

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to transportation; establishing a budget for transportation; appropriating

1.3 money for transportation purposes, including Department of Transportation,

1.4 Metropolitan Council, and Department of Public Safety activities; authorizing the

1.5 sale and issuance of state bonds; modifying various provisions governing

1.6 transportation finance, including vehicle registration, drivers' licenses, and the

1.7 motor vehicle sales tax; authorizing the Metropolitan Council to impose a

1.8 metropolitan region sales tax for roads, transit, and active transportation projects;

1.9 amending various provisions relating to transportation, motor vehicles, drivers,

1.10 driver's education, deputy registrars, bicycle safety, traffic safety, transit safety,

1.11 license plates, rail safety, and the Metropolitan Council; requiring reports and

1.12 studies; creating an advisory council; establishing a Metropolitan Council

1.13 governance commission; making technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes

1.14 2022, sections 3.9741, subdivision 5; 13.69, subdivision 1; 13.6905, by adding a

1.15 subdivision; 115E.042, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6; 123B.90, subdivision 2; 151.37,

1.16 subdivision 12; 160.262, subdivision 3; 160.266, subdivisions 1b, 6, by adding a

1.17 subdivision; 161.045, subdivision 3; 161.088, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 5, by adding

1.18 subdivisions; 161.45, subdivisions 1, 2; 161.46, subdivision 2; 161.53; 162.145,

1.19 subdivisions 2, 3, 4; 168.002, by adding a subdivision; 168.013, subdivisions 1a,

1.20 8; 168.1293, subdivision 7; 168.1295, subdivision 5; 168.1296, subdivision 5;

1.21 168.1298, subdivision 5; 168.27, subdivisions 11, 31; 168.326; 168.327,

1.22 subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 5b, by adding a subdivision; 168.33, subdivision 7; 168.345,

1.23 subdivision 2; 168.381, subdivision 4; 168A.152, subdivision 2; 168A.29,

1.24 subdivision 1; 168A.31, subdivision 2; 168D.06; 168D.07; 169.011, subdivision

1.25 27; 169.09, subdivision 13, by adding a subdivision; 169.14, by adding a

1.26 subdivision; 169.18, subdivisions 3, 11; 169.222, subdivision 4, by adding a

1.27 subdivision; 169.345, subdivision 2; 169.475, subdivisions 2, 3; 169A.60,

1.28 subdivision 16; 171.01, by adding a subdivision; 171.042; 171.05, subdivision 2;

1.29 171.06, subdivisions 2, 3, as amended, by adding a subdivision; 171.061,

1.30 subdivision 4; 171.07, subdivisions 11, 15; 171.0705, by adding a subdivision;

1.31 171.12, subdivision 1a; 171.13, subdivisions 1, 1a, 7; 171.26; 171.29, subdivision

1.32 2; 171.36; 174.01, by adding a subdivision; 174.03, subdivision 1c; 174.38,

1.33 subdivisions 3, 6; 219.015, subdivision 2; 219.1651; 222.37, subdivision 1;

1.34 297A.64, subdivisions 1, 2; 297A.94; 297A.99, subdivision 1; 297B.02, subdivision

1.35 1; 297B.09; 299A.01, by adding a subdivision; 299A.55; 299A.705, subdivisions

1.36 1, 3, by adding a subdivision; 357.021, subdivisions 6, 7; 360.915, subdivision 6;

1.37 473.146, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 473.3994, subdivisions 1a, 4, 7,

1.38 9, 14; 473.3995; 473.3997; 473.405, subdivision 4; 473.859, by adding a

2.1 subdivision; 609.855, subdivisions 1, 3, 7, by adding a subdivision; Laws 2005,
 2.2 First Special Session chapter 6, article 3, section 103; Laws 2018, chapter 214,
 2.3 article 1, section 16, subdivision 11, as amended; Laws 2021, First Special Session
 2.4 chapter 5, article 1, section 4, subdivision 4; article 4, section 143; Laws 2022,
 2.5 chapter 39, section 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters
 2.6 4; 123B; 160; 161; 162; 168; 169; 171; 174; 219; 290; 297A; 299A; 473; repealing
 2.7 Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 167.45; 168.121, subdivision 5; 168.1282,
 2.8 subdivision 5; 168.1294, subdivision 5; 168.1299, subdivision 4; 168B.15; 169.829,
 2.9 subdivision 2; 299A.705, subdivision 2; 360.915, subdivision 5; Minnesota Rules,
 2.10 parts 7411.0530; 7411.0535.

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

2.12 **ARTICLE 1**

2.13 **TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS**

2.14 Section 1. **TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS.**

2.15 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies
 2.16 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the trunk highway
 2.17 fund, or another named fund, and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose.
 2.18 Amounts for "Total Appropriation" and sums shown in the corresponding columns marked
 2.19 "Appropriations by Fund" are summary only and do not have legal effect. Unless specified
 2.20 otherwise, the amounts in fiscal year 2025 under "Appropriations by Fund" show the base
 2.21 within the meaning of Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.11, subdivision 3, by fund. The
 2.22 figures "2024" and "2025" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under them
 2.23 are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, or June 30, 2025, respectively. "Each
 2.24 year" is each of fiscal years 2024 and 2025. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2024 and 2025.
 2.25 "C.S.A.H." is the county state-aid highway fund. "M.S.A.S." is the municipal state-aid street
 2.26 fund. "H.U.T.D." is the highway user tax distribution fund. "Staff" means those employees
 2.27 who are identified in any of the following roles for the legislative committees: committee
 2.28 administrator, committee legislative assistant, caucus research, fiscal analysis, counsel, or
 2.29 nonpartisan research.

2.30 **APPROPRIATIONS**
 2.31 **Available for the Year**
 2.32 **Ending June 30**
 2.33 **2024 2025**

2.34 **Sec. 2. DEPARTMENT OF**
 2.35 **TRANSPORTATION**

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| 2.36 | <u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>4,134,629,000</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>3,717,819,000</u> |
| 2.37 | <u>Appropriations by Fund</u> | | | | |
| 2.38 | | <u>2024</u> | | <u>2025</u> | |
| 2.39 | <u>General</u> | <u>544,689,000</u> | | <u>43,534,000</u> | |

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| 3.1 | <u>Airports</u> | <u>40,368,000</u> | <u>25,368,000</u> |
| 3.2 | <u>C.S.A.H.</u> | <u>969,591,000</u> | <u>1,037,261,000</u> |
| 3.3 | <u>M.S.A.S.</u> | <u>235,757,000</u> | <u>247,087,000</u> |
| 3.4 | <u>Trunk Highway</u> | <u>2,334,224,000</u> | <u>2,364,569,000</u> |

3.5 The appropriations in this section are to the
3.6 commissioner of transportation.

3.7 The amounts that may be spent for each
3.8 purpose are specified in the following
3.9 subdivisions.

3.10 Subd. 2. **Multimodal Systems**

3.11 (a) **Aeronautics**

3.12 (1) **Airport Development and Assistance** 59,598,000 18,598,000

3.13 Appropriations by Fund

| | <u>2024</u> | <u>2025</u> |
|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 3.14 <u>General</u> | <u>26,000,000</u> | <u>-0-</u> |
| 3.15 <u>Airports</u> | <u>33,598,000</u> | <u>18,598,000</u> |

3.17 The appropriation from the state airports fund
3.18 must be spent according to Minnesota Statutes,
3.19 section 360.305, subdivision 4.

3.20 \$15,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
3.21 state airports fund for significantly delayed
3.22 system maintenance of critical airport safety
3.23 systems, equipment, and essential airfield
3.24 technology.

3.25 \$26,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
3.26 general fund for matching federal aid, related
3.27 state investments, and appropriate costs
3.28 incurred by the department to carry out the
3.29 provisions of this section. This is a onetime
3.30 appropriation and is available until June 30,
3.31 2027.

3.32 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
3.33 16A.28, subdivision 6, the appropriation from

4.1 the state airports fund is available for five
 4.2 years after the year of the appropriation. If the
 4.3 appropriation for either year is insufficient,
 4.4 the appropriation for the other year is available
 4.5 for it.

4.6 If the commissioner of transportation
 4.7 determines that a balance remains in the state
 4.8 airports fund following the appropriations
 4.9 made in this article and that the appropriations
 4.10 made are insufficient for advancing airport
 4.11 development and assistance projects, an
 4.12 amount necessary to advance the projects, not
 4.13 to exceed the balance in the state airports fund,
 4.14 is appropriated in each year to the
 4.15 commissioner and must be spent according to
 4.16 Minnesota Statutes, section 360.305,
 4.17 subdivision 4. Within two weeks of a
 4.18 determination under this contingent
 4.19 appropriation, the commissioner of
 4.20 transportation must notify the commissioner
 4.21 of management and budget and the chairs,
 4.22 ranking minority members, and staff of the
 4.23 legislative committees with jurisdiction over
 4.24 transportation finance concerning the funds
 4.25 appropriated. Funds appropriated under this
 4.26 contingent appropriation do not adjust the base
 4.27 for fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

4.28 **(2) Aviation Support Services** 15,397,000 8,431,000

| | <u>Appropriations by Fund</u> | |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| | <u>2024</u> | <u>2025</u> |
| 4.30 | | |
| 4.31 <u>General</u> | <u>8,707,000</u> | <u>1,741,000</u> |
| 4.32 <u>Airports</u> | <u>6,690,000</u> | <u>6,690,000</u> |

4.33 \$7,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 4.34 general fund to purchase two utility aircraft
 4.35 for the Department of Transportation.

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| 5.1 | <u>(3) Civil Air Patrol</u> | <u>80,000</u> | <u>80,000</u> |
| 5.2 | <u>This appropriation is from the state airports</u> | | |
| 5.3 | <u>fund for the Civil Air Patrol.</u> | | |
| 5.4 | <u>(b) Transit and Active Transportation</u> | <u>86,278,000</u> | <u>18,324,000</u> |
| 5.5 | <u>This appropriation is from the general fund.</u> | | |
| 5.6 | <u>\$68,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is for</u> | | |
| 5.7 | <u>matching federal aid, related state investments,</u> | | |
| 5.8 | <u>and appropriate costs incurred by the</u> | | |
| 5.9 | <u>department to carry out the provisions of this</u> | | |
| 5.10 | <u>section. This is a onetime appropriation and</u> | | |
| 5.11 | <u>is available until June 30, 2027.</u> | | |
| 5.12 | <u>(c) Safe Routes to School</u> | <u>15,297,000</u> | <u>10,500,000</u> |
| 5.13 | <u>This appropriation is from the general fund</u> | | |
| 5.14 | <u>for the safe routes to school program under</u> | | |
| 5.15 | <u>Minnesota Statutes, section 174.40.</u> | | |
| 5.16 | <u>If the appropriation for either year is</u> | | |
| 5.17 | <u>insufficient, the appropriation for the other</u> | | |
| 5.18 | <u>year is available for it. The appropriations in</u> | | |
| 5.19 | <u>each year are available until June 30, 2027.</u> | | |
| 5.20 | <u>The base for this appropriation is \$1,345,000</u> | | |
| 5.21 | <u>in each of fiscal years 2026 and 2027.</u> | | |
| 5.22 | <u>(d) Passenger Rail</u> | <u>52,455,000</u> | <u>3,860,000</u> |
| 5.23 | <u>This appropriation is from the general fund</u> | | |
| 5.24 | <u>for passenger rail activities under Minnesota</u> | | |
| 5.25 | <u>Statutes, sections 174.632 to 174.636.</u> | | |
| 5.26 | <u>\$1,955,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$3,360,000</u> | | |
| 5.27 | <u>in fiscal year 2025 are to provide a match to</u> | | |
| 5.28 | <u>federal aid for capital and operating costs for</u> | | |
| 5.29 | <u>expanded Amtrak service between the Twin</u> | | |
| 5.30 | <u>Cities and Chicago. The base for this</u> | | |
| 5.31 | <u>appropriation is \$4,876,000 in each of fiscal</u> | | |
| 5.32 | <u>years 2026 and 2027.</u> | | |

6.1 \$50,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is for capital
 6.2 improvements and betterments, including
 6.3 preliminary engineering, design, engineering,
 6.4 environmental analysis and mitigation,
 6.5 acquisition of land and right-of-way, and
 6.6 construction of the Minneapolis-Duluth
 6.7 Northern Lights Express intercity passenger
 6.8 rail project. This appropriation may be used
 6.9 to maximize nonstate funding for the purposes
 6.10 of this paragraph. This is a onetime
 6.11 appropriation and is available until December
 6.12 31, 2027.

6.13 (e) Freight 11,579,000 8,566,000

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| 6.14 | <u>Appropriations by Fund</u> | | |
| 6.15 | | <u>2024</u> | <u>2025</u> |
| 6.16 | <u>General</u> | <u>5,212,000</u> | <u>1,900,000</u> |
| 6.17 | <u>Trunk Highway</u> | <u>6,367,000</u> | <u>6,666,000</u> |

6.18 \$500,000 each year is from the general fund
 6.19 for weigh station operations and capital
 6.20 improvements.

6.21 \$2,429,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 6.22 general fund for matching federal aid grants
 6.23 for improvements, engineering, and
 6.24 administrative costs for the Stone Arch Bridge
 6.25 in Minneapolis. This is a onetime
 6.26 appropriation and is available until June 30,
 6.27 2027.

6.28 \$974,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 6.29 general fund for procurement costs of a
 6.30 statewide freight network optimization tool
 6.31 under Laws 2021, First Special Session
 6.32 chapter 5, article 4, section 133. This is a
 6.33 onetime appropriation and is available until
 6.34 June 30, 2025.

7.1 **Subd. 3. State Roads**

7.2 **(a) Operations and Maintenance** 415,137,000 425,258,000

7.3 Appropriations by Fund

7.4 2024 2025

7.5 General 3,000,000 -0-

7.6 Trunk Highway 412,137,000 425,258,000

7.7 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
7.8 general fund for the highways for habitat
7.9 program under Minnesota Statutes, section
7.10 160.2325.

7.11 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
7.12 general fund for living snow fence
7.13 implementation, including: acquiring and
7.14 planting trees, shrubs, native grasses, and
7.15 wildflowers that are climate adaptive to
7.16 Minnesota; improvements; contracts;
7.17 easements; rental agreements; and program
7.18 delivery.

7.19 \$165,000 in each year is for living snow fence
7.20 implementation and maintenance activities.

7.21 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
7.22 general fund for safe road zones under
7.23 Minnesota Statutes, section 169.065, including
7.24 for development and delivery of public
7.25 awareness and education campaigns about safe
7.26 road zones.

7.27 The base for the appropriation from the trunk
7.28 highway fund is \$436,258,000 in each of fiscal
7.29 years 2026 and 2027.

7.30 **(b) Program Planning and Delivery**

7.31 **(1) Planning and Research** 32,679,000 33,465,000

7.32 The commissioner may use any balance
7.33 remaining in this appropriation for program
7.34 delivery under clause (2).

8.1 \$130,000 in each year is available for
8.2 administrative costs of the targeted group
8.3 business program.

8.4 \$266,000 in each year is available for grants
8.5 to metropolitan planning organizations outside
8.6 the seven-county metropolitan area.

8.7 \$900,000 in each year is available for grants
8.8 for transportation studies outside the
8.9 metropolitan area to identify critical concerns,
8.10 problems, and issues. These grants are
8.11 available: (i) to regional development
8.12 commissions; (ii) in regions where no regional
8.13 development commission is functioning, to
8.14 joint powers boards established under
8.15 agreement of two or more political
8.16 subdivisions in the region to exercise the
8.17 planning functions of a regional development
8.18 commission; and (iii) in regions where no
8.19 regional development commission or joint
8.20 powers board is functioning, to the Department
8.21 of Transportation district office for that region.

8.22 The base for this appropriation is \$34,465,000
8.23 in each of fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

8.24 **(2) Program Delivery** 284,751,000 273,985,000

| | <u>Appropriations by Fund</u> | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| | <u>2024</u> | <u>2025</u> |
| 8.26 <u>General</u> | <u>23,743,000</u> | <u>2,000,000</u> |
| 8.27 <u>Trunk Highway</u> | <u>261,008,000</u> | <u>271,985,000</u> |

8.29 This appropriation includes use of consultants
8.30 to support development and management of
8.31 projects.

8.32 \$20,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
8.33 general fund for roadway design and related
8.34 improvements that reduce speeds and

9.1 eliminate intersection interactions on rural
9.2 high-risk roadways. The commissioner must
9.3 identify roadways based on crash information
9.4 and in consultation with Toward Zero Deaths
9.5 program representatives and local traffic safety
9.6 partners. This is a onetime appropriation and
9.7 is available until June 30, 2026.

9.8 \$2,000,000 in each year is from the general
9.9 fund for implementation of climate-related
9.10 programs as provided under the federal
9.11 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Public
9.12 Law 117-58.

9.13 \$1,193,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
9.14 general fund for costs related to the property
9.15 conveyance to the Upper Sioux Community
9.16 of state-owned land within the boundaries of
9.17 Upper Sioux Agency State Park, including fee
9.18 purchase, property purchase, appraisals, and
9.19 road and bridge demolition and related
9.20 engineering.

9.21 \$300,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
9.22 general fund for additions and modifications
9.23 to work zone design or layout to reduce
9.24 vehicle speeds in a work zone. This
9.25 appropriation is available following a
9.26 determination by the commissioner that the
9.27 initial work zone design or layout
9.28 insufficiently provides for reduced vehicle
9.29 speeds.

9.30 \$250,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
9.31 general fund for costs related to the Clean
9.32 Transportation Standard and Sustainable
9.33 Aviation Fuel Working Group established
9.34 under article 8, section 57.

10.1 \$1,000,000 in each year is available for
10.2 management of contaminated and regulated
10.3 material on property owned by the Department
10.4 of Transportation, including mitigation of
10.5 property conveyances, facility acquisition or
10.6 expansion, chemical release at maintenance
10.7 facilities, and spills on the trunk highway
10.8 system where there is no known responsible
10.9 party. If the appropriation for either year is
10.10 insufficient, the appropriation for the other
10.11 year is available for it.

10.12 The base for the appropriation from the trunk
10.13 highway fund is \$278,985,000 in each of fiscal
10.14 years 2026 and 2027.

10.15 **(c) State Road Construction** 1,205,213,000 1,177,795,000

10.16 This appropriation is for the actual
10.17 construction, reconstruction, and improvement
10.18 of trunk highways, including design-build
10.19 contracts, internal department costs associated
10.20 with delivering the construction program,
10.21 consultant usage to support these activities,
10.22 and the cost of actual payments to landowners
10.23 for lands acquired for highway rights-of-way,
10.24 payment to lessees, interest subsidies, and
10.25 relocation expenses.

10.26 This appropriation includes federal highway
10.27 aid. The commissioner of transportation must
10.28 notify the chairs, ranking minority members,
10.29 and staff of the legislative committees with
10.30 jurisdiction over transportation finance of any
10.31 significant events that cause the estimates of
10.32 federal aid to change.

10.33 The commissioner may expend up to one-half
10.34 of one percent of the federal appropriations

11.1 under this paragraph as grants to opportunity
11.2 industrialization centers and other nonprofit
11.3 job training centers for job training programs
11.4 related to highway construction.

11.5 The commissioner may transfer up to
11.6 \$15,000,000 in each year to the transportation
11.7 revolving loan fund.

11.8 The commissioner may receive money
11.9 covering other shares of the cost of partnership
11.10 projects. These receipts are appropriated to
11.11 the commissioner for these projects.

11.12 The base for this appropriation is
11.13 \$1,165,313,000 in each of fiscal years 2026
11.14 and 2027.

11.15 **(d) Corridors of Commerce** 25,000,000 28,750,000

11.16 This appropriation is for the corridors of
11.17 commerce program under Minnesota Statutes,
11.18 section 161.088. The commissioner may use
11.19 up to 17 percent of the amount in each year
11.20 for program delivery.

11.21 The base for this appropriation is \$28,500,000
11.22 in each of fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

11.23 **(e) Highway Debt Service** 267,808,000 291,004,000

11.24 \$264,808,000 in fiscal year 2024 and
11.25 \$288,004,000 in fiscal year 2025 are for
11.26 transfer to the state bond fund. If this
11.27 appropriation is insufficient to make all
11.28 transfers required in the year for which it is
11.29 made, the commissioner of management and
11.30 budget must transfer the deficiency amount
11.31 as provided under Minnesota Statutes, section
11.32 16A.641, and notify the chairs, ranking
11.33 minority members, and staff of the legislative

12.1 committees with jurisdiction over
 12.2 transportation finance and the chairs of the
 12.3 senate Finance Committee and the house of
 12.4 representatives Ways and Means Committee
 12.5 of the amount of the deficiency. Any excess
 12.6 appropriation cancels to the trunk highway
 12.7 fund.

12.8 **(f) Statewide Radio Communications** 8,653,000 6,907,000

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| 12.9 | <u>Appropriations by Fund</u> | | |
| 12.10 | | <u>2024</u> | <u>2025</u> |
| 12.11 | <u>General</u> | <u>2,003,000</u> | <u>3,000</u> |
| 12.12 | <u>Trunk Highway</u> | <u>6,650,000</u> | <u>6,904,000</u> |

12.13 \$3,000 in each year is from the general fund
 12.14 to equip and operate the Roosevelt signal
 12.15 tower for Lake of the Woods weather
 12.16 broadcasting.

12.17 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 12.18 general fund for Allied Radio Matrix for
 12.19 Emergency Response (ARMER) tower
 12.20 building improvements and replacement.

