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A bill for an act

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relating to transportation; providing for a new distribution of school bus stop-signal

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arm violation fine revenue; increasing a fine amount; classifying data; requiring

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reporting of violations of the stop-signal arm law; amending Minnesota Statutes

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2020, section 169.444, subdivisions 2, 6, by adding subdivisions.

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

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 169.444, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

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Subd. 2. **Violations by drivers; penalties.** (a) A person who fails to stop a vehicle or

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to keep it stopped, as required in subdivision 1, or who violates subdivision 1a, is guilty of

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a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$500.

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(b) A person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor if the person fails to stop a motor vehicle

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or to keep it stopped, as required in subdivision 1, or who violates subdivision 1a, and

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commits either or both of the following acts:

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(1) passes or attempts to pass the school bus in a motor vehicle on the right-hand,

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passenger-door side of the bus; or

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(2) passes or attempts to pass the school bus in a motor vehicle when a school child is

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outside of and on the street or highway used by the school bus or on the adjacent sidewalk.

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(c) The fines collected for violations of subdivisions 1 and 1a pursuant to this subdivision

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must be distributed as provided in subdivision 9.

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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2021, and applies to violations

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that occur on or after that date.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 169.444, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Violation; penalty for owner or lessee.** (a) If a motor vehicle is operated in violation of subdivision 1 or 1a, the owner of the vehicle, or for a leased motor vehicle the lessee of the vehicle, is guilty of a petty misdemeanor punishable by a fine of no less than \$300.

(b) The owner or lessee may not be fined under paragraph (a) if (1) another person is convicted for that violation, or (2) the motor vehicle was stolen at the time of the violation.

(c) Paragraph (a) does not apply to a lessor of a motor vehicle if the lessor keeps a record of the name and address of the lessee.

(d) Paragraph (a) does not prohibit or limit the prosecution of a motor vehicle operator for violating subdivision 1 or 1a.

(e) A violation under paragraph (a) does not constitute grounds for revocation or suspension of the owner's or lessee's driver's license.

(f) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the fines collected for violations of this subdivision must be distributed as provided in subdivision 9.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2021, and applies to violations that occur on or after that date.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 169.444, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 9. **Fine revenue distribution.** Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, fines collected pursuant to this section must be distributed as follows:

(1) \$50 to the law enforcement agency that issued the citation; and

(2) the remainder to the school district where the violation occurred for use by the school district to purchase, install, or maintain stop-signal arm camera systems.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2021, and applies to fines collected on or after that date.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 169.444, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 10. **Data privacy.** (a) Data collected through the use of a school bus stop-signal arm camera system are private data on individuals, as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 12, subject to the following:

(1) if the individual requests a copy of the recording, data on other individuals who do not consent to the data's release must be redacted from the copy;

(2) data that are the subject of a violation under this section may be disclosed to a law enforcement agency;

(3) data that are criminal investigative data are governed by section 13.82, subdivision 7; and

(4) section 13.04, subdivision 2, does not apply to collection of the data.

(b) The owner or operator of a school bus stop-signal arm camera is subject to the provisions of chapter 13 and paragraph (a) with respect to data collected, created, received, maintained, or disseminated through the use of a school bus stop-signal arm camera system.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2021, and applies to data collected on or after that date.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 169.444, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 11. **Reporting.** A school bus driver must report a violation of this section to a supervisor. The supervisor must report the violation to a law enforcement agency.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2021, and applies to violations that occur on or after that date.