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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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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; exempting towing and recovery vehicles from certain
1.3 motor vehicle weight limitations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section
1.4 169.87, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 169.87, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.7 to read:

1.8 Subd. 8. **Towing and recovery vehicles.** (a) Subject to paragraph (b), weight restrictions
1.9 imposed under subdivisions 1 and 2 do not apply to a towing vehicle or other recovery
1.10 vehicle that is being operated to tow or recover another vehicle that:

1.11 (1) is involved in a vehicle crash or is inoperable, and is located within a public road
1.12 right-of-way;

1.13 (2) has entered a public body of water; or

1.14 (3) is exempt from the restrictions under subdivision 1 or 2, as appropriate.

1.15 (b) The exemption under this subdivision only applies when the towing or recovery
1.16 vehicle is traveling to tow or recover a vehicle specified in paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (3),
1.17 or is towing or recovering a vehicle specified in paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (3).