12.21 **Subd. 4. Local Roads**

12.22 **(a) County State-Aid Highways** 969,591,000 1,037,261,000

12.23 This appropriation is from the county state-aid
 12.24 highway fund under Minnesota Statutes,
 12.25 sections 161.081 and 297A.815, subdivision
 12.26 3, and chapter 162, and is available until June
 12.27 30, 2033.

12.28 If the commissioner of transportation
 12.29 determines that a balance remains in the
 12.30 county state-aid highway fund following the
 12.31 appropriations and transfers made in this
 12.32 paragraph and that the appropriations made
 12.33 are insufficient for advancing county state-aid
 12.34 highway projects, an amount necessary to

13.1 advance the projects, not to exceed the balance
13.2 in the county state-aid highway fund, is
13.3 appropriated in each year to the commissioner.
13.4 Within two weeks of a determination under
13.5 this contingent appropriation, the
13.6 commissioner of transportation must notify
13.7 the commissioner of management and budget
13.8 and the chairs, ranking minority members, and
13.9 staff of the legislative committees with
13.10 jurisdiction over transportation finance
13.11 concerning funds appropriated. The governor
13.12 must identify in the next budget submission
13.13 to the legislature under Minnesota Statutes,
13.14 section 16A.11, any amount that is
13.15 appropriated under this paragraph.

13.16 **(b) Municipal State-Aid Streets** 235,757,000 247,087,000

13.17 This appropriation is from the municipal
13.18 state-aid street fund under Minnesota Statutes,
13.19 chapter 162, and is available until June 30,
13.20 2033.

13.21 If the commissioner of transportation
13.22 determines that a balance remains in the
13.23 municipal state-aid street fund following the
13.24 appropriations and transfers made in this
13.25 paragraph and that the appropriations made
13.26 are insufficient for advancing municipal
13.27 state-aid street projects, an amount necessary
13.28 to advance the projects, not to exceed the
13.29 balance in the municipal state-aid street fund,
13.30 is appropriated in each year to the
13.31 commissioner. Within two weeks of a
13.32 determination under this contingent
13.33 appropriation, the commissioner of
13.34 transportation must notify the commissioner
13.35 of management and budget and the chairs,

14.1 ranking minority members, and staff of the
 14.2 legislative committees with jurisdiction over
 14.3 transportation finance concerning funds
 14.4 appropriated. The governor must identify in
 14.5 the next budget submission to the legislature
 14.6 under Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.11, any
 14.7 amount that is appropriated under this
 14.8 paragraph.

14.9 **(c) Other Local Roads**

14.10 **(1) Local Bridges** 45,000,000 -0-

14.11 This appropriation is from the general fund to
 14.12 replace or rehabilitate local deficient bridges
 14.13 under Minnesota Statutes, section 174.50. This
 14.14 is a onetime appropriation and is available
 14.15 until June 30, 2027.

14.16 **(2) Local Road Improvement** 45,000,000 -0-

14.17 This appropriation is from the general fund
 14.18 for construction and reconstruction of local
 14.19 roads under Minnesota Statutes, section
 14.20 174.52. This is a onetime appropriation and
 14.21 is available until June 30, 2027.

14.22 **(3) Local Transportation Disaster Support**
 14.23 **Account** 4,300,000 1,000,000

14.24 This appropriation is from the general fund to
 14.25 provide a cost-share for federal assistance
 14.26 from the Federal Highway Administration for
 14.27 the emergency relief program under United
 14.28 States Code, title 23, section 125. Of the
 14.29 appropriation in fiscal year 2024, \$3,300,000
 14.30 is onetime and is available until June 30, 2027.

14.31 **Subd. 5. Agency Management**

14.32 **(a) Agency Services** 313,666,000 85,228,000

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| 15.1 | <u>Appropriations by Fund</u> | | |
| 15.2 | | <u>2024</u> | <u>2025</u> |
| 15.3 | <u>General</u> | <u>237,639,000</u> | <u>4,151,000</u> |
| 15.4 | <u>Trunk Highway</u> | <u>76,027,000</u> | <u>81,077,000</u> |

15.5 \$216,400,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 15.6 general fund for match requirements for
 15.7 federal formula and discretionary grant
 15.8 programs. From this amount, the
 15.9 commissioner may make grants to any eligible
 15.10 applicant for match requirements and pay for
 15.11 costs incurred by the department in providing
 15.12 technical assistance to eligible applicants for
 15.13 federal discretionary grant programs. Of this
 15.14 amount, \$100,000,000 is for grants to local
 15.15 governments to meet federal match
 15.16 requirements. This is a onetime appropriation
 15.17 and is available until June 30, 2027.

15.18 \$13,790,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$190,000
 15.19 in fiscal year 2025 are from the general fund
 15.20 for matching federal aid, related state
 15.21 investments, and appropriate costs incurred
 15.22 by the department, including staff costs, to
 15.23 carry out the electric vehicle infrastructure
 15.24 program under Minnesota Statutes, section
 15.25 174.47. Of this appropriation, \$13,600,000 in
 15.26 fiscal year 2024 is onetime and is available
 15.27 until June 30, 2027.

15.28 \$900,000 in each year is from the general fund
 15.29 for the purpose of establishing a Tribal affairs
 15.30 workforce training program related to the
 15.31 construction industry. The commissioner may
 15.32 enter into an agreement with any private,
 15.33 public, or Tribal entity for the planning,
 15.34 designing, developing, delivery, and hosting
 15.35 of the program. The commissioner may use

16.1 this appropriation to pay for reasonable
 16.2 administration costs of the program.
 16.3 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 16.4 general fund for federal transportation grants
 16.5 technical assistance under article 8, section
 16.6 59. This is a onetime appropriation and is
 16.7 available until June 30, 2027.
 16.8 \$3,500,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$2,000,000
 16.9 in fiscal year 2025 are from the general fund
 16.10 for investments in asset management
 16.11 technologies, document and data transfer
 16.12 programs, research project management, and
 16.13 other information technology projects.

16.14 **(b) Buildings** 40,790,000 41,120,000

| | <u>Appropriations by Fund</u> | |
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| | <u>2024</u> | <u>2025</u> |
| 16.16 <u>General</u> | <u>55,000</u> | <u>55,000</u> |
| 16.17 <u>Trunk Highway</u> | <u>40,735,000</u> | <u>41,065,000</u> |

16.19 Any money appropriated to the commissioner
 16.20 of transportation for building construction for
 16.21 any fiscal year before fiscal year 2024 is
 16.22 available to the commissioner during the
 16.23 biennium to the extent that the commissioner
 16.24 spends the money on the building construction
 16.25 projects for which the money was originally
 16.26 encumbered during the fiscal year for which
 16.27 it was appropriated. If the appropriation for
 16.28 either year is insufficient, the appropriation
 16.29 for the other year is available for it.

16.30 **(c) Tort Claims** 600,000 600,000

16.31 If the appropriation for either year is
 16.32 insufficient, the appropriation for the other
 16.33 year is available for it.

17.1 Subd. 6. Transfers

17.2 (a) With the approval of the commissioner of
17.3 management and budget, the commissioner
17.4 of transportation may transfer unencumbered
17.5 balances among the appropriations from the
17.6 trunk highway fund and the state airports fund
17.7 made in this section. Transfers under this
17.8 paragraph must not be made: (1) between
17.9 funds; (2) from the appropriations for state
17.10 road construction or debt service; or (3) from
17.11 the appropriations for operations and
17.12 maintenance or program delivery, except for
17.13 a transfer to state road construction or debt
17.14 service.

17.15 (b) The commissioner of transportation must
17.16 immediately report transfers under paragraph
17.17 (a) to the chairs, ranking minority members,
17.18 and staff of the legislative committees with
17.19 jurisdiction over transportation finance. The
17.20 authority for the commissioner of
17.21 transportation to make transfers under
17.22 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.285, is
17.23 superseded by the authority and requirements
17.24 under this subdivision.

17.25 (c) The commissioner of transportation must
17.26 transfer from the flexible highway account in
17.27 the county state-aid highway fund:

17.28 (1) \$1,850,000 in fiscal year 2024 to the trunk
17.29 highway fund;

17.30 (2) \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 to the
17.31 municipal turnback account in the municipal
17.32 state-aid street fund; and

- 18.1 (3) the remainder in each year to the county
18.2 turnback account in the county state-aid
18.3 highway fund.
- 18.4 The funds transferred are for highway
18.5 turnback purposes as provided under
18.6 Minnesota Statutes, section 161.081,
18.7 subdivision 3.
- 18.8 **Subd. 7. Contingent Appropriations**
- 18.9 The commissioner of transportation, with the
18.10 approval of the governor and the written
18.11 approval of at least five members of a group
18.12 consisting of the members of the Legislative
18.13 Advisory Commission under Minnesota
18.14 Statutes, section 3.30, and the ranking minority
18.15 members of the legislative committees with
18.16 jurisdiction over transportation finance, may
18.17 transfer all or part of the unappropriated
18.18 balance in the trunk highway fund to an
18.19 appropriation: (1) for trunk highway design,
18.20 construction, or inspection in order to take
18.21 advantage of an unanticipated receipt of
18.22 income to the trunk highway fund or to take
18.23 advantage of federal advanced construction
18.24 funding; (2) for trunk highway maintenance
18.25 in order to meet an emergency; or (3) to pay
18.26 tort or environmental claims. Nothing in this
18.27 subdivision authorizes the commissioner to
18.28 increase the use of federal advanced
18.29 construction funding beyond amounts
18.30 specifically authorized. Any transfer as a result
18.31 of the use of federal advanced construction
18.32 funding must include an analysis of the effects
18.33 on the long-term trunk highway fund balance.
18.34 The amount transferred is appropriated for the

19.1 purpose of the account to which it is
19.2 transferred.

19.3 **Sec. 3. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL**

19.4 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation \$ 139,630,000 \$ 88,630,000**

19.5 The appropriations in this section are from the
19.6 general fund to the Metropolitan Council.

19.7 The amounts that may be spent for each
19.8 purpose are specified in the following
19.9 subdivisions.

19.10 **Subd. 2. Transit System Operations 83,654,000 32,654,000**

19.11 This appropriation is for transit system
19.12 operations under Minnesota Statutes, sections
19.13 473.371 to 473.449.

19.14 \$50,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is for a grant
19.15 to Hennepin County for the Blue Line light
19.16 rail transit extension project, including but not
19.17 limited to predesign, design, engineering,
19.18 environmental analysis and mitigation,
19.19 right-of-way acquisition, construction, and
19.20 acquisition of rolling stock. This is a onetime
19.21 appropriation and is available until June 30,
19.22 2030.

19.23 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is for the
19.24 metropolitan land use and transportation policy
19.25 study under article 6, section 37.

19.26 **Subd. 3. Metro Mobility 55,976,000 55,976,000**

19.27 This appropriation is for Metro Mobility under
19.28 Minnesota Statutes, section 473.386.

19.29 **Sec. 4. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

19.30 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation \$ 285,693,000 \$ 274,581,000**

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| 19.31 | <u>Appropriations by Fund</u> | |
| 19.32 | <u>2024</u> | <u>2025</u> |

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| 20.1 | <u>General</u> | <u>49,796,000</u> | <u>31,672,000</u> |
| 20.2 | <u>H.U.T.D.</u> | <u>1,336,000</u> | <u>1,378,000</u> |
| 20.3 | <u>Special Revenue</u> | <u>69,495,000</u> | <u>70,583,000</u> |
| 20.4 | <u>Trunk Highway</u> | <u>165,066,000</u> | <u>170,948,000</u> |

20.5 The appropriations in this section are to the
20.6 commissioner of public safety.

20.7 The amounts that may be spent for each
20.8 purpose are specified in the following
20.9 subdivisions. The commissioner must spend
20.10 appropriations from the trunk highway fund
20.11 in subdivision 3 only for state patrol purposes.

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

20.13 **(a) Office of Communications** 786,000 928,000

20.14 This appropriation is from the general fund.

20.15 **(b) Public Safety Support** 7,684,000 8,755,000

20.16 Appropriations by Fund

| | <u>2024</u> | <u>2025</u> |
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| 20.17 | | |
| 20.18 | <u>2,757,000</u> | <u>3,546,000</u> |
| 20.19 | <u>4,927,000</u> | <u>5,209,000</u> |

20.20 **(c) Public Safety Officer Survivor Benefits** 640,000 640,000

20.21 This appropriation is from the general fund
20.22 for payment of public safety officer survivor
20.23 benefits under Minnesota Statutes, section
20.24 299A.44. If the appropriation for either year
20.25 is insufficient, the appropriation for the other
20.26 year is available for it.

20.27 **(d) Public Safety Officer Reimbursements** 1,367,000 1,367,000

20.28 This appropriation is from the general fund
20.29 for transfer to the public safety officer's benefit
20.30 account. This money is available for
20.31 reimbursements under Minnesota Statutes,
20.32 section 299A.465.

20.33 **(e) Soft Body Armor Reimbursements** 745,000 745,000

21.1 This appropriation is from the general fund
 21.2 for soft body armor reimbursements under
 21.3 Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.38.

21.4 **(f) Technology and Support Services** 6,712,000 6,783,000

21.5 Appropriations by Fund

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| 21.6 | | <u>2024</u> | <u>2025</u> |
| 21.7 | <u>General</u> | <u>1,645,000</u> | <u>1,684,000</u> |
| 21.8 | <u>Trunk Highway</u> | <u>5,067,000</u> | <u>5,099,000</u> |

21.9 **Subd. 3. State Patrol**

21.10 **(a) Patrolling Highways** 154,044,000 141,731,000

21.11 Appropriations by Fund

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| 21.12 | | <u>2024</u> | <u>2025</u> |
| 21.13 | <u>General</u> | <u>14,887,000</u> | <u>37,000</u> |
| 21.14 | <u>H.U.T.D.</u> | <u>92,000</u> | <u>92,000</u> |
| 21.15 | <u>Trunk Highway</u> | <u>139,065,000</u> | <u>141,602,000</u> |

21.16 \$350,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 21.17 general fund for predesign of a State Patrol
 21.18 headquarters building and related storage and
 21.19 training facilities. The commissioner of public
 21.20 safety must work with the commissioner of
 21.21 administration to complete the predesign. This
 21.22 is a onetime appropriation and is available
 21.23 until June 30, 2027.

21.24 \$14,500,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 21.25 general fund to purchase a helicopter for the
 21.26 State Patrol. This is a onetime appropriation
 21.27 and is available until June 30, 2025.

21.28 \$2,300,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 21.29 trunk highway fund to purchase a Cirrus single
 21.30 engine airplane for the State Patrol. This is a
 21.31 onetime appropriation and is available until
 21.32 June 30, 2025.

21.33 \$611,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$352,000 in
 21.34 fiscal year 2025 are from the trunk highway

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| 22.1 | <u>fund to support the State Patrol's accreditation</u> | | |
| 22.2 | <u>process under the Commission on</u> | | |
| 22.3 | <u>Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies.</u> | | |
| 22.4 | <u>(b) Commercial Vehicle Enforcement</u> | <u>15,446,000</u> | <u>18,423,000</u> |
| 22.5 | <u>\$2,948,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$5,248,000</u> | | |
| 22.6 | <u>in fiscal year 2025 are from the trunk highway</u> | | |
| 22.7 | <u>fund to provide the required match for federal</u> | | |
| 22.8 | <u>grants for additional troopers and nonsworn</u> | | |
| 22.9 | <u>commercial vehicle inspectors.</u> | | |
| 22.10 | <u>(c) Capitol Security</u> | <u>18,666,000</u> | <u>19,231,000</u> |
| 22.11 | <u>This appropriation is from the general fund.</u> | | |
| 22.12 | <u>The commissioner must not:</u> | | |
| 22.13 | <u>(1) spend any money from the trunk highway</u> | | |
| 22.14 | <u>fund for capitol security; or</u> | | |
| 22.15 | <u>(2) permanently transfer any state trooper from</u> | | |
| 22.16 | <u>the patrolling highways activity to capitol</u> | | |
| 22.17 | <u>security.</u> | | |
| 22.18 | <u>The commissioner must not transfer any</u> | | |
| 22.19 | <u>money appropriated to the commissioner under</u> | | |
| 22.20 | <u>this section:</u> | | |
| 22.21 | <u>(1) to capitol security; or</u> | | |
| 22.22 | <u>(2) from capitol security.</u> | | |
| 22.23 | <u>(d) Vehicle Crimes Unit</u> | <u>1,244,000</u> | <u>1,286,000</u> |
| 22.24 | <u>This appropriation is from the highway user</u> | | |
| 22.25 | <u>tax distribution fund to investigate:</u> | | |
| 22.26 | <u>(1) registration tax and motor vehicle sales tax</u> | | |
| 22.27 | <u>liabilities from individuals and businesses that</u> | | |
| 22.28 | <u>currently do not pay all taxes owed; and</u> | | |
| 22.29 | <u>(2) illegal or improper activity related to the</u> | | |
| 22.30 | <u>sale, transfer, titling, and registration of motor</u> | | |
| 22.31 | <u>vehicles.</u> | | |

23.1 Subd. 4. Driver and Vehicle Services

23.2 (a) Driver Services 39,959,000 40,544,000

23.3 This appropriation is from the driver and
23.4 vehicle services operating account under
23.5 Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.705.
23.6 \$750,000 in fiscal year 2024 is for
23.7 reimbursement to driver's license agents for
23.8 the purchase of equipment necessary for a
23.9 full-service provider, as defined in Minnesota
23.10 Statutes, section 171.01, subdivision 33a,
23.11 following application to the commissioner.
23.12 The commissioner may provide no more than
23.13 \$15,000 to each driver's license agent.

23.14 \$115,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$109,000 in
23.15 fiscal year 2025 are for staff costs to manage,
23.16 review, and audit online driver education
23.17 programs.

23.18 \$262,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$81,000 in
23.19 fiscal year 2025 are for implementation of race
23.20 and ethnicity information collection from
23.21 applicants for drivers' licenses and
23.22 identification cards.

23.23 (b) Vehicle Services 28,093,000 28,596,000

23.24 This appropriation is from the driver and
23.25 vehicle services operating account under
23.26 Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.705.
23.27 \$1,600,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$1,300,000
23.28 in fiscal year 2025 are for staff and operating
23.29 costs related to additional vehicle inspection
23.30 sites.

23.31 \$101,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$96,000 in
23.32 fiscal year 2025 are for staff costs related to

24.1 monitoring and auditing records issued by
 24.2 full-service providers.
 24.3 \$57,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$51,000 in
 24.4 fiscal year 2025 are for an appeals process for
 24.5 information technology system data access
 24.6 revocations, including costs of staff and
 24.7 equipment.

24.8 **Subd. 5. Traffic Safety** 8,864,000 4,109,000

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| 24.9 | <u>Appropriations by Fund</u> | |
| 24.10 | <u>2024</u> | <u>2025</u> |
| 24.11 | <u>8,303,000</u> | <u>3,494,000</u> |
| 24.12 | <u>561,000</u> | <u>615,000</u> |

24.13 \$2,000,000 in each year is from the general
 24.14 fund for the administration of the Traffic
 24.15 Safety Advisory Council under Minnesota
 24.16 Statutes, section 4.076, including staff costs.
 24.17 \$407,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$813,000 in
 24.18 fiscal year 2025 are from the general fund for
 24.19 staff and operating costs to create a Traffic
 24.20 Safety Data Analytics Center.

24.21 \$50,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the general
 24.22 fund for an education and awareness campaign
 24.23 on motor vehicles passing school buses,
 24.24 designed to: (1) help reduce occurrences of
 24.25 motor vehicles unlawfully passing school
 24.26 buses; and (2) inform drivers about the safety
 24.27 of pupils boarding and unloading from school
 24.28 buses, including laws requiring a motor
 24.29 vehicle to stop when a school bus has extended
 24.30 the stop-signal arm and is flashing red lights
 24.31 and penalties for violations. The commissioner
 24.32 must identify best practices, review effective
 24.33 communication methods to educate drivers,

- 25.1 and consider multiple forms of media to
25.2 convey the information.
- 25.3 \$100,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
25.4 general fund for a public awareness campaign
25.5 to promote understanding and compliance with
25.6 laws regarding the passing of parked
25.7 authorized vehicles.
- 25.8 \$98,000 in each year is from the general fund
25.9 to coordinate a statewide traffic safety equity
25.10 program, including staff costs.
- 25.11 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
25.12 general fund for grants to law enforcement
25.13 agencies to undertake targeted speed reduction
25.14 efforts on rural high-risk roadways.
- 25.15 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is for grants to
25.16 local units of government to increase traffic
25.17 safety enforcement activities, including for
25.18 training, equipment, overtime, and related
25.19 costs for peace officers to perform duties that
25.20 are specifically related to traffic management
25.21 and traffic safety.
- 25.22 \$350,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
25.23 general fund for grants to local units of
25.24 government for safe ride programs that
25.25 provide safe transportation options for patrons
25.26 of hospitality and entertainment businesses
25.27 within a community.
- 25.28 \$500,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
25.29 general fund for grants to local units of
25.30 government to perform additional traffic safety
25.31 enforcement activities in safe road zones under
25.32 Minnesota Statutes, section 169.065.
- 25.33 \$250,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
25.34 general fund for the traffic safety violations

26.1 disposition analysis under article 8, section

26.2 64.

26.3 **Subd. 6. Pipeline Safety**

1,443,000

1,443,000

26.4 This appropriation is from the pipeline safety

26.5 account in the special revenue fund under

26.6 Minnesota Statutes, section 299J.18.

26.7 **Sec. 5. APPROPRIATION CANCELLATIONS.**

26.8 (a) \$4,797,000 of the appropriation in fiscal year 2022 for safe routes to school under
26.9 Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, paragraph
26.10 (c), is canceled to the general fund on June 29, 2023.

