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A bill for an act  
relating to motor vehicles; prohibiting use of driver feedback and  
safety-monitoring equipment in certain vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes  
2012, section 169.71, subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 169.71, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Prohibitions generally; exceptions.** (a) A person shall not drive or  
operate any motor vehicle with:

- (1) a windshield cracked or discolored to an extent to limit or obstruct proper vision;
- (2) any objects suspended between the driver and the windshield, other than:
  - (i) sun visors;
  - (ii) rearview mirrors;
  - (iii) driver feedback and safety-monitoring equipment when mounted immediately  
behind, slightly above, or slightly below the rearview mirror;
  - (iv) global positioning systems or navigation systems when mounted or located near  
the bottommost portion of the windshield; and
  - (v) electronic toll collection devices; or
- (3) any sign, poster, or other nontransparent material upon the front windshield,  
sidewings, or side or rear windows of the vehicle, other than a certificate or other paper  
required to be so displayed by law or authorized by the state director of the Division of  
Emergency Management or the commissioner of public safety.
- (b) Paragraph (a), clauses (2) and (3), do not apply to law enforcement vehicles.
- (c) Paragraph (a), clause (2), does not apply to authorized emergency vehicles.

2.1           (d) Paragraph (a), clause (2), item (iii), does not apply to a vehicle operated by a  
2.2 motor carrier of railroad employees under section 221.0255. Use of driver feedback  
2.3 and safety-monitoring equipment in vehicles operated by a motor carrier of railroad  
2.4 employees is prohibited.