.29           (5) two representatives from law enforcement organizations, such as the Minnesota  
27.30 Chiefs of Police Association and the Minnesota Sheriffs' Association, appointed by the  
27.31 commissioner;

27.32           (6) one representative from and designated by the American Automobile Association;

27.33           (7) one representative from and designated by the Minnesota Safety Council;

27.34           (8) two representatives from and designated by the Minnesota PTA;

28.1 (9) five driver educators from the Minnesota Driver and Traffic Safety Education  
28.2 Association designated by the commissioner; and

28.3 (10) five driver educators from commercial driving schools, designated by the  
28.4 commissioner.

28.5 (c) Any vacancies shall be filled by the appointing or designating authorities.

28.6 (d) Members shall serve without compensation.

28.7 (e) Members shall be appointed or designated by August 1, 2013.

28.8 (f) The commissioner or the commissioner's designee shall convene the first meeting  
28.9 of the task force after all appointments have been made. At the first meeting, the task  
28.10 force shall elect a chair from among its members by majority vote. The first meeting must  
28.11 take place by September 1, 2013.

28.12 (g) The duties of the task force are to examine and compare Minnesota law and  
28.13 rules concerning driver education with the Novice Teen Driver Education and Training  
28.14 Administrative Standards, identify discrepancies, and determine to what extent, if any,  
28.15 state law should be modified to conform with federal standards.

28.16 (h) The commissioner shall provide support staff and administrative services for  
28.17 the task force.

28.18 (i) The task force shall submit a report no later than August 31, 2015, to the  
28.19 chairs and ranking minority members of the committees in the house of representatives  
28.20 and senate having jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance, containing its  
28.21 recommendation as to whether or to what extent Minnesota's driver education programs  
28.22 should conform to national standards referenced in paragraph (a), and if so, providing draft  
28.23 legislation necessary or desirable to achieve the recommended level of federal conformity.  
28.24 The report may present recommendations for improving Minnesota's driver education  
28.25 curriculum and identify associated costs.

28.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment  
28.27 and is repealed September 1, 2015, or the day after the task force submits its report, as  
28.28 required in paragraph (i), whichever occurs first.

28.29 **Sec. 16. TRANSIT WAY COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.**

28.30 (a) In all phases of a transit way project in which the Metropolitan Council is the  
28.31 lead transportation authority, the council may partner and contract for services with local  
28.32 community-based organizations to promote community engagement activities along the  
28.33 project corridor. The community-based organizations may include those organizations  
28.34 representative of low-income people, people of color, people with disabilities, other  
28.35 cultural constituencies, or small businesses.

29.1 (b) For purposes of this section, project phases may include, but are not limited to:

29.2 (1) feasibility studies, alternatives analysis, preplanning, environmental analysis,  
29.3 land acquisition, easements, design, preliminary and final engineering, construction,  
29.4 and station development;

29.5 (2) review of existing public transit service along the corridor; and

29.6 (3) pedestrian, bicycle, or nonmotorized improvement projects associated with the  
29.7 corridor.

29.8 (c) Any community engagement activities conducted under this section shall be  
29.9 reported to the senate and house of representatives chairs and ranking minority members  
29.10 of the committees and divisions with primary jurisdiction over transportation policy and  
29.11 finance.

29.12 **Sec. 17. TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE HIRING AND**  
29.13 **RECRUITMENT.**

29.14 (a) In the construction, maintenance, replacement, and improvement of transit and  
29.15 transportation infrastructure, the lead transportation authority is encouraged to: (1) make  
29.16 every effort to employ, and encourage the construction manager and other subcontractors  
29.17 and vendors to employ, women and members of minority communities; (2) make every  
29.18 effort to contract with women-owned and minority-owned small businesses designated as  
29.19 small targeted group businesses under Minnesota Statutes, section 16C.16; and (3) may  
29.20 contract with a community-based employment assistance firm to create an employment  
29.21 program to recruit, hire, and retain women and minorities for the project construction  
29.22 workforce. In monitoring progress on meeting these goals, reports may track workers  
29.23 from zip codes that have high rates of poverty and unemployment.

29.24 (b) The commissioner of transportation shall make all reasonable efforts to increase  
29.25 participation in Department of Transportation highway projects of small businesses  
29.26 located in economically disadvantaged areas of Minnesota, within the meaning of  
29.27 Minnesota Statutes, section 16C.16, subdivision 7.

29.28 **Sec. 18. REPEALER.**

29.29 Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 174.285, subdivision 8, is repealed.