26.11 (b) \$974,000 of the appropriation from the general fund in fiscal year 2022 for freight
26.12 under Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2,
26.13 paragraph (e), is canceled to the general fund on June 29, 2023.

26.14 (c) \$15,000 of the appropriation in fiscal year 2022 and \$15,000 of the appropriation in
26.15 fiscal year 2023 to the commissioner of employment and economic development from the
26.16 general fund under Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article 1, section 7, is canceled
26.17 to the general fund on June 29, 2023.

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

26.19 **Sec. 6. APPROPRIATION; SMALL COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS.**

26.20 (a) \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated
26.21 from the general fund to the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota for small
26.22 community partnerships on infrastructure project analysis and development as provided in
26.23 this section. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2026.

26.24 (b) The appropriation under this section must be used for:

26.25 (1) partnership activities in the Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships, the
26.26 Center for Transportation Studies, the Minnesota Design Center, the Humphrey School of
26.27 Public Affairs, the Center for Urban and Regional Affairs, or other related entities;

26.28 (2) support and assistance to small communities that includes:

26.29 (i) methods to incorporate consideration of sustainability, resiliency, and adaptation to
26.30 the impacts of climate change; and

27.1 (ii) identification and cross-sector analysis of any potential associated projects and
27.2 efficiencies through coordinated investments in other infrastructure or assets; and

27.3 (3) prioritization of support and assistance to political subdivisions and federally
27.4 recognized Tribal governments based on insufficiency of capacity to undertake project
27.5 development and apply for state or federal infrastructure grants.

27.6 (c) The agreement may provide for project analysis and development activities that
27.7 include but are not limited to planning, scoping, analysis, predesign, design, preengineering,
27.8 and engineering.

27.9 **Sec. 7. APPROPRIATION; STATE PATROL OPERATING DEFICIENCY.**

27.10 (a) \$6,728,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the trunk highway fund to the
27.11 commissioner of public safety for State Patrol operating costs. This is a onetime appropriation
27.12 and is available until December 31, 2023.

27.13 (b) \$106,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the highway user tax distribution
27.14 fund to the commissioner of public safety for the State Patrol Vehicle Crimes Unit. This is
27.15 a onetime appropriation and is available until December 31, 2023.

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

27.17 **Sec. 8. APPROPRIATION; TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT**

27.18 **ORGANIZATIONS.**

27.19 (a) \$300,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$300,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from
27.20 the general fund to the commissioner of transportation for grants to the I-494 Corridor
27.21 Commission to provide telework resources, assistance, information, and related activities
27.22 on a statewide basis.

27.23 (b) \$300,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$300,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from
27.24 the general fund to the commissioner of transportation for grants to the St. Paul transportation
27.25 management organization. The organization must provide public education and information
27.26 to support a reduction in vehicle miles traveled throughout the metropolitan area.

27.27 (c) \$103,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$103,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from
27.28 the general fund to the commissioner of transportation for grants to the downtown
27.29 Minneapolis transportation management organization. Programs funded with this
27.30 appropriation must include but are not limited to a hybrid commuter education pilot program.

28.1 (d) \$350,000 in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
28.2 of transportation for grants to the city of Chatfield to develop a transportation management
28.3 organization in southeastern Minnesota. Funds under this paragraph are available for
28.4 developing a comprehensive assessment and financial plan for a transportation management
28.5 organization in the counties of Rice, Goodhue, Dodge, Steele, Wabasha, Olmsted, Winona,
28.6 Freeborn, Mower, Fillmore, and Houston. The study must assess how the transportation
28.7 management organization can develop resources to meet the region's growing and changing
28.8 transportation needs and prioritize transportation-related challenges that affect the region's
28.9 workforce, access to health care and postsecondary education, and quality of life.

28.10 (e) Funds under paragraphs (a) to (c) are available for programming and service expansion
28.11 to assist companies and commuters with carpool, vanpool, bicycle commuting, telework,
28.12 and transit.

28.13 (f) The commissioner must not retain any portion of the appropriations under this section.

28.14 Sec. 9. Laws 2018, chapter 214, article 1, section 16, subdivision 11, as amended by Laws
28.15 2019, chapter 2, article 2, section 4, is amended to read:

28.16 **Subd. 11. Corridors of Commerce** 400,000,000

28.17 (a) From the bond proceeds account in the
28.18 trunk highway fund for the corridors of
28.19 commerce program under Minnesota Statutes,
28.20 section 161.088.

28.21 (b) This appropriation is available in the
28.22 amounts of:

28.23 (1) \$150,000,000 in fiscal year 2022;

28.24 (2) \$150,000,000 in fiscal year 2023; and

28.25 (3) \$100,000,000 in fiscal year 2024.

28.26 (c) The commissioner must select projects for
28.27 the corridors of commerce program solely
28.28 using the results of the spring 2018 evaluation
28.29 for the corridors of commerce program, in
28.30 order based on total score. In addition to the
28.31 projects selected for funding in the first round
28.32 from the spring 2018 evaluation, the

29.1 commissioner must select at least two projects
29.2 located outside the Department of
29.3 Transportation metropolitan district. If funds
29.4 are insufficient for an identified project, the
29.5 commissioner must either select the identified
29.6 project, or select one or more alternative
29.7 projects that are (1) for a segment within the
29.8 project limits of the identified project; and (2)
29.9 also identified and scored in the spring 2018
29.10 evaluation process. For projects located
29.11 outside the Department of Transportation
29.12 metropolitan district, the commissioner must
29.13 not select a project located in a county within
29.14 which a project was selected for funding in
29.15 the first round in the spring 2018 evaluation
29.16 for the corridors of commerce program.

29.17 (d) Notwithstanding the project selection
29.18 requirements under paragraph (c), any
29.19 remaining amount of this appropriation is for
29.20 pre-design, design, engineering, and
29.21 construction of an overpass and associated
29.22 safety improvements at the intersection of
29.23 marked Trunk Highway 9 and marked Trunk
29.24 Highway 23 in the city of New London.

29.25 (e) The appropriation in Laws 2017, First
29.26 Special Session chapter 3, article 2, section 2,
29.27 subdivision 1, is available for the projects
29.28 selected under paragraph (c) that the
29.29 commissioner determines are ready to proceed.

29.30 ~~(e)~~ (f) The appropriation in this subdivision is
29.31 available for any projects selected by the
29.32 commissioner using the results of the
29.33 evaluation for the corridors of commerce
29.34 program conducted in spring 2018.

30.1 ~~(f)~~ (g) This appropriation cancels as specified
 30.2 under Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.642,
 30.3 except that the commissioner of management
 30.4 and budget shall count the start of
 30.5 authorization for issuance of state bonds as
 30.6 the first day of the fiscal year during which
 30.7 the bonds are available to be issued, and not
 30.8 as the date of enactment of this section.

30.9 Sec. 10. Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article 1, section 4, subdivision 4, is
 30.10 amended to read:

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

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| 30.12 (a) Driver Services | 44,820,000 | 39,685,000 |
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30.13 This appropriation is from the driver services
 30.14 operating account in the special revenue fund
 30.15 under Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.705,
 30.16 subdivision 2.

30.17 \$2,598,000 in each year is for costs to reopen
 30.18 all driver's license examination stations that
 30.19 were closed in 2020 due to the COVID-19
 30.20 pandemic. This amount is not available for the
 30.21 public information center, general
 30.22 administration, or operational support. This is
 30.23 a onetime appropriation.

30.24 \$2,229,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$155,000
 30.25 in fiscal year 2023 are for costs of a pilot
 30.26 project for same-day issuance of drivers'
 30.27 licenses and state identification cards.

30.28 ~~The base is \$36,398,000 in each of fiscal years~~
 30.29 ~~2024 and 2025. Any unexpended amount of~~
 30.30 this appropriation remaining on June 30, 2023,
 30.31 cancels to the driver and vehicle services
 30.32 operating account under Minnesota Statutes,
 30.33 section 299A.705.

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| 31.1 | | | | <u>35,535,000</u> |
| 31.2 | (b) Vehicle Services | | 37,418,000 | <u>27,299,000</u> |
| 31.3 | Appropriations by Fund | | | |
| 31.4 | | 2022 | 2023 | |
| 31.5 | H.U.T.D. | 686,000 | -0- | |
| 31.6 | | | | <u>35,535,000</u> |
| 31.7 | Special Revenue | 36,732,000 | <u>27,299,000</u> | |

31.8 The special revenue fund appropriation is from
 31.9 the vehicle services operating account under
 31.10 Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.705,
 31.11 subdivision 1.

31.12 \$200,000 in fiscal year 2022 is from the
 31.13 vehicle services operating account for the
 31.14 independent expert review of MnDRIVE under
 31.15 article 4, section 144, for expenses of the chair
 31.16 and the review team related to work completed
 31.17 pursuant to that section, including any
 31.18 contracts entered into. This is a onetime
 31.19 appropriation.

31.20 \$250,000 in fiscal year 2022 is from the
 31.21 vehicle services operating account for
 31.22 programming costs related to the
 31.23 implementation of self-service kiosks for
 31.24 vehicle registration renewal. This is a onetime
 31.25 appropriation and is available in fiscal year
 31.26 2023.

31.27 ~~The base is \$33,788,000 in each of fiscal years~~
 31.28 ~~2024 and 2025. Any unexpended amount of~~
 31.29 the appropriation from the special revenue
 31.30 fund remaining on June 30, 2023, cancels to
 31.31 the driver and vehicle services operating
 31.32 account under Minnesota Statutes, section
 31.33 299A.705.

32.1 Sec. 11. APPROPRIATION; DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND
32.2 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

32.3 \$30,000 in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
32.4 of employment and economic development for temporary staff costs related to the
32.5 procurement of a statewide freight optimization tool for the Department of Transportation.
32.6 This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2025.

32.7 Sec. 12. APPROPRIATION; TRAFFIC SAFETY.

32.8 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
32.9 of public safety for grants to school districts, nonpublic schools, charter schools, and
32.10 companies that provide school bus services for the purchase and installation of school bus
32.11 stop-signal arm camera systems. In awarding grants, the commissioner must follow the
32.12 same requirements as under Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article 1, section
32.13 4, subdivision 5. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2025.

32.14 Sec. 13. TRANSFERS.

32.15 (a) \$323,112,000 in fiscal year 2024 is transferred from the general fund to the trunk
32.16 highway fund for the state match for highway formula and discretionary grants under the
32.17 federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Public Law 117-58, and for related state
32.18 investments.

32.19 (b) \$25,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$25,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 are transferred
32.20 from the general fund to the active transportation account under Minnesota Statutes, section
32.21 174.38. The base for this transfer is \$2,799,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,800,000 in fiscal
32.22 year 2027.

32.23 (c) \$500,000 in fiscal year 2024 is transferred from the general fund to the disadvantaged
32.24 communities carsharing grant account under Minnesota Statutes, section 174.46, for the
32.25 purposes of the grant program under that section.

32.26 (d) \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 are transferred
32.27 from the general fund to the full-service provider account under Minnesota Statutes, section
32.28 299A.705. This is a onetime transfer.

32.29 (e) By June 30, 2023, the commissioner of management and budget must transfer any
32.30 remaining unappropriated balance, estimated to be \$232,000, from the driver services
32.31 operating account in the special revenue fund to the driver and vehicle services operating
32.32 account under Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.705.

33.1 (f) By June 30, 2023, the commissioner of management and budget must transfer any
 33.2 remaining unappropriated balance, estimated to be \$13,454,000, from the vehicle services
 33.3 operating account in the special revenue fund to the driver and vehicle services operating
 33.4 account under Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.705.

ARTICLE 2

TRUNK HIGHWAY BONDS

Section 1. **BOND APPROPRIATIONS.**

33.8 The sums shown in the column under "Appropriations" are appropriated from the bond
 33.9 proceeds account in the trunk highway fund to the state agencies or officials indicated to
 33.10 be spent for public purposes. Appropriations of bond proceeds must be spent as authorized
 33.11 by the Minnesota Constitution, articles XI and XIV. Unless otherwise specified, money
 33.12 appropriated in this article for a capital program or project may be used to pay state agency
 33.13 staff costs that are attributed directly to the capital program or project in accordance with
 33.14 accounting policies adopted by the commissioner of management and budget.

SUMMARY

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| 33.16 | <u>Department of Transportation</u> | \$ | <u>550,000,000</u> |
| 33.17 | <u>Department of Management and Budget</u> | \$ | <u>550,000</u> |
| 33.18 | <u>TOTAL</u> | \$ | <u>550,550,000</u> |

APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 2. **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

33.22 Subdivision 1. **Corridors of Commerce** \$ 350,000,000

33.23 (a) This appropriation is to the commissioner
 33.24 of transportation for the corridors of commerce
 33.25 program under Minnesota Statutes, section
 33.26 161.088. The commissioner may use up to 17
 33.27 percent of the amount for program delivery.

33.28 (b) This appropriation is available in the
 33.29 amounts of:

33.30 (1) \$175,000,000 in fiscal year 2024; and

33.31 (2) \$175,000,000 in fiscal year 2025.

34.1 (c) The appropriation in this subdivision
34.2 cancel as specified under Minnesota Statutes,
34.3 section 16A.642, except that the commissioner
34.4 of management and budget must count the
34.5 start of authorization for issuance of state
34.6 bonds as the first day of the fiscal year during
34.7 which the bonds are available to be issued as
34.8 specified under paragraph (b), and not as the
34.9 date of enactment of this section.

34.10 **Subd. 2. State Road Construction** **200,000,000**

34.11 (a) This appropriation is to the commissioner
34.12 of transportation for construction,
34.13 reconstruction, and improvement of trunk
34.14 highways, including design-build contracts,
34.15 internal department costs associated with
34.16 delivering the construction program, and
34.17 consultant usage to support these activities.
34.18 The commissioner may use up to 17 percent
34.19 of the amount for program delivery.

34.20 (b) This appropriation is available in the
34.21 amounts of:

34.22 (1) \$100,000,000 in fiscal year 2024; and

34.23 (2) \$100,000,000 in fiscal year 2025.

34.24 (c) The appropriation in this subdivision
34.25 cancel as specified under Minnesota Statutes,
34.26 section 16A.642, except that the commissioner
34.27 of management and budget must count the
34.28 start of authorization for issuance of state
34.29 bonds as the first day of the fiscal year during
34.30 which the bonds are available to be issued as
34.31 specified under paragraph (b), and not as the
34.32 date of enactment of this section.

34.33 **Sec. 3. BOND SALE EXPENSES** **\$ 550,000**

35.1 (a) This appropriation is to the commissioner
35.2 of management and budget for bond sale
35.3 expenses under Minnesota Statutes, sections
35.4 16A.641, subdivision 8, and 167.50,
35.5 subdivision 4.

35.6 (b) This appropriation is available in the
35.7 amounts of:

35.8 (1) \$275,000 in fiscal year 2024; and

35.9 (2) \$275,000 in fiscal year 2025.

35.10 **Sec. 4. BOND SALE AUTHORIZATION.**

35.11 To provide the money appropriated in this article from the bond proceeds account in the
35.12 trunk highway fund, the commissioner of management and budget shall sell and issue bonds
35.13 of the state in an amount up to \$550,550,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with the
35.14 effect prescribed by Minnesota Statutes, sections 167.50 to 167.52, and by the Minnesota
35.15 Constitution, article XIV, section 11, at the times and in the amounts requested by the
35.16 commissioner of transportation. The proceeds of the bonds, except accrued interest and any
35.17 premium received from the sale of the bonds, must be deposited in the bond proceeds account
35.18 in the trunk highway fund.

35.19

ARTICLE 3

35.20

TRANSPORTATION FINANCE

35.21 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 162.145, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

35.22 Subd. 2. **Small cities assistance account.** A small cities assistance account is created
35.23 in the special revenue fund. The account consists of ~~funds as provided by law, and any other~~
35.24 money donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account. Money in the
35.25 account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of transportation and may only be
35.26 expended as provided under this section.

35.27 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 162.145, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

35.28 Subd. 3. **Administration.** ~~(a) Subject to funds made available by law,~~ The commissioner
35.29 must allocate all funds in the small cities assistance account as provided in subdivision 4
35.30 and must, by June 1, certify to the commissioner of revenue the amounts to be paid.

36.1 (b) Following certification from the commissioner, the commissioner of revenue must
36.2 distribute the specified funds to cities in the same manner as local government aid under
36.3 chapter 477A. An appropriation to the commissioner under this section is available to the
36.4 commissioner of revenue for the purposes specified in this paragraph.

36.5 (c) Notwithstanding other law to the contrary, in order to receive distributions under
36.6 this section, a city must conform to the standards in section 477A.017, subdivision 2. A city
36.7 that receives funds under this section must make and preserve records necessary to show
36.8 that the funds are spent in compliance with subdivision 5.

36.9 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 162.145, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

36.10 Subd. 4. **Distribution formula.** ~~(a) In each fiscal year in which funds are available under~~
36.11 ~~this section, the commissioner shall allocate funds to eligible cities.~~

36.12 ~~(b)~~ (a) The preliminary aid to each city is calculated as follows:

36.13 (1) five percent of funds allocated equally among all eligible cities;

36.14 (2) 35 percent of funds allocated proportionally based on each city's share of lane miles
36.15 of municipal streets compared to total lane miles of municipal streets of all eligible cities;

36.16 (3) 35 percent of funds allocated proportionally based on each city's share of population
36.17 compared to total population of all eligible cities; and

36.18 (4) 25 percent of funds allocated proportionally based on each city's share of state-aid
36.19 adjustment factor compared to the sum of state-aid adjustment factors of all eligible cities.

36.20 ~~(e)~~ (b) The final aid to each city is calculated as the lesser of:

36.21 (1) the preliminary aid to the city multiplied by an aid factor; or

36.22 (2) the maximum aid.

36.23 ~~(d)~~ (c) The commissioner shall set the aid factor under paragraph ~~(e)~~ (b), which must be
36.24 the same for all eligible cities, so that the total funds allocated under this subdivision equals
36.25 the total amount available for the fiscal year.

36.26 Sec. 4. **[162.146] LARGER CITIES ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT.**

36.27 Subdivision 1. **Larger cities assistance account.** A larger cities assistance account is
36.28 created in the special revenue fund. The account consists of money allotted, appropriated,
36.29 or transferred through gift or grant to the account. Money in the account is annually

37.1 appropriated to the commissioner of transportation for apportionment among all the cities
37.2 that are eligible to receive municipal state aid under sections 162.09 to 162.14.

37.3 Subd. 2. **Distribution formula.** The commissioner must apportion: (1) 50 percent of
37.4 the money so that of that amount, each city receives the percentage that its population bears
37.5 to the total population of all cities that are eligible to receive municipal state aid under
37.6 sections 162.09 to 162.14; and (2) 50 percent of the money so that of that amount, each city
37.7 receives the percentage that its money needs, as determined by the commissioner under
37.8 section 162.13, subdivision 3, bears to the total money needs of all cities that are eligible
37.9 to receive municipal state aid under sections 162.09 to 162.14.

37.10 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.013, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

37.11 Subd. 1a. **Passenger automobile; hearse.** (a) On passenger automobiles as defined in
37.12 section 168.002, subdivision 24, and hearses, except as otherwise provided, the registration
37.13 tax is calculated as \$10 plus:

37.14 (1) for a vehicle initially registered in Minnesota prior to November 16, 2020, ~~4.25~~ 1.54
37.15 percent of the manufacturer's suggested retail price of the vehicle and the destination charge,
37.16 subject to the adjustments in paragraphs (f) and (g); or

37.17 (2) for a vehicle initially registered in Minnesota on or after November 16, 2020, ~~4.285~~
37.18 1.575 percent of the manufacturer's suggested retail price of the vehicle, subject to the
37.19 adjustments in paragraphs (f) and (g).

37.20 (b) The registration tax calculation must not include the cost of each accessory or item
37.21 of optional equipment separately added to the vehicle and the manufacturer's suggested
37.22 retail price. The registration tax calculation must not include a destination charge, except
37.23 for a vehicle previously registered in Minnesota prior to November 16, 2020.

37.24 (c) In the case of the first registration of a new vehicle sold or leased by a licensed dealer,
37.25 the dealer may elect to individually determine the registration tax on the vehicle using
37.26 manufacturer's suggested retail price information provided by the manufacturer. The registrar
37.27 must use the manufacturer's suggested retail price determined by the dealer as provided in
37.28 paragraph (d). A dealer that elects to make the determination must retain a copy of the
37.29 manufacturer's suggested retail price label or other supporting documentation with the
37.30 vehicle transaction records maintained under Minnesota Rules, part 7400.5200.

37.31 (d) The registrar must determine the manufacturer's suggested retail price:

37.32 (1) using list price information published by the manufacturer or any nationally
37.33 recognized firm or association compiling such data for the automotive industry;

38.1 (2) if the list price information is unavailable, using the amount determined by a licensed
38.2 dealer under paragraph (c);

38.3 (3) if a dealer does not determine the amount, using the retail price label as provided by
38.4 the manufacturer under United States Code, title 15, section 1232; or

38.5 (4) if the retail price label is not available, using the actual sales price of the vehicle.

38.6 If the registrar is unable to ascertain the manufacturer's suggested retail price of any registered
38.7 vehicle in the foregoing manner, the registrar may use any other available source or method.

38.8 (e) The registrar must calculate the registration tax using information available to dealers
38.9 and deputy registrars at the time the initial application for registration is submitted.

38.10 (f) The amount under paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (2), must be calculated based on a
38.11 percentage of the manufacturer's suggested retail price, as follows:

38.12 (1) during the first year of vehicle life, upon 100 percent of the price;

38.13 (2) for the second year, ~~90~~ 95 percent of the price;

38.14 (3) for the third year, ~~80~~ 90 percent of the price;

38.15 (4) for the fourth year, ~~70~~ 80 percent of the price;

38.16 (5) for the fifth year, ~~60~~ 70 percent of the price;

38.17 (6) for the sixth year, ~~50~~ 60 percent of the price;

38.18 (7) for the seventh year, ~~40~~ 50 percent of the price;

38.19 (8) for the eighth year, ~~30~~ 40 percent of the price;

38.20 (9) for the ninth year, ~~20~~ 25 percent of the price; and

38.21 (10) for the tenth year, ten percent of the price.

38.22 (g) For the 11th and each succeeding year, the amount under paragraph (a), clauses (1)
38.23 and (2), must be calculated as ~~\$25~~ \$20.

38.24 (h) Except as provided in subdivision 23, for any vehicle previously registered in
38.25 Minnesota and regardless of prior ownership, the total amount due under this subdivision
38.26 and subdivision 1m must not exceed the smallest total amount previously paid or due on
38.27 the vehicle.

38.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
38.29 applies to taxes payable for a registration period starting on or after January 1, 2024.

39.1 Sec. 6. [168.1287] MINNESOTA BLACKOUT SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES.

39.2 Subdivision 1. Issuance of plates. The commissioner must issue blackout special license
39.3 plates or a single motorcycle plate to an applicant who:

39.4 (1) is a registered owner of a passenger automobile, noncommercial one-ton pickup
39.5 truck, motorcycle, or recreational vehicle;

39.6 (2) pays an additional fee in the amount specified for special plates under section 168.12,
39.7 subdivision 5;

39.8 (3) pays the registration tax as required under section 168.013;

39.9 (4) pays the fees required under this chapter;

39.10 (5) contributes a minimum of \$30 annually to the trunk highway fund; and

39.11 (6) complies with this chapter and rules governing registration of motor vehicles and
39.12 licensing of drivers.

39.13 Subd. 2. Design. The commissioner must adopt a suitable plate design that includes a
39.14 black background with white text.

39.15 Subd. 3. Plates transfer. On application to the commissioner and payment of a transfer
39.16 fee of \$5, special plates issued under this section may be transferred to another motor vehicle
39.17 if the subsequent vehicle is:

39.18 (1) qualified under subdivision 1, clause (1), to bear the special plates; and

39.19 (2) registered to the same individual to whom the special plates were originally issued.

39.20 Subd. 4. Exemption. Special plates issued under this section are not subject to section
39.21 168.1293, subdivision 2.

39.22 Subd. 5. Contributions; account. Contributions collected under subdivision 1, clause
39.23 (5), must be deposited in the trunk highway fund.

39.24 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2024, for blackout special
39.25 plates issued on or after that date.

39.26 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 174.38, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

39.27 Subd. 3. **Active transportation account.** An active transportation account is established
39.28 in the special revenue fund. The account consists of funds provided by law and any other
39.29 money donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account. Money in the

40.1 account is annually appropriated to the commissioner and must be expended only on a
40.2 project projects that ~~receives~~ receive financial assistance under this section.

40.3 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297A.94, is amended to read:

40.4 **297A.94 DEPOSIT OF REVENUES.**

40.5 (a) Except as provided in this section, the commissioner shall deposit the revenues,
40.6 including interest and penalties, derived from the taxes imposed by this chapter in the state
40.7 treasury and credit them to the general fund.

40.8 (b) The commissioner shall deposit taxes in the Minnesota agricultural and economic
40.9 account in the special revenue fund if:

40.10 (1) the taxes are derived from sales and use of property and services purchased for the
40.11 construction and operation of an agricultural resource project; and

40.12 (2) the purchase was made on or after the date on which a conditional commitment was
40.13 made for a loan guaranty for the project under section 41A.04, subdivision 3.

40.14 The commissioner of management and budget shall certify to the commissioner the date on
40.15 which the project received the conditional commitment. The amount deposited in the loan
40.16 guaranty account must be reduced by any refunds and by the costs incurred by the Department
40.17 of Revenue to administer and enforce the assessment and collection of the taxes.

40.18 (c) The commissioner shall deposit the revenues, including interest and penalties, derived
40.19 from the taxes imposed on sales and purchases included in section 297A.61, subdivision 3,
40.20 paragraph (g), clauses (1) and (4), in the state treasury, and credit them as follows:

40.21 (1) first to the general obligation special tax bond debt service account in each fiscal
40.22 year the amount required by section 16A.661, subdivision 3, paragraph (b); and

40.23 (2) after the requirements of clause (1) have been met, the balance to the general fund.

40.24 (d) Beginning with sales taxes remitted after July 1, 2017, the commissioner shall deposit
40.25 in the state treasury the revenues collected under section 297A.64, subdivision 1, including
40.26 interest and penalties and minus refunds, and credit them to the highway user tax distribution
40.27 fund.

40.28 (e) The commissioner shall deposit the revenues, including interest and penalties,
40.29 collected under section 297A.64, subdivision 5, in the state treasury and credit them to the
40.30 general fund. By July 15 of each year the commissioner shall transfer to the highway user
40.31 tax distribution fund an amount equal to the excess fees collected under section 297A.64,
40.32 subdivision 5, for the previous calendar year.

41.1 (f) Beginning with sales taxes remitted after July 1, 2017, in conjunction with the deposit
41.2 of revenues under paragraph (d), the commissioner shall deposit into the state treasury and
41.3 credit to the highway user tax distribution fund an amount equal to the estimated revenues
41.4 derived from the tax rate imposed under section 297A.62, subdivision 1, on the lease or
41.5 rental for not more than 28 days of rental motor vehicles subject to section 297A.64. The
41.6 commissioner shall estimate the amount of sales tax revenue deposited under this paragraph
41.7 based on the amount of revenue deposited under paragraph (d).

41.8 ~~(g) The commissioner shall deposit an amount of the remittances monthly into the state~~
41.9 ~~treasury and credit them to the highway user tax distribution fund as a portion of the estimated~~
41.10 ~~amount of taxes collected from the sale and purchase of motor vehicle repair and replacement~~
41.11 ~~parts in that month. The monthly deposit amount is \$12,137,000. For purposes of this~~
41.12 ~~paragraph, "motor vehicle" has the meaning given in section 297B.01, subdivision 11, and~~
41.13 ~~"motor vehicle repair and replacement parts" includes (i) all parts, tires, accessories, and~~
41.14 ~~equipment incorporated into or affixed to the motor vehicle as part of the motor vehicle~~
41.15 ~~maintenance and repair, and (ii) paint, oil, and other fluids that remain on or in the motor~~
41.16 ~~vehicle as part of the motor vehicle maintenance or repair. For purposes of this paragraph,~~
41.17 ~~"tire" means any tire of the type used on highway vehicles, if wholly or partially made of~~
41.18 ~~rubber and if marked according to federal regulations for highway use. The commissioner~~
41.19 ~~must deposit the revenues derived from the taxes imposed on the sale and purchase of motor~~
41.20 ~~vehicle repair and replacement parts in the state treasury and credit:~~

41.21 (1) 47.5 percent in each year to the highway user tax distribution fund;

41.22 (2) to the general fund as follows:

41.23 (i) in fiscal year 2024, 50 percent;

41.24 (ii) in fiscal year 2025, 48 percent;

41.25 (iii) in fiscal year 2026, 46 percent;

41.26 (iv) in fiscal year 2027, 44 percent;

41.27 (v) in fiscal year 2028, 35 percent;

41.28 (vi) in fiscal year 2029, 28 percent;

41.29 (vii) in fiscal year 2030, 21 percent;

41.30 (viii) in fiscal year 2031, 14 percent;

41.31 (ix) in fiscal year 2032, seven percent; and

41.32 (x) in fiscal year 2033 and thereafter, zero percent; and

42.1 (3) the remainder in each year as follows:

42.2 (i) 60 percent to the county state-aid highway fund;

42.3 (ii) 22 percent to the municipal state-aid street fund;

42.4 (iii) nine percent to the small cities assistance account under section 162.145; and

42.5 (iv) nine percent to the larger cities assistance account under section 162.146.

42.6 (h) 72.43 percent of the revenues, including interest and penalties, transmitted to the
42.7 commissioner under section 297A.65, must be deposited by the commissioner in the state
42.8 treasury as follows:

42.9 (1) 50 percent of the receipts must be deposited in the heritage enhancement account in
42.10 the game and fish fund, and may be spent only on activities that improve, enhance, or protect
42.11 fish and wildlife resources, including conservation, restoration, and enhancement of land,
42.12 water, and other natural resources of the state;

42.13 (2) 22.5 percent of the receipts must be deposited in the natural resources fund, and may
42.14 be spent only for state parks and trails;

42.15 (3) 22.5 percent of the receipts must be deposited in the natural resources fund, and may
42.16 be spent only on metropolitan park and trail grants;

42.17 (4) three percent of the receipts must be deposited in the natural resources fund, and
42.18 may be spent only on local trail grants; and

42.19 (5) two percent of the receipts must be deposited in the natural resources fund, and may
42.20 be spent only for the Minnesota Zoological Garden, the Como Park Zoo and Conservatory,
42.21 and the Duluth Zoo.

42.22 (i) The revenue dedicated under paragraph (h) may not be used as a substitute for
42.23 traditional sources of funding for the purposes specified, but the dedicated revenue shall
42.24 supplement traditional sources of funding for those purposes. Land acquired with money
42.25 deposited in the game and fish fund under paragraph (h) must be open to public hunting
42.26 and fishing during the open season, except that in aquatic management areas or on lands
42.27 where angling easements have been acquired, fishing may be prohibited during certain times
42.28 of the year and hunting may be prohibited. At least 87 percent of the money deposited in
42.29 the game and fish fund for improvement, enhancement, or protection of fish and wildlife
42.30 resources under paragraph (h) must be allocated for field operations.

42.31 (j) The commissioner must deposit the revenues, including interest and penalties minus
42.32 any refunds, derived from the sale of items regulated under section 624.20, subdivision 1,

43.1 that may be sold to persons 18 years old or older and that are not prohibited from use by
43.2 the general public under section 624.21, in the state treasury and credit:

43.3 (1) 25 percent to the volunteer fire assistance grant account established under section
43.4 88.068;

43.5 (2) 25 percent to the fire safety account established under section 297I.06, subdivision
43.6 3; and

43.7 (3) the remainder to the general fund.

43.8 For purposes of this paragraph, the percentage of total sales and use tax revenue derived
43.9 from the sale of items regulated under section 624.20, subdivision 1, that are allowed to be
43.10 sold to persons 18 years old or older and are not prohibited from use by the general public
43.11 under section 624.21, is a set percentage of the total sales and use tax revenues collected in
43.12 the state, with the percentage determined under Laws 2017, First Special Session chapter
43.13 1, article 3, section 39.

43.14 (k) The revenues deposited under paragraphs (a) to (j) do not include the revenues,
43.15 including interest and penalties, generated by the sales tax imposed under section 297A.62,
43.16 subdivision 1a, which must be deposited as provided under the Minnesota Constitution,
43.17 article XI, section 15.

43.18 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297A.99, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

43.19 Subdivision 1. **Authorization; scope.** (a) A political subdivision of this state may impose
43.20 a general sales tax (1) under section 297A.992, (2) under section 297A.9925, (3) under
43.21 section 297A.993, ~~(3)~~ (4) if permitted by special law, or ~~(4)~~ (5) if the political subdivision
43.22 enacted and imposed the tax before January 1, 1982, and its predecessor provision.

43.23 (b) This section governs the imposition of a general sales tax by the political subdivision.
43.24 The provisions of this section preempt the provisions of any special law:

43.25 (1) enacted before June 2, 1997, or

43.26 (2) enacted on or after June 2, 1997, that does not explicitly exempt the special law
43.27 provision from this section's rules by reference.

43.28 (c) This section does not apply to or preempt a sales tax on motor vehicles. Beginning
43.29 July 1, 2019, no political subdivision may impose a special excise tax on motor vehicles
43.30 unless it is imposed under section 297A.993.

44.1 (d) A political subdivision may not advertise or expend funds for the promotion of a
44.2 referendum to support imposing a local sales tax and may only spend funds related to
44.3 imposing a local sales tax to:

44.4 (1) conduct the referendum;

44.5 (2) disseminate information included in the resolution adopted under subdivision 2, but
44.6 only if the disseminated information includes a list of specific projects and the cost of each
44.7 individual project;

44.8 (3) provide notice of, and conduct public forums at which proponents and opponents on
44.9 the merits of the referendum are given equal time to express their opinions on the merits of
44.10 the referendum;

44.11 (4) provide facts and data on the impact of the proposed local sales tax on consumer
44.12 purchases; and

44.13 (5) provide facts and data related to the individual programs and projects to be funded
44.14 with the local sales tax.

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

44.16 Sec. 10. **[297A.9925] METROPOLITAN REGION SALES AND USE TAX.**

44.17 **Subdivision 1. Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have
44.18 the meanings given.

44.19 (b) "Metropolitan area" has the meaning given in section 473.121, subdivision 2.

44.20 (c) "Metropolitan Council" or "council" means the Metropolitan Council established by
44.21 section 473.123.

44.22 (d) "Metropolitan sales tax" means the metropolitan region sales and use tax imposed
44.23 under this section.

44.24 **Subd. 2. Sales tax imposition; rate.** The Metropolitan Council must impose a
44.25 metropolitan region sales and use tax at a rate of one-half of one percent on retail sales and
44.26 uses taxable under this chapter made in the metropolitan area or to a destination in the
44.27 metropolitan area.

44.28 **Subd. 3. Administration; collection; enforcement.** Except as otherwise provided in
44.29 this section, the provisions of section 297A.99, subdivisions 4, and 6 to 12a, govern the
44.30 administration, collection, and enforcement of the metropolitan sales tax.

44.31 **Subd. 4. Deposit.** Proceeds of the metropolitan sales tax must be deposited as follows:

45.1 (1) 83 percent in the metropolitan area transit account under section 16A.88; and

45.2 (2) 17 percent in the county state-aid highway fund.

45.3 Subd. 5. **Revenue bonds.** (a) In addition to other authority granted in this section, and
45.4 notwithstanding section 473.39, subdivision 7, or any other law to the contrary, the council
45.5 may, by resolution, authorize the sale and issuance of revenue bonds, notes, or obligations
45.6 to provide funds to (1) implement the council's transit capital improvement program, and
45.7 (2) refund bonds issued under this subdivision.

45.8 (b) The bonds are payable from and secured by a pledge of all or part of the revenue
45.9 received under subdivision 4, clause (1), and associated investment earnings on debt proceeds.
45.10 The council may, by resolution, authorize the issuance of the bonds as general obligations
45.11 of the council. The bonds must be sold, issued, and secured in the manner provided in
45.12 chapter 475, and the council has the same powers and duties as a municipality and its
45.13 governing body in issuing bonds under chapter 475, except that no election is required and
45.14 the net debt limitations in chapter 475 do not apply to such bonds. The proceeds of the bonds
45.15 may also be used to fund necessary reserves and to pay credit enhancement fees, issuance
45.16 costs, and other financing costs during the life of the debt.

45.17 (c) The bonds may be secured by a bond resolution, or a trust indenture entered into by
45.18 the council with a corporate trustee within or outside the state, which must define the
45.19 revenues and bond proceeds pledged for the payment and security of the bonds. The pledge
45.20 must be a valid charge on the revenues received under section 297A.99, subdivision 11.
45.21 Neither the state, nor any municipality or political subdivision except the council, nor any
45.22 member or officer or employee of the council, is liable on the obligations. No mortgage or
45.23 security interest in any tangible real or personal property is granted to the bondholders or
45.24 the trustee, but they have a valid security interest in the revenues and bond proceeds received
45.25 by the council and pledged to the payment of the bonds. In the bond resolution or trust
45.26 indenture, the council may make such covenants as it determines to be reasonable for the
45.27 protection of the bondholders.

45.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
45.29 final enactment for sales and purchases made after October 1, 2023, and applies in the
45.30 counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

46.1 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297B.02, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

46.2 Subdivision 1. **Rate.** (a) There is imposed an excise tax of ~~6.5~~ 6.875 percent on the
46.3 purchase price of any motor vehicle purchased or acquired, either in or outside of the state
46.4 of Minnesota, which is required to be registered under the laws of this state.

46.5 (b) The excise tax is also imposed on the purchase price of motor vehicles purchased or
46.6 acquired on Indian reservations when the tribal council has entered into a sales tax on motor
46.7 vehicles refund agreement with the state of Minnesota.

46.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for sales and purchases on or after July
46.9 1, 2023.

46.10 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297B.09, is amended to read:

46.11 **297B.09 ALLOCATION OF REVENUE.**

46.12 Subdivision 1. **Deposit of revenues.** (a) Money collected and received under this chapter
46.13 must be deposited ~~as provided in this subdivision.~~ as follows:

46.14 ~~(b) (1) 60 percent of the money collected and received must be deposited in the highway~~
46.15 ~~user tax distribution fund, 36 percent must be deposited;~~

46.16 (2) 34.5 percent in the metropolitan area transit account under section 16A.88; and four
46.17 ~~percent must be deposited~~

46.18 (3) 5.5 percent in the greater Minnesota transit account under section 16A.88.

46.19 ~~(e)~~ (b) It is the intent of the legislature that the allocations under paragraph (b) remain
46.20 unchanged for fiscal year ~~2012~~ 2024 and all subsequent fiscal years.

46.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

46.22 Sec. 13. **[473.4465] METROPOLITAN REGION SALES AND USE TAX**
46.23 **ALLOCATION.**

46.24 Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "sales tax revenue" means
46.25 revenue from the metropolitan region sales and use tax under section 297A.9925 that is
46.26 deposited in the metropolitan area transit account under section 16A.88.

46.27 Subd. 2. **Use of funds; Metropolitan Council.** (a) Sales tax revenue is available as
46.28 follows:

46.29 (1) five percent for the metropolitan area active transportation program under section
46.30 473.248; and

47.1 (2) 95 percent for transit system purposes under sections 473.371 to 473.452, including
47.2 but not limited to operations, maintenance, and capital projects.

47.3 (b) The council must annually expend a portion of sales tax revenue in each of the
47.4 following categories:

47.5 (1) improvements to regular route bus service levels;

47.6 (2) improvements related to transit safety, including additional transit officials, as defined
47.7 under section 473.4075;

47.8 (3) maintenance and improvements to bus accessibility at transit stops and transit centers;

47.9 (4) transit shelter replacement and improvements under section 473.41;

47.10 (5) planning and project development for expansion of arterial bus rapid transit lines;

47.11 (6) operations and capital maintenance of arterial bus rapid transit;

47.12 (7) planning and project development for expansion of highway bus rapid transit and
47.13 bus guideway lines;

47.14 (8) operations and capital maintenance of highway bus rapid transit and bus guideways;

47.15 (9) zero-emission bus procurement and associated costs in conformance with the
47.16 zero-emission and electric transit vehicle transition plan under section 473.3927;

47.17 (10) demand response microtransit service provided by the council;

47.18 (11) financial assistance to replacement service providers under section 473.388, to
47.19 provide for service, vehicle purchases, and capital investments related to demand response
47.20 microtransit service;

47.21 (12) financial assistance to political subdivisions and tax-exempt organizations under
47.22 section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code for the metropolitan area active transportation
47.23 program established in section 473.248; and

47.24 (13) cost of living wage adjustments for Metro Transit hourly operations employees.

47.25 (c) The chair of the Metropolitan Council must annually transfer a portion of sales tax
47.26 revenue to the commissioner of transportation for the cost of construction of nonarterial
47.27 bus rapid transit facilities under section 174.48 and the cost of construction of light rail
47.28 transit facilities under sections 473.3993 to 473.3997. The amount for transfer must be
47.29 annually certified by the commissioner of transportation in consultation with the
47.30 commissioner of management and budget.

48.1 Subd. 3. Use of funds; Department of Transportation. (a) Notwithstanding any other
48.2 law to the contrary, the commissioner of transportation must allocate the funds deposited
48.3 under section 297A.9925, subdivision 4, clause (2), to the metropolitan counties, as defined
48.4 in section 473.121, subdivision 4, as follows:

48.5 (1) 50 percent apportioned among the counties so that each county receives of such
48.6 amount the percentage that its population, as defined in section 477A.011, subdivision 3,
48.7 bears to the total population of the counties receiving funds under this subdivision; and

48.8 (2) 50 percent apportioned among the counties so that each county receives of such
48.9 amount the percentage that its money needs, as defined under section 162.07, subdivision
48.10 2, bears to the sum of the money needs of all of the individual counties receiving funds
48.11 under this subdivision.

48.12 Subd. 4. Tracking and information. (a) The council must maintain separate financial
48.13 information on sales tax revenue that includes:

48.14 (1) a summary of annual revenue and expenditures, including but not limited to balances
48.15 and anticipated revenue in the forecast period under section 16A.103; and

48.16 (2) for each of the categories specified under subdivision 2 in the most recent prior three
48.17 fiscal years:

48.18 (i) specification of annual expenditures; and

48.19 (ii) an overview of the projects or services.

48.20 (b) The council must publish the information required under paragraph (a) on the council's
48.21 website.

48.22 EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION. This section is effective October 1, 2023, and
48.23 applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

48.24 Sec. 14. OPERATING AND CAPITAL ASSISTANCE; GREATER MINNESOTA
48.25 TRANSIT.

48.26 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 174.24, subdivision 3b, the commissioner
48.27 of transportation must fund the operating costs of any eligible public transit system under
48.28 Minnesota Statutes, section 174.24, subdivision 2, such that the percentage of total contracted
48.29 operating costs paid by any recipient from local sources will not exceed five percent.

48.30 (b) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 174.24, subdivision 3c, and Minnesota
48.31 Rules, part 8835.0320, the commissioner of transportation must fund 90 percent of the
48.32 capital costs approved by the commissioner under the public transit participation program

49.1 under Minnesota Statutes, section 174.24. The recipient must provide the remaining ten
49.2 percent of the approved capital costs from local sources.

49.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 21, 2023, and expires June 30, 2025.

49.4 **ARTICLE 4**

49.5 **DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES, DRIVER'S LICENSE AGENTS, AND DEPUTY**
49.6 **REGISTRARS (INDEPENDENT EXPERT REVIEW PROVISIONS)**

49.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.002, is amended by adding a subdivision
49.8 to read:

49.9 Subd. 12a. **Full-service provider.** "Full-service provider" means a person who is
49.10 appointed by the commissioner as both a deputy registrar under this chapter and a driver's
49.11 license agent under chapter 171 who provides all driver services, excluding International
49.12 Registration Plan and International Fuel Tax Agreement transactions. The commissioner is
49.13 not a full-service provider.

49.14 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.327, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

49.15 Subdivision 1. **Records and fees.** (a) Upon request by any person authorized in this
49.16 section, the commissioner ~~shall~~ or full-service provider must furnish a certified copy of any
49.17 driver's license record, instruction permit record, Minnesota identification card record,
49.18 vehicle registration record, vehicle title record, or accident record.

49.19 (b) Except as provided in subdivisions 4, 5a, and 5b, and other than accident records
49.20 governed under section 169.09, subdivision 13, the requester ~~shall~~ must pay a fee of \$10
49.21 for each certified record specified in paragraph (a) or a fee of \$9 for each record that is not
49.22 certified.

49.23 (c) Except as provided in subdivisions 4, 5a, and 5b, in addition to the record fee in
49.24 paragraph (b), the fee for a copy of the history of any vehicle title not in electronic format
49.25 is \$1 for each page of the historical record.

49.26 (d) ~~Fees~~ Of the fee collected by the commissioner under paragraph (b) for driver's license,
49.27 instruction permit, and Minnesota identification card records, ~~must be paid into the state~~
49.28 treasury with 50 cents of each fee credited to ~~must be deposited in the general fund, and~~
49.29 the remainder of the fees collected ~~must be credited to~~ must be deposited in the driver and
49.30 vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund under section 299A.705. ~~Of~~
49.31 the fee collected by a full-service provider under paragraph (b) for driver's license, instruction
49.32 permit, and Minnesota identification card records, the provider must transmit 50 cents to

50.1 the commissioner to be deposited in the general fund, and the provider must retain the
50.2 remainder.

50.3 (e) Fees Of the fee collected by the commissioner under paragraphs (b) and (c) for vehicle
50.4 registration or title records, ~~must be paid into the state treasury with 50 cents of each fee~~
50.5 ~~credited to~~ must be deposited in the general fund, and the remainder of the fees collected
50.6 ~~must be credited to~~ must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account
50.7 ~~in the special revenue fund specified in~~ under section 299A.705. Of the fee collected by a
50.8 full-service provider under paragraphs (b) and (c) for vehicle registration or title records,
50.9 the provider must transmit 50 cents of each fee to the commissioner to be deposited in the
50.10 general fund, and the provider must retain the remainder.

50.11 (f) Except as provided in subdivisions 4, 5a, and 5b, the commissioner ~~shall~~ must permit
50.12 a person to inquire into a record by the person's own electronic means for a fee of \$4.50 for
50.13 each inquiry, except that no fee may be charged when the requester is the subject of the
50.14 data. Of the fee collected by the commissioner:

50.15 (1) \$2.70 must be deposited in the general fund;

50.16 (2) for driver's license, instruction permit, or Minnesota identification card records, the
50.17 remainder must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the~~
50.18 ~~special revenue fund~~ under section 299A.705; and

50.19 (3) for vehicle title or registration records, the remainder must be deposited in the driver
50.20 and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~ under section 299A.705.

50.21 (g) Fees and the deposit of the fees for accident records and reports are governed by
50.22 section 169.09, subdivision 13.

50.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to record
50.24 requests made on or after that date.

50.25 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.327, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

50.26 Subd. 2. **Requests for information; surcharge on fee.** (a) Except as otherwise provided
50.27 in subdivision 3, the commissioner ~~shall~~ or full-service provider must impose a surcharge
50.28 of 50 cents on each fee charged by the commissioner or full-service provider under section
50.29 13.03, subdivision 3, for copies or electronic transmittals of public information about the
50.30 registration of a vehicle or an applicant, or holder of a driver's license, instruction permit,
50.31 or Minnesota identification card.

51.1 (b) The surcharge only applies to a fee imposed in response to a request made in person
51.2 ~~or, by mail, or to a request for transmittal through a computer modem~~ online. The surcharge
51.3 does not apply to the request of an individual for information about that individual's driver's
51.4 license, instruction permit, or Minnesota identification card or about vehicles registered or
51.5 titled in the individual's name. The surcharges collected by a full-service provider must be
51.6 transmitted to the commissioner to be deposited in the general fund.

51.7 (c) The surcharges collected by the commissioner under this subdivision must be credited
51.8 to the general fund. The surcharges collected by a full-service provider must be transmitted
51.9 to the commissioner to be deposited in the general fund.

51.10 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to record
51.11 requests made on or after that date.

51.12 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.327, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

51.13 Subd. 3. **Exception to fee and surcharge.** (a) Notwithstanding subdivision 2 or section
51.14 13.03, a fee or surcharge may not be imposed in response to a request for public information
51.15 about the registration of a vehicle if the commissioner or full-service provider is satisfied
51.16 that:

51.17 (1) the requester seeks the information on behalf of a community-based, nonprofit
51.18 organization designated by a local law enforcement agency to be a requester; and

51.19 (2) the information is needed to identify suspected prostitution law violators, controlled
51.20 substance law violators, or health code violators.

51.21 (b) The commissioner ~~shall~~ or full-service provider must not require a requester under
51.22 paragraph (a) to make a minimum number of data requests or limit the requester to a
51.23 maximum number of data requests.

51.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to record
51.25 requests made on or after that date.

51.26 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.327, is amended by adding a subdivision to
51.27 read:

51.28 **Subd. 7. Monitoring and auditing.** The commissioner must monitor and audit the
51.29 furnishing of records by full-service providers under this section to ensure full-service
51.30 providers are complying with this section, chapter 13, and United States Code, title 18,
51.31 section 2721, et seq.

52.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024.

52.2 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.33, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

52.3 Subd. 7. **Filing fees and surcharge; allocations.** (a) In addition to all other statutory
52.4 fees and taxes, ~~a filing fee of:~~

52.5 (1) a \$7 filing fee is imposed on every vehicle registration renewal, excluding pro rate
52.6 transactions; ~~and~~

52.7 (2) a \$7.50 surcharge is imposed on the fee for every vehicle registration renewal,
52.8 excluding pro rate transactions; and

52.9 (3) an \$11 filing fee is imposed on every other type of vehicle transaction, including
52.10 motor carrier fuel licenses under sections 168D.05 and 168D.06, and pro rate transactions.

52.11 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a):

52.12 (1) a filing fee may not be charged for a document returned for a refund or for a correction
52.13 of an error made by the Department of Public Safety, a dealer, or a deputy registrar; and

52.14 (2) no filing fee or other fee may be charged for the permanent surrender of a title for a
52.15 vehicle.

52.16 (c) The filing fee and surcharge must be shown as a separate item on all registration
52.17 renewal notices sent out by the commissioner.

52.18 (d) The statutory fees and taxes, and the filing fees and surcharge imposed under
52.19 paragraph (a) may be paid by credit card or debit card. The deputy registrar may collect a
52.20 surcharge on the statutory fees, taxes, statutory surcharge, and filing fee not greater than
52.21 the cost of processing a credit card or debit card transaction, in accordance with emergency
52.22 rules established by the commissioner of public safety. The surcharge authorized by this
52.23 paragraph must be used to pay the cost of processing credit and debit card transactions.

52.24 (e) The fees collected under ~~this subdivision~~ paragraph (a) by the department must be
52.25 allocated as follows:

52.26 (1) of the fees collected under paragraph (a), clause (1):

52.27 (i) \$5.50 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account under
52.28 section 299A.705, subdivision 1; and

52.29 (ii) \$1.50 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services technology account under
52.30 section 299A.705, subdivision 3; and

52.31 (2) of the fees collected under paragraph (a), clause ~~(2)~~ (3):

53.1 (i) \$3.50 must be deposited in the general fund;

53.2 (ii) ~~\$6.00~~ \$6 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account
53.3 under section 299A.705, subdivision 1; and

53.4 (iii) \$1.50 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services technology account under
53.5 section 299A.705, subdivision 3.

53.6 (f) The surcharge collected under paragraph (a), clause (2), must be allocated as follows:

53.7 (1) one-third of the revenue must be deposited in the small cities assistance account
53.8 under section 162.145;

53.9 (2) one-third of the revenue must be deposited in the larger cities assistance account
53.10 under section 162.146; and

53.11 (3) one-third of the revenue must be deposited in the town road account under section
53.12 162.081.

53.13 (g) Notwithstanding apportionment and distribution requirements under section 162.081,
53.14 in fiscal year 2024, \$7,000,000 of the revenue deposited in the town road account under
53.15 paragraph (f), clause (3), must be allocated to a township with a population greater than
53.16 10,000 according to the last two federal decennial censuses.

53.17 (h) In addition to all other statutory fees and taxes, a \$1 surcharge is imposed on every
53.18 online transaction for which filing fees are collected under this subdivision. The proceeds
53.19 from the surcharge must be deposited in the full-service provider account under section
53.20 299A.705, subdivision 5.

53.21 (i) In addition to all other statutory fees and taxes, a deputy registrar must assess a \$0.50
53.22 surcharge on every transaction for which filing fees are collected under this subdivision.
53.23 The surcharge must be (1) deposited in the treasury of the place for which the deputy registrar
53.24 is appointed, or (2) if the deputy registrar is not a public official, retained by the deputy
53.25 registrar. For purposes of this paragraph, "deputy registrar" includes a deputy registrar who
53.26 is a full-service provider.

53.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, except that paragraphs (h)
53.28 and (i) are effective July 1, 2025.

53.29 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.345, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

53.30 Subd. 2. **Lessees; information.** The commissioner may not furnish information about
53.31 registered owners of passenger automobiles who are lessees under a lease for a term of 180
53.32 days or more to any person except the owner of the vehicle, the lessee, personnel of law

54.1 enforcement agencies and trade associations performing a member service under section
54.2 604.15, subdivision 4a, and federal, state, and local governmental units, and, at the
54.3 commissioner's discretion, to persons who use the information to notify lessees of automobile
54.4 recalls. The commissioner may release information about lessees in the form of summary
54.5 data, as defined in section 13.02, to persons who use the information in conducting statistical
54.6 analysis and market research.

54.7 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.09, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

54.8 Subd. 13. **Reports confidential; evidence, fee, penalty, appropriation.** (a) All reports
54.9 and supplemental information required under this section must be for the use of the
54.10 commissioner of public safety and other appropriate state, federal, county, and municipal
54.11 governmental agencies for accident analysis purposes, except:

54.12 (1) upon written request, the commissioner of public safety, a full-service provider as
54.13 defined in section 171.01, subdivision 33a, or any law enforcement agency ~~shall~~ must
54.14 disclose the report required under subdivision 8 to:

54.15 (i) any individual involved in the accident, the representative of the individual's estate,
54.16 or the surviving spouse, or one or more surviving next of kin, or a trustee appointed under
54.17 section 573.02;

54.18 (ii) any other person injured in person, property, or means of support, or who incurs
54.19 other pecuniary loss by virtue of the accident;

54.20 (iii) legal counsel of a person described in item (i) or (ii);

54.21 (iv) a representative of the insurer of any person described in item (i) or (ii); or

54.22 (v) a city or county attorney or an attorney representing the state in an implied consent
54.23 action who is charged with the prosecution of a traffic or criminal offense that is the result
54.24 of a traffic crash investigation conducted by law enforcement;

54.25 ~~(2) the commissioner of public safety shall, upon written request, provide the driver~~
54.26 ~~filing a report under subdivision 7 with a copy of the report filed by the driver;~~

54.27 ~~(3)~~ (2) the commissioner of public safety may verify with insurance companies vehicle
54.28 insurance information to enforce sections 65B.48, 169.792, 169.793, 169.796, and 169.797;

54.29 ~~(4)~~ (3) the commissioner of public safety ~~shall~~ must provide the commissioner of
54.30 transportation the information obtained for each traffic accident involving a commercial
54.31 motor vehicle, for purposes of administering commercial vehicle safety regulations;

55.1 ~~(5)~~ (4) upon specific request, the commissioner of public safety ~~shall~~ must provide the
 55.2 commissioner of transportation the information obtained regarding each traffic accident
 55.3 involving damage to identified state-owned infrastructure, for purposes of debt collection
 55.4 under section 161.20, subdivision 4; and

55.5 ~~(6)~~ (5) the commissioner of public safety may give to the United States Department of
 55.6 Transportation commercial vehicle accident information in connection with federal grant
 55.7 programs relating to safety.

55.8 (b) Accident reports and data contained in the reports are not discoverable under any
 55.9 provision of law or rule of court. ~~No report shall~~ A report must not be used as evidence in
 55.10 any trial, civil or criminal, or any action for damages or criminal proceedings arising out
 55.11 of an accident. However, the commissioner of public safety ~~shall~~ must furnish, upon the
 55.12 demand of any person who has or claims to have made a report or upon demand of any
 55.13 court, a certificate showing that a specified accident report has or has not been made to the
 55.14 commissioner solely to prove compliance or failure to comply with the requirements that
 55.15 the report be made to the commissioner.

55.16 (c) Nothing in this subdivision prevents any individual who has made a report under
 55.17 this section from providing information to any individuals involved in an accident or their
 55.18 representatives or from testifying in any trial, civil or criminal, arising out of an accident,
 55.19 as to facts within the individual's knowledge. It is intended by this subdivision to render
 55.20 privileged the reports required, but it is not intended to prohibit proof of the facts to which
 55.21 the reports relate.

55.22 (d) Disclosing any information contained in any accident report, except as provided in
 55.23 this subdivision, section 13.82, subdivision 3 or 6, or other statutes, is a misdemeanor.

55.24 (e) The commissioner of public safety ~~shall~~ or full-service provider as defined in section
 55.25 171.01, subdivision 33a, must charge authorized persons as described in paragraph (a) a \$5
 55.26 fee for a copy of an accident report. Ninety percent of the \$5 fee collected by the
 55.27 commissioner under this paragraph must be deposited in the special revenue fund and
 55.28 credited to the driver and vehicle services operating account established in section 299A.705
 55.29 and ten percent must be deposited in the general fund. Of the \$5 fee collected by a full-service
 55.30 provider, the provider must transmit 50 cents to the commissioner to be deposited into the
 55.31 general fund, and the provider must retain the remainder. The commissioner may also furnish
 55.32 an electronic copy of the database of accident records, which must not contain personal or
 55.33 private data on an individual, to private agencies as provided in paragraph (g), for not less

56.1 than the cost of preparing the copies on a bulk basis as provided in section 13.03, subdivision
56.2 3.

56.3 (f) The fees specified in paragraph (e) notwithstanding, the commissioner and law
56.4 enforcement agencies ~~shall~~ must charge commercial users who request access to response
56.5 or incident data relating to accidents a fee not to exceed 50 cents per record. "Commercial
56.6 user" is a user who in one location requests access to data in more than five accident reports
56.7 per month, unless the user establishes that access is not for a commercial purpose. Of the
56.8 money collected by the commissioner under this paragraph, 90 percent must be deposited
56.9 ~~in the special revenue fund and credited to the driver and vehicle services operating account~~
56.10 ~~established in~~ under section 299A.705 and ten percent must be deposited in the general
56.11 fund.

56.12 (g) The fees in paragraphs (e) and (f) notwithstanding, the commissioner ~~shall~~ must
56.13 provide an electronic copy of the accident records database to the public on a case-by-case
56.14 basis using the cost-recovery charges provided for under section 13.03, subdivision 3. The
56.15 database provided must not contain personal or private data on an individual. However,
56.16 unless the accident records database includes the vehicle identification number, the
56.17 commissioner ~~shall~~ must include the vehicle registration plate number if a private agency
56.18 certifies and agrees that the agency:

56.19 (1) is in the business of collecting accident and damage information on vehicles;

56.20 (2) will use the vehicle registration plate number only for identifying vehicles that have
56.21 been involved in accidents or damaged, to provide this information to persons seeking access
56.22 to a vehicle's history and not for identifying individuals or for any other purpose; and

56.23 (3) will be subject to the penalties and remedies under sections 13.08 and 13.09.

56.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to record
56.25 requests made on or after that date.

56.26 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.09, is amended by adding a subdivision to
56.27 read:

56.28 **Subd. 20. Monitoring and auditing.** The commissioner must monitor and audit the
56.29 furnishing of records by full-service providers under this section to ensure full-service
56.30 providers are complying with this section, chapter 13, and United States Code, title 18,
56.31 section 2721, et seq.

56.32 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2024.

57.1 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to
57.2 read:

57.3 Subd. 33a. Full-service provider. "Full-service provider" has the meaning given in
57.4 section 168.002, subdivision 12a.

57.5 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.06, is amended by adding a subdivision to
57.6 read:

57.7 Subd. 12. Preapplication. (a) The commissioner must establish a process for an applicant
57.8 to submit an electronic preapplication for a driver's license or identification card. The
57.9 commissioner must design the preapplication so that the applicant must enter information
57.10 required for the application. The preapplication process must generate a list of documents
57.11 the applicant is required to submit in person at the time of the application. At the time an
57.12 individual schedules an appointment to apply for a driver's license or identification card,
57.13 the commissioner, full-service provider, or driver's license agent who is scheduling the
57.14 appointment must provide to the applicant a link to the preapplication website.

57.15 (b) An applicant who submitted a preapplication is required to appear in person before
57.16 the commissioner, a full-service provider, or a driver's license agent to submit a completed
57.17 application for the driver's license or identification card.

57.18 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2023.

57.19 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.061, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

57.20 Subd. 4. **Fee; equipment.** (a) The agent may charge and retain a filing fee of ~~\$8~~ for each
57.21 application: as follows:

57.22 (1) New application for a noncompliant, REAL ID-compliant, or \$ 16.00
57.23 enhanced driver's license or identification card

57.24 (2) Renewal application for a noncompliant, REAL ID-compliant, or \$ 11.00
57.25 enhanced driver's license or identification card

57.26 Except as provided in paragraph (c), the fee ~~shall~~ must cover all expenses involved in
57.27 receiving, accepting, or forwarding to the department the applications and fees required
57.28 under sections 171.02, subdivision 3; 171.06, subdivisions 2 and 2a; and 171.07, subdivisions
57.29 3 and 3a.

57.30 (b) The statutory fees and the filing fees imposed under paragraph (a) may be paid by
57.31 credit card or debit card. The driver's license agent may collect a convenience fee on the
57.32 statutory fees and filing fees not greater than the cost of processing a credit card or debit
57.33 card transaction. The convenience fee must be used to pay the cost of processing credit card

58.1 and debit card transactions. The commissioner ~~shall~~ must adopt rules to administer this
58.2 paragraph using the exempt procedures of section 14.386, except that section 14.386,
58.3 paragraph (b), does not apply.

58.4 (c) The department ~~shall~~ must maintain the photo identification and vision examination
58.5 equipment for all agents ~~appointed as of January 1, 2000. Upon the retirement, resignation,~~
58.6 ~~death, or discontinuance of an existing agent, and if a new agent is appointed in an existing~~
58.7 ~~office pursuant to Minnesota Rules, chapter 7404, and notwithstanding the above or~~
58.8 ~~Minnesota Rules, part 7404.0400, the department shall provide and maintain photo~~
58.9 ~~identification equipment without additional cost to a newly appointed agent in that office~~
58.10 ~~if the office was provided the equipment by the department before January 1, 2000. All~~
58.11 photo identification and vision examination equipment must be compatible with standards
58.12 established by the department.

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

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

58.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective October 1, 2023, and applies to
58.23 applications made on or after that date.

58.24 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.0705, is amended by adding a subdivision
58.25 to read:

58.26 Subd. 11. **Manual and study material availability.** The commissioner must publish
58.27 the driver's manual and study support materials for the written exam and skills exam. The
58.28 study support materials must focus on the subjects and skills that are most commonly failed
58.29 by exam takers. The commissioner must ensure that the driver's manual and study support
58.30 materials are easily located and are available for no cost.

58.31 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

59.1 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.12, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

59.2 Subd. 1a. **Driver and vehicle services information system; security and auditing.** (a)

59.3 The commissioner must establish written procedures to ensure that only individuals
59.4 authorized by law may enter, update, or access not public data collected, created, or
59.5 maintained by the driver and vehicle services information system. An authorized individual's
59.6 ability to enter, update, or access data in the system must correspond to the official duties
59.7 or training level of the individual and to the statutory authorization granting access for that
59.8 purpose. All queries and responses, and all actions in which data are entered, updated,
59.9 accessed, shared, or disseminated, must be recorded in a data audit trail. Data contained in
59.10 the audit trail are public to the extent the data are not otherwise classified by law.

59.11 (b) If the commissioner ~~must immediately and permanently revoke the authorization of~~
59.12 ~~any~~ determines that an individual who willfully entered, updated, accessed, shared, or
59.13 disseminated data in violation of state or federal law, the commissioner must impose
59.14 disciplinary action. If an individual willfully gained access to data without authorization by
59.15 law, the commissioner must forward the matter to the appropriate prosecuting authority for
59.16 prosecution. The commissioner must not impose disciplinary action against an individual
59.17 who properly accessed data to complete an authorized transaction or to resolve an issue that
59.18 did not result in a completed authorized transaction.

59.19 (c) The commissioner must establish a process that allows an individual who was subject
59.20 to disciplinary action to appeal the action. If the commissioner imposes disciplinary action,
59.21 the commissioner must notify the individual in writing of the action, explain the reason for
59.22 the action, and explain how to appeal the action. The commissioner must transmit the
59.23 notification within five calendar days of the action.

59.24 (d) The commissioner must arrange for an independent biennial audit of the driver and
59.25 vehicle services information system to determine whether data currently in the system are
59.26 classified correctly, how the data are used, and to verify compliance with this subdivision.
59.27 The results of the audit are public. No later than 30 days following completion of the audit,
59.28 the commissioner must provide a report summarizing the audit results to the commissioner
59.29 of administration; the chairs and ranking minority members of the committees of the house
59.30 of representatives and the senate with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance,
59.31 public safety, and data practices; and the Legislative Commission on Data Practices and
59.32 Personal Data Privacy. The report must be submitted as required under section 3.195, except
59.33 that printed copies are not required.

60.1 (e) For purposes of this subdivision, "disciplinary action" means a formal or informal
60.2 disciplinary measure, including but not limited to requiring corrective action or suspending
60.3 or revoking the individual's access to the driver and vehicle information system.

60.4 (f) An individual whose access was permanently revoked under this section between
60.5 October 1, 2018, and September 30, 2023, based on the commissioner's determination that
60.6 the individual willfully entered, updated, accessed, shared, or disseminated data in violation
60.7 of state or federal law, may apply to the commissioner for reinstatement of their access. An
60.8 individual convicted of a crime related to the conduct that resulted in permanent revocation
60.9 of their access is ineligible to reapply for access under this section. Any individual reapplying
60.10 for access must submit the request in writing to the commissioner no later than June 30,
60.11 2024, and the request must contain:

60.12 (1) written documentation that demonstrates the individual is currently employed at an
60.13 agency or entity that requires access for the employee to conduct their work duties;

60.14 (2) written documentation that demonstrates the individual is in compliance with all
60.15 existing requirements to be considered eligible for access, including completion of required
60.16 background checks;

60.17 (3) a signed statement from their employer acknowledging the employer is aware that
60.18 the individual's access was previously revoked and any future violations of state or federal
60.19 law may again result in permanent revocation of access; and

60.20 (4) a signed statement from the individual describing:

60.21 (i) their understanding of appropriate use of the system data under state and federal laws;
60.22 and

60.23 (ii) the remedial steps they have taken to ensure no future misuse occurs.

60.24 The commissioner must respond in writing to the individual's request for access within 90
60.25 days of receipt of the request. The commissioner's decision under this section is final and
60.26 an individual applying under this section is not entitled to further review.

60.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective October 1, 2023. Paragraphs (b), (c),
60.28 and (e) apply to audits of data use that are open on or after October 1, 2023. Paragraph (f)
60.29 is effective October 1, 2023, and applies to requests made on or after that date.

60.30 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.13, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

60.31 Subdivision 1. **Examination subjects and locations; provisions for color blindness,**
60.32 **disabled veterans.** (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the commissioner shall

61.1 must examine each applicant for a driver's license by such agency as the commissioner
61.2 directs. This examination must include:

61.3 (1) a test of the applicant's eyesight, provided that this requirement is met by submission
61.4 of a vision examination certificate under section 171.06, subdivision 7;

61.5 (2) a test of the applicant's ability to read and understand highway signs regulating,
61.6 warning, and directing traffic;

61.7 (3) a test of the applicant's knowledge of (i) traffic laws; (ii) the effects of alcohol and
61.8 drugs on a driver's ability to operate a motor vehicle safely and legally, and of the legal
61.9 penalties and financial consequences resulting from violations of laws prohibiting the
61.10 operation of a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs; (iii) railroad
61.11 grade crossing safety; (iv) slow-moving vehicle safety; (v) laws relating to pupil
61.12 transportation safety, including the significance of school bus lights, signals, stop arm, and
61.13 passing a school bus; (vi) traffic laws related to bicycles; and (vii) the circumstances and
61.14 dangers of carbon monoxide poisoning;

61.15 (4) an actual demonstration of ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the
61.16 operation of a motor vehicle; and

61.17 (5) other physical and mental examinations as the commissioner finds necessary to
61.18 determine the applicant's fitness to operate a motor vehicle safely upon the highways.

61.19 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), the commissioner must not deny an application for
61.20 a driver's license based on the exclusive grounds that the applicant's eyesight is deficient in
61.21 color perception or that the applicant has been diagnosed with diabetes mellitus. War veterans
61.22 operating motor vehicles especially equipped for disabled persons, if otherwise entitled to
61.23 a license, must be granted such license.

61.24 ~~(c) The commissioner shall make provision for giving the examinations under this~~
61.25 ~~subdivision either in the county where the applicant resides or at a place adjacent thereto~~
61.26 ~~reasonably convenient to the applicant.~~

61.27 ~~(d) The commissioner shall ensure that an applicant is able to obtain an appointment for~~
61.28 ~~an examination to demonstrate ability under paragraph (a), clause (4), within 14 days of the~~
61.29 ~~applicant's request if, under the applicable statutes and rules of the commissioner, the~~
61.30 ~~applicant is eligible to take the examination.~~

61.31 (c) The commissioner must ensure that no fewer than the following number of exam
61.32 station locations are available:

61.33 (1) after July 1, 2023, and before July 1, 2024, 93 exam stations;

62.1 (2) after July 1, 2024, and before July 1, 2025, 83 exam stations;

62.2 (3) after July 1, 2025, and before July 1, 2026, 73 exam stations; and

62.3 (4) after July 1, 2026, and thereafter, 60 exam stations.

62.4 The commissioner must ensure that an applicant may take an exam either in the county
62.5 where the applicant resides or in an adjacent county at a reasonably convenient location.

62.6 The schedule for each exam station must be posted on the department's website.

62.7 (d) A located exam station must be open a minimum of one day per week.

62.8 (e) The commissioner must provide real-time information on the department's website
62.9 about the availability and location of exam appointments. The website must show the next
62.10 available exam dates and times for each exam station. The website must also provide an
62.11 option for a person to enter an address to see the date and time of the next available exam
62.12 at each exam station sorted by distance from the address provided. The information must
62.13 be easily accessible and must not require a person to sign in or provide any other information,
62.14 except an address, in order to see available exam dates.

62.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023. Paragraph (d) is effective
62.16 July 1, 2026. Paragraph (e) is effective January 1, 2024.

62.17 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.13, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

62.18 Subd. 1a. **Waiver when license issued by another jurisdiction.** (a) If the commissioner
62.19 determines that an applicant 21 years of age or older possesses a valid driver's license issued
62.20 by another state, United States territory, or jurisdiction that requires a comparable
62.21 examination for obtaining a driver's license, the commissioner ~~may~~ must waive the
62.22 ~~requirement~~ requirements that the applicant pass a written knowledge examination and
62.23 demonstrate ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the operation of a motor
62.24 vehicle ~~on determining that the applicant possesses a valid driver's license issued by a~~
62.25 ~~jurisdiction that requires a comparable demonstration for license issuance.~~

62.26 (b) If the commissioner determines that an applicant 21 years of age or older possesses
62.27 a valid driver's license with a two-wheeled vehicle endorsement issued by another state,
62.28 United States territory, or jurisdiction that requires a comparable examination for obtaining
62.29 the endorsement, the commissioner must waive the requirements that the applicant for a
62.30 two-wheeled vehicle endorsement pass a written knowledge examination and demonstrate
62.31 the ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the operation of a motor vehicle.

63.1 (c) For purposes of this subdivision, "jurisdiction" includes, but is not limited to, both
63.2 the active and reserve components of any branch or unit of the United States armed forces,
63.3 and "valid driver's license" includes any driver's license that is recognized by that branch
63.4 or unit as currently being valid, or as having been valid at the time of the applicant's
63.5 separation or discharge from the military within a period of time deemed reasonable and
63.6 fair by the commissioner, up to and including one year past the date of the applicant's
63.7 separation or discharge.

63.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023, and applies to applications
63.9 made on or after that date.

63.10 **Sec. 17. [171.375] STUDENT PASS RATE.**

63.11 (a) For each driver training school, the commissioner must determine the percentage of
63.12 students from that school who pass the written exam or road test on the student's first attempt,
63.13 second attempt, or third or subsequent attempt. The commissioner must publicly post the
63.14 information collected under this section on the department's website. At a minimum, the
63.15 commissioner must update this information on the department's website at least every six
63.16 months. The information must be searchable by the name of a school or a location.

63.17 (b) By January 1 and July 1 of each year, each driver training school must provide to
63.18 the commissioner a list of all students who completed coursework at the school during the
63.19 previous six months.

63.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Paragraph (a) is effective January 1, 2024. Paragraph (b) is
63.21 effective July 1, 2024, and applies to lists submitted on or after that date.

63.22 **Sec. 18. [299A.704] DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES FUND.**

63.23 A driver and vehicle services fund is created in the state treasury. The fund consists of
63.24 accounts and money as specified by law and any other money otherwise donated, allotted,
63.25 or transferred to the fund.

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

63.27 **Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 299A.705, subdivision 1, is amended to read:**

63.28 **Subdivision 1. Driver and vehicle services operating account. (a) The driver and**
63.29 **vehicle services operating account is created in the ~~special revenue~~ driver and vehicle**
63.30 **services fund, consisting of all money from the vehicle services fees specified in chapters**

64.1 168, 168A, and 168D, all money collected under chapter 171, and any other money donated,
64.2 allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account.

64.3 ~~(b)~~ Funds appropriated from the account must be used by the commissioner of public
64.4 safety to administer:

64.5 (1) the vehicle services specified in chapters 168, 168A, and 168D, and section 169.345,
64.6 including:

64.7 ~~(1)~~ (i) designing, producing, issuing, and mailing vehicle registrations, plates, emblems,
64.8 and titles;

64.9 ~~(2)~~ (ii) collecting title and registration taxes and fees;

64.10 ~~(3)~~ (iii) transferring vehicle registration plates and titles;

64.11 ~~(4)~~ (iv) maintaining vehicle records;

64.12 ~~(5)~~ (v) issuing disability certificates and plates;

64.13 ~~(6)~~ (vi) licensing vehicle dealers;

64.14 ~~(7)~~ (vii) appointing, monitoring, and auditing deputy registrars; and

64.15 ~~(8)~~ (viii) inspecting vehicles when required by law; and

64.16 (2) the driver services specified in chapters 169A and 171, including the activities
64.17 associated with producing and mailing drivers' licenses and identification cards and notices
64.18 relating to issuance, renewal, or withdrawal of driving and identification card privileges for
64.19 any fiscal year or years and for the testing and examination of drivers.

64.20 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 299A.705, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

64.21 Subd. 3. **Driver and vehicle services technology account.** (a) The driver and vehicle
64.22 services technology account is created in the ~~special revenue~~ driver and vehicle services
64.23 fund, consisting of the technology surcharge collected as specified in chapters 168, 168A,
64.24 and 171; the filing fee revenue collected under section 168.33, subdivision 7; and any other
64.25 money donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account.

64.26 (b) Money in the account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of public safety
64.27 for the development, deployment, and maintenance of the driver and vehicle services
64.28 information systems.

64.29 (c) By January 15 of each year, the commissioner must submit a report to the chairs and
64.30 ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation
64.31 policy and finance concerning the account, which must include information on (1) total

65.1 revenue deposited in the driver and vehicle services technology account, with a breakdown
65.2 by sources of funds; and (2) an estimate of ongoing system maintenance costs, including a
65.3 breakdown of the amounts spent by category.

65.4 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 299A.705, is amended by adding a subdivision
65.5 to read:

65.6 Subd. 5. Full-service provider account. (a) The full-service provider account is created
65.7 in the driver and vehicle services fund, consisting of surcharges described in section 168.33,
65.8 subdivision 7, and any other money donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to
65.9 the account.

65.10 (b) Money in the account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of public safety
65.11 to distribute to full-service providers, as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 12a, and
65.12 deputy registrars. The commissioner must distribute the money in the account as quarterly
65.13 payments to each full-service provider and deputy registrar that was in operation during the
65.14 previous quarter based proportionally on the total number of transactions completed by each
65.15 full-service provider and deputy registrar. For the purposes of the distribution calculation
65.16 in this paragraph, the number of transactions completed by a deputy registrar must first be
65.17 multiplied by 0.2.

65.18 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2023, and the first quarterly
65.19 distribution must be made on or before October 15, 2023.

65.20 Sec. 22. REPORT; DEPUTY REGISTRAR AND DRIVER'S LICENSE AGENT
65.21 FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY.

65.22 By July 1, 2024, the commissioner of public safety must report to the chairs and ranking
65.23 minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation finance
65.24 and policy an evaluation of deputy registrar and driver's license agent operations in the
65.25 vehicle registration and driver's licensing system. The commissioner must engage with
65.26 stakeholders in preparing and developing the report. The report, at a minimum, must:

65.27 (1) evaluate the current performance and impact of the quality of services provided by
65.28 private deputy registrars and driver's license agents to the residents of Minnesota;

65.29 (2) evaluate and make recommendations on how to implement financial sustainability
65.30 for private deputy registrars;

65.31 (3) detail the amount of financial assistance necessary to sustain a permanent role for
65.32 private deputy registrars and driver's license agents;

66.1 (4) explain each proposed model of financial assistance or support for deputy registrars;

66.2 (5) detail a five-, ten-, and 20-year analysis on the role of deputy registrars and driver's
66.3 license agents in the vehicle registration and driver's licensing system;

66.4 (6) evaluate and make recommendations on the long-term and market-rate financial
66.5 assistance necessary to transition away from private deputy registrars and driver's license
66.6 agents;

66.7 (7) explain and make recommendations on proposed legislation on the Division of Driver
66.8 and Vehicle Services assuming all of the services provided by private deputy registrars and
66.9 driver's license agents;

66.10 (8) identify and evaluate whether the Division of Driver and Vehicle Services has
66.11 sufficient financial resources to assume all the services provided by private deputy registrars
66.12 and driver's license agents; and

66.13 (9) propose legislation and make recommendations on fees and appropriations needed
66.14 for the Division of Driver and Vehicle Services to assume all services provided by deputy
66.15 registrars and driver's license agents.

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

66.17 Sec. 23. **REPORT; DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES RECOMMENDATIONS.**

66.18 (a) By January 15, 2024, the commissioner of public safety must report to the chairs and
66.19 ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation
66.20 finance and policy on driver and vehicle services recommendations and operations. The
66.21 report must:

66.22 (1) review recommendations from the independent expert review of driver and vehicle
66.23 services issued January 12, 2022, as identified under paragraph (b);

66.24 (2) review the recommendations made to the commissioner in the legislative auditor's
66.25 report on driver examination stations issued in March 2021;

66.26 (3) provide the commissioner's plan for exam station locations, including how many
66.27 exam stations will remain open and the locations of the exam stations;

66.28 (4) identify whether any limited driver's license agents are unable to become full-service
66.29 providers because of the restrictions in Minnesota Statutes, section 171.061, and Minnesota
66.30 Rules, chapter 7404, and, if so, whether the commissioner would recommend any exceptions
66.31 to allow the limited driver's license agent to participate in the fee-sharing provisions of this
66.32 act; and

- 67.1 (5) propose any statutory changes necessary or beneficial in implementing
67.2 recommendations under clauses (1) and (2).
- 67.3 (b) The report must include information on the independent expert review
67.4 recommendations to:
- 67.5 (1) revise the deputy registrar and driver's license agent contracts to encourage all deputy
67.6 registrars and driver's license agents to become or remain full-service providers as defined
67.7 in Minnesota Statutes, section 168.002, subdivision 12a;
- 67.8 (2) determine how best to utilize certified and impartial third parties for administration
67.9 of knowledge and road tests;
- 67.10 (3) implement data and reporting practices to assist the commissioner in making decisions
67.11 focused on the residents of the state;
- 67.12 (4) conduct a staffing review that balances staff quantity and quality, leverages technology
67.13 automations and configurations, and establishes performance standards and targets that
67.14 meet the needs of the state;
- 67.15 (5) identify performance and service standards and create a deputy registrar performance
67.16 scorecard and a driver's license agent performance scorecard that monitors user performance
67.17 to ensure a consistently positive experience for Minnesotans;
- 67.18 (6) provide a rapid response communication method for situations where deputy registrars
67.19 or driver's license agents need immediate support;
- 67.20 (7) explore ways to speed up background checks of new employees at the Division of
67.21 Driver and Vehicle Services offices and deputy registrar offices, including using a police
67.22 department or county sheriff;
- 67.23 (8) promote the preapplication process and expand the use of preapplications to all
67.24 possible, relevant areas;
- 67.25 (9) evaluate and make recommendations to the legislature on areas where it is appropriate
67.26 to make preapplications mandatory;
- 67.27 (10) adjust policies and practices to automate as many approval transactions as possible;
- 67.28 (11) determine the proper user level field needed by transaction type and explore
67.29 additional differentiated user levels in MNDRIVE;
- 67.30 (12) allow deputy registrars to have increased visibility to and influence on the
67.31 MNDRIVE enhancement process;

68.1 (13) engage a learning consultant and create a content strategy and communications
68.2 campaign to meet the needs of Minnesota residents, including a feedback loop for continuous
68.3 improvement and evolution;

68.4 (14) provide additional training and clear guidance regarding permissible use of records
68.5 and enable in-application notation of usage other than for paid transactions;

68.6 (15) consider what security measures are appropriate at each deputy registrar or driver's
68.7 license agent location, including the possible need for a security officer or for cameras with
68.8 recording capabilities;

68.9 (16) offer training in de-escalation and negotiation techniques to all public-facing staff;

68.10 (17) examine the potential of allowing online applications for replacement class D drivers'
68.11 licenses;

68.12 (18) conduct an analysis to determine whether extending the validity of a class D driver's
68.13 license would benefit the residents of the state and make recommendations to the legislature
68.14 on a renewal fee structure for renewal periods longer than four years but not more than nine
68.15 years;

68.16 (19) explore options to encourage people to conduct transactions online or in person
68.17 instead of by mail; and

68.18 (20) study the feasibility of splitting revenue from mail or online vehicle transactions
68.19 between the commissioner and deputy registrars and full-service providers.

68.20 (c) For each of the recommendations under paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (2), and
68.21 paragraph (b), the report must specify the status from one of the following categories:

68.22 (1) the recommendation is under ongoing active consideration or review, including to:

68.23 (i) describe the current state of the analysis; and

68.24 (ii) provide the anticipated timeline to conclude the review;

68.25 (2) the recommendation is in the process of being implemented, including to:

68.26 (i) describe how the recommendation is being implemented;

68.27 (ii) provide the anticipated timeline for implementation; and

68.28 (iii) provide an estimated cost of implementing the recommendation;

68.29 (3) the recommendation has been implemented, including to:

68.30 (i) describe when and how the recommendation was implemented;

- 69.1 (ii) describe the outcome of implementing the recommendation; and
- 69.2 (iii) provide an estimated cost of implementing the recommendation; or
- 69.3 (4) the recommendation will not be implemented, including to:
- 69.4 (i) provide a detailed explanation of why the recommendation will not be implemented;
- 69.5 (ii) provide an estimated cost to implement the recommendation;
- 69.6 (iii) provide an estimated timeline to implement the recommendation; and
- 69.7 (iv) describe any unmet needs that, if met, would allow the commissioner to implement
- 69.8 the recommendation.
- 69.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

69.10 ARTICLE 5

69.11 DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES CONFORMING CHANGES

69.12 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.013, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

69.13 Subd. 8. **Tax proceeds to highway user fund; fee proceeds to vehicle services**

69.14 **account.** (a) Unless otherwise specified in this chapter, the net proceeds of the registration

69.15 tax imposed under this chapter must be collected by the commissioner, paid into the state

69.16 treasury, and credited to the highway user tax distribution fund.

69.17 (b) All fees collected under this chapter, unless otherwise specified, must be deposited

69.18 in the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~ under section

69.19 299A.705.

69.20 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.1293, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

69.21 Subd. 7. **Deposit of fee; appropriation.** The commissioner shall deposit the application

69.22 fee under subdivision 2, paragraph (a), clause (3), in the driver and vehicle services operating

69.23 account ~~of the special revenue fund~~ under section 299A.705. An amount sufficient to pay

69.24 the department's cost in implementing and administering this section, including payment

69.25 of refunds under subdivision 4, is appropriated to the commissioner from that account.

69.26 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.1295, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

69.27 Subd. 5. **Contribution and fees credited.** Contributions under subdivision 1, paragraph

69.28 (a), clause (5), must be paid to the commissioner and credited to the state parks and trails

69.29 donation account established in section 85.056. The other fees collected under this section

70.1 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~of the special revenue~~
70.2 ~~fund~~ under section 299A.705.

70.3 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.1296, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

70.4 Subd. 5. **Contribution and fees credited.** Contributions under subdivision 1, paragraph
70.5 (a), clause (5), must be paid to the commissioner and credited to the Minnesota critical
70.6 habitat private sector matching account established in section 84.943. The fees collected
70.7 under this section must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~of~~
70.8 ~~the special revenue fund~~ under section 299A.705.

70.9 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.1298, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

70.10 Subd. 5. **Contribution and fees credited.** Contributions under subdivision 1, paragraph
70.11 (a), clause (5), must be paid to the commissioner and credited to the Minnesota "Support
70.12 Our Troops" account established in section 190.19. The fees collected under this section
70.13 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue~~
70.14 ~~fund~~ under section 299A.705.

70.15 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.27, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

70.16 Subd. 11. **Dealers' licenses; location change notice; fee.** (a) Application for a dealer's
70.17 license or notification of a change of location of the place of business on a dealer's license
70.18 must include a street address, not a post office box, and is subject to the commissioner's
70.19 approval.

70.20 (b) Upon the filing of an application for a dealer's license and the proper fee, unless the
70.21 application on its face appears to be invalid, the commissioner shall grant a 90-day temporary
70.22 license. During the 90-day period following issuance of the temporary license, the
70.23 commissioner shall inspect the place of business site and insure compliance with this section
70.24 and rules adopted under this section.

70.25 (c) The commissioner may extend the temporary license 30 days to allow the temporarily
70.26 licensed dealer to come into full compliance with this section and rules adopted under this
70.27 section.

70.28 (d) In no more than 120 days following issuance of the temporary license, the dealer
70.29 license must either be granted or denied.

70.30 (e) A license must be denied under the following conditions:

71.1 (1) The license must be denied if within the previous ten years the applicant was enjoined
71.2 due to a violation of section 325F.69 or convicted of violating section 325E.14, 325E.15,
71.3 325E.16, or 325F.69, or convicted under section 609.53 of receiving or selling stolen
71.4 vehicles, or convicted of violating United States Code, title 49, sections 32701 to 32711 or
71.5 pleaded guilty, entered a plea of nolo contendere or no contest, or has been found guilty in
71.6 a court of competent jurisdiction of any charge of failure to pay state or federal income or
71.7 sales taxes or felony charge of forgery, embezzlement, obtaining money under false pretenses,
71.8 theft by swindle, extortion, conspiracy to defraud, or bribery.

71.9 (2) A license must be denied if the applicant has had a dealer license revoked within the
71.10 previous ten years.

71.11 (f) If the application is approved, the commissioner shall license the applicant as a dealer
71.12 for one year from the date the temporary license is granted and issue a certificate of license
71.13 that must include a distinguishing number of identification of the dealer. The license must
71.14 be displayed in a prominent place in the dealer's licensed place of business.

71.15 (g) Each initial application for a license must be accompanied by a fee of \$100 in addition
71.16 to the annual fee. The annual fee is \$150. The initial fees and annual fees must be paid into
71.17 the state treasury and credited to the general fund except that \$50 of each initial and annual
71.18 fee must be paid into the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue~~
71.19 ~~fund~~ under section 299A.705.

71.20 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.326, is amended to read:

71.21 **168.326 EXPEDITED DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES; FEE.**

71.22 (a) When an applicant requests and pays an expedited service fee of \$20, in addition to
71.23 other specified and statutorily mandated fees and taxes, the commissioner shall expedite
71.24 the processing of an application for a driver's license, driving instruction permit, Minnesota
71.25 identification card, or vehicle title transaction.

71.26 (b) A driver's license agent or deputy registrar may retain \$10 of the expedited service
71.27 fee for each expedited service request processed by the licensing agent or deputy registrar.

71.28 (c) When expedited service is requested, materials must be mailed or delivered to the
71.29 requester within three days of receipt of the expedited service fee excluding Saturdays,
71.30 Sundays, or the holidays listed in section 645.44, subdivision 5. The requester shall comply
71.31 with all relevant requirements of the requested document.

71.32 (d) The commissioner may decline to accept an expedited service request if it is apparent
71.33 at the time it is made that the request cannot be granted.

72.1 (e) The expedited service fees collected under this section ~~for an application for a driver's~~
72.2 ~~license, driving instruction permit, or Minnesota identification card~~ minus any portion
72.3 retained by a licensing agent or deputy registrar under paragraph (b) must be paid into the
72.4 driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund specified under~~
72.5 section 299A.705.

72.6 ~~(f) The expedited service fees collected under this section for a transaction for a vehicle~~
72.7 ~~service minus any portion retained by a licensing agent or deputy registrar under paragraph~~
72.8 ~~(b) must be paid into the vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund~~
72.9 ~~specified under section 299A.705.~~

72.10 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.327, subdivision 5b, is amended to read:

72.11 Subd. 5b. **Custom data request record fees.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision,
72.12 "custom data request records" means a total of 1,000 or more (1) vehicle title records, (2)
72.13 vehicle registration records, or (3) driver's license records.

72.14 (b) The commissioner must charge a fee of \$0.02 per record for custom data request
72.15 records.

72.16 (c) Of the fees collected for custom data request records:

72.17 (1) 20 percent must be credited:

72.18 ~~(i) for vehicle title or registration records, to the driver and vehicle services operating~~
72.19 ~~account under section 299A.705, subdivision 1, and is appropriated to the commissioner~~
72.20 ~~for the purposes of this subdivision; and~~

72.21 ~~(ii) for driver's license records, to the driver services operating account under section~~
72.22 ~~299A.705, subdivision 2, and is appropriated to the commissioner for the purposes of this~~
72.23 ~~subdivision;~~

72.24 (2) 30 percent must be credited to the data security account in the special revenue fund
72.25 under section 3.9741, subdivision 5; and

72.26 (3) 50 percent must be credited to the driver and vehicle services technology account
72.27 under section 299A.705, subdivision 3.

72.28 (d) The commissioner may impose an additional fee for technical staff to create a custom
72.29 set of data under this subdivision.

73.1 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.381, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

73.2 Subd. 4. **Appropriations.** (a) Money appropriated to the Department of Public Safety
73.3 to procure the plates for any fiscal year or years is available for allotment, encumbrance,
73.4 and expenditure from and after the date of the enactment of the appropriation. Materials
73.5 and equipment used in the manufacture of plates are subject only to the approval of the
73.6 commissioner.

73.7 (b) This section contemplates that money to be appropriated to the Department of Public
73.8 Safety to carry out the terms and provisions of this section will be appropriated by the
73.9 legislature from the highway user tax distribution fund.

73.10 (c) A sum sufficient is appropriated annually from the driver and vehicle services
73.11 operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~ under section 299A.705 to the commissioner
73.12 to pay the costs of purchasing, delivering, and mailing plates, registration stickers, and
73.13 registration notices.

73.14 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168A.152, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

73.15 Subd. 2. **Inspection fee; proceeds allocated.** (a) A fee of \$35 must be paid to the
73.16 department before the department issues a certificate of title for a vehicle that has been
73.17 inspected and for which a certificate of inspection has been issued pursuant to subdivision
73.18 1. The only additional fee that may be assessed for issuing the certificate of title is the filing
73.19 fee imposed under section 168.33, subdivision 7.

73.20 (b) Of the fee collected by the department under this subdivision, for conducting
73.21 inspections under subdivision 1, \$20 must be deposited in the general fund and the remainder
73.22 of the fee collected must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account
73.23 ~~in the special revenue fund as specified in~~ under section 299A.705.

73.24 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168A.29, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

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

73.26 (1) for filing an application for and the issuance of an original certificate of title, \$8.25,
73.27 of which \$4.15 must be paid into the driver and vehicle services operating account under
73.28 section 299A.705, subdivision 1, and a surcharge of \$2.25 must be added to the fee and
73.29 credited to the driver and vehicle services technology account under section 299A.705,
73.30 subdivision 3;

73.31 (2) for each security interest when first noted upon a certificate of title, including the
73.32 concurrent notation of any assignment thereof and its subsequent release or satisfaction,

74.1 \$2, except that no fee is due for a security interest filed by a public authority under section
74.2 168A.05, subdivision 8;

74.3 (3) for each assignment of a security interest when first noted on a certificate of title,
74.4 unless noted concurrently with the security interest, \$1; and

74.5 (4) for issuing a duplicate certificate of title, \$7.25, of which \$3.25 must be paid into
74.6 the driver and vehicle services operating account under section 299A.705, subdivision 1,
74.7 and a surcharge of \$2.25 must be added to the fee and credited to the driver and vehicle
74.8 services technology account under section 299A.705, subdivision 3.

74.9 (b) In addition to the fee required under paragraph (a), clause (1), the department must
74.10 be paid \$3.50. The additional \$3.50 fee collected under this paragraph must be deposited
74.11 in the special revenue fund and credited to the public safety motor vehicle account established
74.12 in section 299A.70.

74.13 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168A.31, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

74.14 Subd. 2. **Expenses; appropriation.** All necessary expenses incurred by the department
74.15 for the administration of sections 168A.01 to 168A.31 must be paid from money in the
74.16 driver and vehicle services operating account ~~of the special revenue fund as specified in~~
74.17 under section 299A.705, and such funds are hereby appropriated.

74.18 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168D.06, is amended to read:

74.19 **168D.06 FUEL LICENSE FEES.**

74.20 License fees paid to the commissioner under the International Fuel Tax Agreement must
74.21 be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~
74.22 under section 299A.705. The commissioner shall charge an annual fuel license fee of \$15,
74.23 an annual application filing fee of \$13 for quarterly reporting of fuel tax, and a reinstatement
74.24 fee of \$100 to reinstate a revoked International Fuel Tax Agreement license.

74.25 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168D.07, is amended to read:

74.26 **168D.07 FUEL DECAL FEE.**

74.27 The commissioner shall issue a decal or other identification to indicate compliance with
74.28 the International Fuel Tax Agreement. The commissioner shall collect a fee for the decal
74.29 or other identification in the amount established in section 168.12, subdivision 5. Decal or
74.30 other identification fees paid to the commissioner under this section must be deposited in

75.1 the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~ under section
75.2 299A.705.

75.3 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169A.60, subdivision 16, is amended to read:

75.4 Subd. 16. **Fees credited.** Fees collected from the sale or reinstatement of license plates
75.5 under this section must be paid into the state treasury and credited one-half to the driver
75.6 and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund specified in~~ under section
75.7 299A.705 and one-half to the general fund.

75.8 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.07, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

75.9 Subd. 11. **Standby or temporary custodian.** (a) Upon the written request of the applicant
75.10 and upon payment of an additional fee of \$4.25, the department shall issue a driver's license
75.11 or Minnesota identification card bearing a symbol or other appropriate identifier indicating
75.12 that the license holder has appointed an individual to serve as a standby or temporary
75.13 custodian under chapter 257B.

75.14 (b) The request must be accompanied by a copy of the designation executed under section
75.15 257B.04.

75.16 (c) The department shall maintain a computerized records system of all individuals listed
75.17 as standby or temporary custodians by driver's license and identification card applicants.
75.18 This data must be released to appropriate law enforcement agencies under section 13.69.
75.19 Upon a parent's request and payment of a fee of \$4.25, the department shall revise its list
75.20 of standby or temporary custodians to reflect a change in the appointment.

75.21 (d) At the request of the license or cardholder, the department shall cancel the standby
75.22 or temporary custodian indication without additional charge. However, this paragraph does
75.23 not prohibit a fee that may be applicable for a duplicate or replacement license or card,
75.24 renewal of a license, or other service applicable to a driver's license or identification card.

75.25 (e) Notwithstanding sections 13.08, subdivision 1, and 13.69, the department and
75.26 department employees are conclusively presumed to be acting in good faith when employees
75.27 rely on statements made, in person or by telephone, by persons purporting to be law
75.28 enforcement and subsequently release information described in paragraph (b). When acting
75.29 in good faith, the department and department personnel are immune from civil liability and
75.30 not subject to suit for damages resulting from the release of this information.

75.31 (f) The department and its employees:

76.1 (1) have no duty to inquire or otherwise determine whether a designation submitted
76.2 under this subdivision is legally valid and enforceable; and

76.3 (2) are immune from all civil liability and not subject to suit for damages resulting from
76.4 a claim that the designation was not legally valid and enforceable.

76.5 (g) Of the fees received by the department under this subdivision:

76.6 (1) Up to \$61,000 received must be deposited in the general fund.

76.7 (2) All other fees must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account
76.8 ~~in the special revenue fund specified in~~ under section 299A.705.

76.9 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.13, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

76.10 Subd. 7. **Examination fees.** (a) A fee of \$10 must be paid by an individual to take a
76.11 third and any subsequent knowledge test administered by the department if the individual
76.12 has failed two previous consecutive knowledge tests on the subject.

76.13 (b) A fee of \$20 must be paid by an individual to take a third and any subsequent skills
76.14 or road test administered by the department if the individual has previously failed two
76.15 consecutive skill or road tests in a specified class of motor vehicle.

76.16 (c) A fee of \$20 must be paid by an individual who fails to appear for a scheduled skills
76.17 or road test or who cancels a skills or road test within 24 hours of the appointment time.

76.18 (d) All fees received under this subdivision must be paid into the state treasury and
76.19 credited to the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~
76.20 ~~specified~~ under section 299A.705.

76.21 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.26, is amended to read:

76.22 **171.26 MONEY CREDITED TO FUNDS.**

76.23 Subdivision 1. **Driver and vehicle services operating account.** Unless otherwise
76.24 specified, all money received under this chapter must be paid into the state treasury and
76.25 credited to the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~
76.26 ~~specified~~ under sections section 299A.705, ~~except as provided in subdivision 2 of that~~
76.27 ~~section; 171.06, subdivision 2a; 171.07, subdivision 11, paragraph (g); 171.20, subdivision~~
76.28 ~~4, paragraph (d); and 171.29, subdivision 2, paragraph (b).~~

77.1 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.29, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

77.2 Subd. 2. **Reinstatement fees and surcharges allocated and appropriated.** (a) An
77.3 individual whose driver's license has been revoked by reason of one or more convictions,
77.4 pleas of guilty, forfeitures of bail not vacated, or mandatory revocations under section
77.5 169.791, 169.792, 169.797, 171.17, or 171.172, and who is otherwise eligible for
77.6 reinstatement must pay a single \$30 fee before the driver's license is reinstated. An individual
77.7 whose driver's license has been revoked under provisions specified in both this paragraph
77.8 and paragraph (b) must pay the reinstatement fee as provided in paragraph (b).

77.9 (b) A person whose driver's license has been revoked under section 169A.52, 169A.54,
77.10 171.177, 609.2112, 609.2113, or 609.2114, or Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 609.21,
77.11 must pay a \$250 fee plus a \$430 surcharge for each instance of revocation before the driver's
77.12 license is reinstated, except as provided in paragraph (f). The \$250 fee must be credited as
77.13 follows:

77.14 (1) 20 percent to the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue~~
77.15 ~~fund as specified in~~ under section 299A.705;

77.16 (2) 67 percent to the general fund;

77.17 (3) eight percent to a separate account to be known as the Bureau of Criminal
77.18 Apprehension account. Money in this account is annually appropriated to the commissioner
77.19 of public safety and the appropriated amount must be apportioned 80 percent for laboratory
77.20 costs and 20 percent for carrying out the provisions of section 299C.065; and

77.21 (4) five percent to a separate account to be known as the vehicle forfeiture account,
77.22 which is created in the special revenue fund. The money in the account is annually
77.23 appropriated to the commissioner for costs of handling vehicle forfeitures.

77.24 (c) The revenue from \$50 of the surcharge must be credited to a separate account to be
77.25 known as the traumatic brain injury and spinal cord injury account. The revenue from \$50
77.26 of the surcharge on a reinstatement under paragraph (f) is credited from the first installment
77.27 payment to the traumatic brain injury and spinal cord injury account. The money in the
77.28 account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of health to be used as follows: 83
77.29 percent for contracts with a qualified community-based organization to provide information,
77.30 resources, and support to assist persons with traumatic brain injury and their families to
77.31 access services, and 17 percent to maintain the traumatic brain injury and spinal cord injury
77.32 registry created in section 144.662. For the purposes of this paragraph, a "qualified
77.33 community-based organization" is a private, not-for-profit organization of consumers of
77.34 traumatic brain injury services and their family members. The organization must be registered

78.1 with the United States Internal Revenue Service under section 501(c)(3) as a tax-exempt
78.2 organization and must have as its purposes:

78.3 (1) the promotion of public, family, survivor, and professional awareness of the incidence
78.4 and consequences of traumatic brain injury;

78.5 (2) the provision of a network of support for persons with traumatic brain injury, their
78.6 families, and friends;

78.7 (3) the development and support of programs and services to prevent traumatic brain
78.8 injury;

78.9 (4) the establishment of education programs for persons with traumatic brain injury; and

78.10 (5) the empowerment of persons with traumatic brain injury through participation in its
78.11 governance.

78.12 A patient's name, identifying information, or identifiable medical data must not be disclosed
78.13 to the organization without the informed voluntary written consent of the patient or patient's
78.14 guardian or, if the patient is a minor, of the parent or guardian of the patient.

78.15 (d) The remainder of the surcharge must be credited to a separate account to be known
78.16 as the remote electronic alcohol-monitoring program account. The commissioner shall
78.17 transfer the balance of this account to the commissioner of management and budget on a
78.18 monthly basis for deposit in the general fund.

78.19 (e) When these fees are collected by a driver's license agent, appointed under section
78.20 171.061, a filing fee is imposed in the amount specified under section 171.061, subdivision
78.21 4. The reinstatement fees, surcharge, and filing fee must be deposited in an approved
78.22 depository as directed under section 171.061, subdivision 4.

78.23 (f) A person whose driver's license has been revoked as provided in subdivision 1 under
78.24 section 169A.52, 169A.54, or 171.177 may choose to pay 50 percent and an additional \$25
78.25 of the total amount of the surcharge and 50 percent of the fee required under paragraph (b)
78.26 to reinstate the person's driver's license, provided the person meets all other requirements
78.27 of reinstatement. If a person chooses to pay 50 percent of the total and an additional \$25,
78.28 the driver's license must expire after two years. The person must pay an additional 50 percent
78.29 less \$25 of the total to extend the license for an additional two years, provided the person
78.30 is otherwise still eligible for the license. After this final payment of the surcharge and fee,
78.31 the license may be renewed on a standard schedule, as provided under section 171.27. A
78.32 filing fee may be imposed for each installment payment. Revenue from the filing fee is

79.1 credited to the driver and vehicle services operating account ~~in the special revenue fund~~
79.2 under section 299A.705 and is appropriated to the commissioner.

79.3 (g) Any person making installment payments under paragraph (f), whose driver's license
79.4 subsequently expires, or is canceled, revoked, or suspended before payment of 100 percent
79.5 of the surcharge and fee, must pay the outstanding balance due for the initial reinstatement
79.6 before the driver's license is subsequently reinstated. Upon payment of the outstanding
79.7 balance due for the initial reinstatement, the person may pay any new surcharge and fee
79.8 imposed under paragraph (b) in installment payments as provided under paragraph (f).

79.9 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.36, is amended to read:

79.10 **171.36 LICENSE FEES; RENEWAL.**

79.11 All licenses expire one year from the date of issuance and may be renewed upon
79.12 application to the commissioner. Each application for an original or renewal school license
79.13 must be accompanied by a fee of \$150 and each application for an original or renewal
79.14 instructor's license must be accompanied by a fee of \$50. The license fees collected under
79.15 sections 171.33 to 171.41 must be paid into the driver and vehicle services operating account
79.16 ~~in the special revenue fund specified~~ under section 299A.705. A license fee must not be
79.17 refunded in the event that the license is rejected or revoked.

79.18 Sec. 21. **REVISOR INSTRUCTION.**

79.19 The revisor of statutes must change the terms "driver services operating account" and
79.20 "vehicle services operating account" to "driver and vehicle services operating account"
79.21 wherever the terms appear in Minnesota Statutes.

79.22 Sec. 22. **REPEALER.**

79.23 Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 168.121, subdivision 5; 168.1282, subdivision 5;
79.24 168.1294, subdivision 5; 168.1299, subdivision 4; and 299A.705, subdivision 2, are repealed.

79.25 **ARTICLE 6**

79.26 **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL GOVERNANCE AND OPERATIONS**

79.27 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 151.37, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

79.28 Subd. 12. **Administration of opiate antagonists for drug overdose.** (a) A licensed
79.29 physician, a licensed advanced practice registered nurse authorized to prescribe drugs

80.1 pursuant to section 148.235, or a licensed physician assistant may authorize the following
80.2 individuals to administer opiate antagonists, as defined in section 604A.04, subdivision 1:

- 80.3 (1) an emergency medical responder registered pursuant to section 144E.27;
- 80.4 (2) a peace officer as defined in section 626.84, subdivision 1, paragraphs (c) and (d);
- 80.5 (3) correctional employees of a state or local political subdivision;
- 80.6 (4) staff of community-based health disease prevention or social service programs;
- 80.7 (5) a volunteer firefighter; ~~and~~
- 80.8 (6) a licensed school nurse or certified public health nurse employed by, or under contract
80.9 with, a school board under section 121A.21; and
- 80.10 (7) transit rider investment program personnel authorized under section 473.4075.

80.11 (b) For the purposes of this subdivision, opiate antagonists may be administered by one
80.12 of these individuals only if:

- 80.13 (1) the licensed physician, licensed physician assistant, or licensed advanced practice
80.14 registered nurse has issued a standing order to, or entered into a protocol with, the individual;
80.15 and
- 80.16 (2) the individual has training in the recognition of signs of opiate overdose and the use
80.17 of opiate antagonists as part of the emergency response to opiate overdose.

80.18 (c) Nothing in this section prohibits the possession and administration of naloxone
80.19 pursuant to section 604A.04.

80.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

80.21 **Sec. 2. [174.48] CONSTRUCTION OF NONARTERIAL BUS RAPID TRANSIT**
80.22 **FACILITIES.**

80.23 If a planned bus rapid transit line has either a total estimated construction cost of more
80.24 than \$100,000,000 or will operate substantially within separated rights-of-way, the
80.25 commissioner is the responsible authority and must construct bus rapid transit facilities and
80.26 infrastructure in the metropolitan area. The commissioner must ensure any construction
80.27 project subject to this section is constructed in compliance with applicable plans and designs
80.28 adopted by the Metropolitan Council.

80.29 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
80.30 applies to all bus rapid transit projects excluding the Gold Line bus rapid transit project.

81.1 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 357.021, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

81.2 Subd. 6. **Surcharges on criminal and traffic offenders.** (a) Except as provided in this
81.3 subdivision, the court shall impose and the court administrator shall collect a \$75 surcharge
81.4 on every person convicted of any felony, gross misdemeanor, misdemeanor, or petty
81.5 misdemeanor offense, other than a violation of: (1) a law or ordinance relating to vehicle
81.6 parking, for which there shall be is a \$12 surcharge; and (2) section 609.855, subdivision
81.7 1, 3, or 3a, for which there is a \$25 surcharge. When a defendant is convicted of more than
81.8 one offense in a case, the surcharge shall be imposed only once in that case. In the Second
81.9 Judicial District, the court shall impose, and the court administrator shall collect, an additional
81.10 \$1 surcharge on every person convicted of any felony, gross misdemeanor, misdemeanor,
81.11 or petty misdemeanor offense, including a violation of a law or ordinance relating to vehicle
81.12 parking, if the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the \$1 surcharge. The
81.13 surcharge shall be imposed whether or not the person is sentenced to imprisonment or the
81.14 sentence is stayed. The surcharge shall not be imposed when a person is convicted of a petty
81.15 misdemeanor for which no fine is imposed.

81.16 (b) The court may reduce the amount or waive payment of the surcharge required under
81.17 this subdivision on a showing of indigency or undue hardship upon the convicted person
81.18 or the convicted person's immediate family. Additionally, the court may permit the defendant
81.19 to perform community work service in lieu of a surcharge.

81.20 (c) The court administrator or other entity collecting a surcharge shall forward it to the
81.21 commissioner of management and budget.

81.22 (d) If the convicted person is sentenced to imprisonment and has not paid the surcharge
81.23 before the term of imprisonment begins, the chief executive officer of the correctional
81.24 facility in which the convicted person is incarcerated shall collect the surcharge from any
81.25 earnings the inmate accrues from work performed in the facility or while on conditional
81.26 release. The chief executive officer shall forward the amount collected to the court
81.27 administrator or other entity collecting the surcharge imposed by the court.

81.28 (e) A person who enters a diversion program, continuance without prosecution,
81.29 continuance for dismissal, or stay of adjudication for a violation of chapter 169 must pay
81.30 the surcharge described in this subdivision. A surcharge imposed under this paragraph shall
81.31 be imposed only once per case.

81.32 (f) The surcharge does not apply to administrative citations issued pursuant to section
81.33 169.999.

82.1 (g) The surcharge does not apply to administrative citations issued by transit rider
82.2 investment program personnel pursuant to section 473.4075.

82.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and applies to violations
82.4 committed on or after that date.

82.5 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 357.021, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

82.6 Subd. 7. **Disbursement of surcharges by commissioner of management and**
82.7 **budget.** (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) to (d), the commissioner of management
82.8 and budget shall disburse surcharges received under subdivision 6 as follows:

82.9 (1) one percent shall be credited to the peace officer training account in the game and
82.10 fish fund to provide peace officer training for employees of the Department of Natural
82.11 Resources who are licensed under sections 626.84 to 626.863, and who possess peace officer
82.12 authority for the purpose of enforcing game and fish laws; and

82.13 (2) 99 percent shall be credited to the general fund.

82.14 (b) The commissioner of management and budget shall credit \$3 of each surcharge
82.15 received under subdivision 6 to the general fund.

82.16 (c) In addition to any amounts credited under paragraph (a), the commissioner of
82.17 management and budget shall credit the following to the general fund: \$47 of each surcharge
82.18 received under subdivision 6 ~~and; the \$12 parking surcharge, to the general fund; and the~~
82.19 \$25 surcharge for a violation of section 609.855, subdivision 1, 3, or 3a.

82.20 (d) If the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes imposition of the additional
82.21 \$1 surcharge provided for in subdivision 6, paragraph (a), the court administrator in the
82.22 Second Judicial District shall transmit the surcharge to the commissioner of management
82.23 and budget. The \$1 special surcharge is deposited in a Ramsey County surcharge account
82.24 in the special revenue fund and amounts in the account are appropriated to the trial courts
82.25 for the administration of the petty misdemeanor diversion program operated by the Second
82.26 Judicial District Ramsey County Violations Bureau.

82.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and applies to violations
82.28 committed on or after that date.

82.29 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.146, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

82.30 Subdivision 1. **Requirement.** The council shall adopt a long-range comprehensive policy
82.31 plan for transportation, climate action, and wastewater treatment. The plans must substantially

83.1 conform to all policy statements, purposes, goals, standards, and maps in the development
83.2 guide developed and adopted by the council under this chapter. Each policy plan must
83.3 include, to the extent appropriate to the functions, services, and systems covered, the
83.4 following:

83.5 (1) forecasts of changes in the general levels and distribution of population, households,
83.6 employment, land uses, and other relevant matters, for the metropolitan area and appropriate
83.7 subareas;

83.8 (2) a statement of issues, problems, needs, and opportunities with respect to the functions,
83.9 services, and systems covered;

83.10 (3) a statement of the council's goals, objectives, and priorities with respect to the
83.11 functions, services, and systems covered, addressing areas and populations to be served,
83.12 the levels, distribution, and staging of services; a general description of the facility systems
83.13 required to support the services; the estimated cost of improvements required to achieve
83.14 the council's goals for the regional systems, including an analysis of what portion of the
83.15 funding for each improvement is proposed to come from the state, Metropolitan Council
83.16 levies, and cities, counties, and towns in the metropolitan area, respectively, and other
83.17 similar matters;

83.18 (4) a statement of policies to effectuate the council's goals, objectives, and priorities;

83.19 (5) a statement of the fiscal implications of the council's plan, including a statement of:
83.20 (i) the resources available under existing fiscal policy; (ii) the adequacy of resources under
83.21 existing fiscal policy and any shortfalls and unattended needs; (iii) additional resources, if
83.22 any, that are or may be required to effectuate the council's goals, objectives, and priorities;
83.23 and (iv) any changes in existing fiscal policy, on regional revenues and intergovernmental
83.24 aids respectively, that are expected or that the council has recommended or may recommend;

83.25 (6) a statement of the relationship of the policy plan to other policy plans and chapters
83.26 of the Metropolitan Development Guide;

83.27 (7) a statement of the relationships to local comprehensive plans prepared under sections
83.28 473.851 to 473.871; ~~and~~

83.29 (8) additional general information as may be necessary to develop the policy plan or as
83.30 may be required by the laws relating to the metropolitan agency and function covered by
83.31 the policy plan; and

83.32 (9) forecasts pertaining to greenhouse gas emissions that are generated from activity
83.33 that occurs within local jurisdictions, including from transportation, land use, energy use,

84.1 solid waste, livestock, and agriculture and the estimated impact of strategies that reduce or
84.2 naturally sequester greenhouse gas emissions across sectors.

84.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
84.4 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
84.5 Scott, and Washington.

84.6 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.146, is amended by adding a subdivision to
84.7 read:

84.8 Subd. 5. **Development guide; climate action.** The climate action chapter must include
84.9 policies that describe how metropolitan system plans, as defined under section 473.852,
84.10 subdivision 8, meet greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals established by the state under
84.11 section 216H.02, subdivision 1, and transportation targets established by the commissioner
84.12 of transportation, including vehicle miles traveled reduction targets established in the
84.13 statewide multimodal transportation plan under section 174.03, subdivision 1a.

84.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
84.15 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
84.16 Scott, and Washington.

84.17 Sec. 7. **[473.248] METROPOLITAN AREA ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION**
84.18 **PROGRAM.**

84.19 Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "active transportation" means
84.20 bicycling, pedestrian activities, and other forms of nonmotorized transportation.

84.21 Subd. 2. **Program established.** Subject to available funds received under section
84.22 473.4465, the council must establish a program to support active transportation within the
84.23 metropolitan area.

84.24 Subd. 3. **Program administration.** (a) The council must establish active transportation
84.25 program requirements, including:

84.26 (1) assistance eligibility, subject to the requirements under subdivision 4;

84.27 (2) a solicitation and application process that minimizes the burden on applicants; and

84.28 (3) procedures to award and pay financial assistance.

84.29 (b) The council must annually conduct a solicitation for active transportation projects
84.30 under this program.

85.1 (c) The council must make reasonable efforts to publicize each application solicitation
85.2 among all eligible recipients. The council must assist applicants to create and submit
85.3 applications, with an emphasis on providing assistance in communities that are historically
85.4 and currently underrepresented in local or regional planning, including communities of
85.5 color, low-income households, people with disabilities, and people with limited English
85.6 proficiency.

85.7 (d) The council may provide grants or other financial assistance for a project.

85.8 (e) The council is prohibited from expending more than one percent of available funds
85.9 in a fiscal year under this section on program administration.

85.10 Subd. 4. **Eligibility.** An eligible recipient of financial assistance under this section
85.11 includes:

85.12 (1) a political subdivision; or

85.13 (2) a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as
85.14 amended.

85.15 Subd. 5. **Use of funds.** The council must determine permissible uses of financial
85.16 assistance under this section, which are limited to:

85.17 (1) construction and maintenance of bicycle, trail, and pedestrian infrastructure, including
85.18 but not limited to safe routes to school infrastructure and bicycle facilities and centers; and

85.19 (2) noninfrastructure programming, including activities as specified in section 174.40,
85.20 subdivision 7a, paragraph (b).

85.21 Subd. 6. **Project evaluation and selection.** The council must establish a project
85.22 evaluation and selection committee. The chair of the council must appoint one city council
85.23 member or mayor from each council district to serve on the committee. The committee must
85.24 establish a process to select projects that are competitive, criteria-based, and objective. The
85.25 process must include criteria and prioritization of projects based on:

85.26 (1) the project's inclusion in a municipal or regional nonmotorized transportation system
85.27 plan;

85.28 (2) the extent to which policies or practices of the political subdivision encourage and
85.29 promote complete street planning, design, and construction;

85.30 (3) the extent to which the project supports connections between communities and to
85.31 key destinations within a community;

85.32 (4) identified barriers or deficiencies in the nonmotorized transportation system;

86.1 (5) identified safety or health benefits;

86.2 (6) geographic equity in project benefits, with an emphasis on communities that are
86.3 historically and currently underrepresented in local or regional planning; and

86.4 (7) the ability of a grantee to maintain the active transportation infrastructure following
86.5 project completion.

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

86.7 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.3994, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

86.8 Subd. 1a. **Designation of responsible authority.** For each proposed light rail transit
86.9 facility in the metropolitan area, the governor must designate ~~either the Metropolitan Council~~
86.10 ~~or~~ the state of Minnesota acting through the commissioner of transportation as the entity
86.11 responsible for planning, designing, acquiring, constructing, and equipping the facility.
86.12 ~~Notwithstanding such designation, The commissioner and the council may enter into one~~
86.13 ~~or more cooperative agreements with the Metropolitan Council with respect to the planning,~~
86.14 ~~designing, acquiring, constructing, or equipping of a particular light rail transit facility that~~
86.15 ~~provide for the parties to exercise their respective authorities in support of the project in a~~
86.16 ~~manner that best serves the project and the public.~~

86.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
86.18 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

86.19 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.3994, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

86.20 Subd. 4. **Preliminary design plans; council hearing.** If the governing body of one or
86.21 more cities, counties, or towns disapproves the preliminary design plans within the period
86.22 allowed under subdivision 3, the council shall hold a hearing on the plans, giving the
86.23 commissioner of transportation, ~~if the responsible authority,~~ any disapproving local
86.24 governmental units, and other persons an opportunity to present their views on the plans.
86.25 The council may conduct independent study as it deems desirable and may mediate and
86.26 attempt to resolve disagreements about the plans. Within 60 days after the hearing, the
86.27 council shall review the plans and shall decide what amendments to the plans, if any, must
86.28 be made to accommodate the objections presented by the disapproving local governmental
86.29 units. Amendments to the plans as decided by the council must be made before continuing
86.30 the planning and designing process.

86.31 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
86.32 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

87.1 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.3994, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

87.2 Subd. 7. **Council review.** ~~If the commissioner is the responsible authority,~~ Before
87.3 proceeding with construction of a light rail transit facility, the commissioner must submit
87.4 preliminary and final design plans to the Metropolitan Council. The council must review
87.5 the plans for consistency with the council's development guide and approve the plans.

87.6 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
87.7 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

87.8 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.3994, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

87.9 Subd. 9. **Light rail transit operating costs.** (a) Before submitting an application for
87.10 federal assistance for light rail transit facilities in the metropolitan area, the Metropolitan
87.11 Council must prepare an estimate of the amount of operating subsidy which will be required
87.12 to operate light rail transit in the corridor to which the federal assistance would be applied.
87.13 The estimate must indicate the amount of operating subsidy estimated to be required in each
87.14 of the first ten years of operation of the light rail transit facility. ~~If the commissioner of~~
87.15 ~~transportation is the responsible authority,~~ The commissioner must provide information
87.16 requested by the council that is necessary to make the estimate.

87.17 (b) The council must review and evaluate the estimate developed under paragraph (a)
87.18 with regard to the effect of operating the light rail transit facility on the currently available
87.19 mechanisms for financing transit in the metropolitan area.

87.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
87.21 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

87.22 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.3994, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

87.23 Subd. 14. **Transfer of facility after construction.** ~~If the commissioner of transportation~~
87.24 ~~is the responsible authority for a particular light rail transit facility,~~ The commissioner must
87.25 transfer to the Metropolitan Council all facilities constructed and all equipment and property
87.26 acquired in developing ~~the~~ a particular light rail transit facility upon completion of
87.27 construction.

87.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
87.29 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

88.1 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.3995, is amended to read:

88.2 **473.3995 LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT; DESIGN-BUILD METHOD.**

88.3 (a) A responsible authority may use a design-build method of project development and
88.4 construction for light rail transit. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a responsible
88.5 authority may award a design-build contract on the basis of requests for proposals or requests
88.6 for qualifications without bids. "Design-build method of project development and
88.7 construction" means a project delivery system in which a single contractor is responsible
88.8 for both the design and construction of the project and bids the design and construction
88.9 together.

88.10 (b) If a responsible authority utilizes a design-build method of project development and
88.11 construction for light rail transit, the requirements and procedures in sections 161.3410 to
88.12 161.3426 apply to the procurement, subject to the following conditions and exceptions:

88.13 ~~(1) if the Metropolitan Council is the responsible authority for a particular light rail~~
88.14 ~~transit project, when used in sections 161.3410 to 161.3426, (i) the terms "commissioner,"~~
88.15 ~~"Minnesota Department of Transportation," "department," "state agencies," and "road~~
88.16 ~~authority" refer to the Metropolitan Council, and (ii) the term "state" refers to the~~
88.17 ~~Metropolitan Council except in references to state law or in references to the state as a~~
88.18 ~~geographical location;~~

88.19 ~~(2)~~ (1) the provisions of section 161.3412, subdivisions 3 and 4, are not applicable to
88.20 the procurement; and

88.21 ~~(3)~~ (2) if any federal funds are used in developing or constructing the light rail transit
88.22 project, any provisions in sections 161.3410 to 161.3426 that are inconsistent with, or
88.23 prohibited by, any federal law, regulation, or other requirement are not applicable to the
88.24 procurement.

88.25 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
88.26 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

88.27 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.3997, is amended to read:

88.28 **473.3997 FEDERAL FUNDING; LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT.**

88.29 (a) Upon completion of the alternatives analysis and draft environmental impact statement,
88.30 and selection of the locally preferred alternative, for each light rail transit facility, the
88.31 responsible authority may prepare an application for federal assistance for the light rail
88.32 transit facility. ~~If the commissioner is the responsible authority,~~ The application must be

89.1 reviewed and approved by the Metropolitan Council before it is submitted by the
89.2 commissioner. In reviewing the application the council must consider the operating cost
89.3 estimate developed under section 473.3994, subdivision 9.

89.4 (b) Except for the designated responsible authority for a particular light rail transit
89.5 facility, no political subdivision in the metropolitan area may on its own apply for federal
89.6 assistance for light rail transit planning or construction.

89.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
89.8 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

89.9 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.405, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

89.10 Subd. 4. **Transit systems.** Except as provided by sections 174.48 and 473.3993 to
89.11 473.3997, the council may engineer, construct, equip, and operate transit and paratransit
89.12 systems, projects, or any parts thereof, including road lanes or rights-of-way, terminal
89.13 facilities, maintenance and garage facilities, ramps, parking areas, and any other facilities
89.14 useful for or related to any public transit or paratransit system or project. The council may
89.15 sell or lease naming rights with regard to light rail transit stations and apply revenues from
89.16 sales or leases to light rail transit operating costs.

89.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
89.18 applies to projects that enter into full funding grant agreements on or after that date.

89.19 Sec. 16. **[473.4065] TRANSIT RIDER ACTIVITY.**

89.20 Subdivision 1. **Code of conduct; establishment.** (a) The council must adopt a rider
89.21 code of conduct for transit passengers. The council must post a copy of the code of conduct
89.22 in a prominent location at each light rail transit station, bus rapid transit station, and transit
89.23 center.

89.24 (b) The rider code of conduct must include a prohibition on:

89.25 (1) operating a radio, television, tape player, electronic musical instrument, or other
89.26 electronic device other than a watch, which amplifies music, unless the sound emanates
89.27 only from earphones or headphones and except that vehicle operators may operate electronic
89.28 equipment for official business;

89.29 (2) consuming food or beverages, except when authorized by the operator or other
89.30 authorized transit official; and

89.31 (3) carrying or being in control of an animal without the operator's consent.

90.1 (c) The code of conduct must not prohibit sleeping in a manner that does not otherwise
90.2 violate conduct requirements.

90.3 Subd. 2. **Code of conduct; violations.** An authorized transit representative, as defined
90.4 in section 609.855, subdivision 7, paragraph (g), may order a person to depart a transit
90.5 vehicle or transit facility for a violation of the rider code of conduct established under
90.6 subdivision 1 if the person continues to act in violation of the code of conduct after being
90.7 warned once to stop.

90.8 Subd. 3. **Paid fare zones.** The council must establish and clearly designate paid fare
90.9 zones at each light rail transit station where the council utilizes self-service barrier-free fare
90.10 collection.

90.11 Subd. 4. **Light rail transit facility monitoring.** (a) The council must implement and
90.12 maintain public safety monitoring and response activities at light rail transit facilities that
90.13 include:

90.14 (1) placement of security cameras and sufficient associated lighting that provide live
90.15 coverage for (i) the entire area at each light rail transit station, and (ii) each light rail transit
90.16 vehicle;

90.17 (2) installation of a public address system at each light rail transit station that is capable
90.18 of providing information and warnings to passengers; and

90.19 (3) real-time active monitoring of passenger activity and potential violations throughout
90.20 the light rail transit system.

90.21 (b) The monitoring activities must include timely maintenance or replacement of
90.22 malfunctioning cameras or public address systems.

90.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
90.24 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
90.25 Scott, and Washington.

90.26 Sec. 17. **[473.4075] TRANSIT RIDER INVESTMENT PROGRAM.**

90.27 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms and the
90.28 terms defined in section 609.855, subdivision 7, have the meanings given.

90.29 (b) "Transit official" means an individual who is authorized as TRIP personnel, a
90.30 community service officer, or a peace officer as defined in section 626.84, subdivision 1,
90.31 paragraph (c).

91.1 (c) "TRIP personnel" means persons specifically authorized by the council for the transit
91.2 rider investment program under this section, including but not limited to fare inspection
91.3 and enforcement, who are not peace officers or community service officers.

91.4 (d) "TRIP" or "program" means the transit rider investment program established in this
91.5 section.

91.6 Subd. 2. **Program established.** (a) Subject to available funds, the council must implement
91.7 a transit rider investment program that provides for TRIP personnel deployment, fare payment
91.8 inspection, administrative citation issuance, rider education and assistance, and improvements
91.9 to the transit experience.

91.10 (b) As part of program implementation, the council must:

91.11 (1) adopt a resolution that establishes the program and establishes fine amounts in
91.12 accordance with subdivision 8;

91.13 (2) establish policies and procedures that govern authorizing and training TRIP personnel,
91.14 TRIP personnel uniforms, issuing an administrative citation, and contesting an administrative
91.15 citation;

91.16 (3) consult with stakeholders on the design of the program;

91.17 (4) develop a TRIP personnel recruitment plan that includes informing and supporting
91.18 potential applicants who are:

91.19 (i) representative of transit users; and

91.20 (ii) from cultural, ethnic, and racial communities that are historically underrepresented
91.21 in state or local public service;

91.22 (5) develop a TRIP personnel strategic deployment plan that:

91.23 (i) requires teams of at least two individuals; and

91.24 (ii) targets deployment to times and locations with identified concentrations of activity
91.25 that are subject to administrative citations, other citations, or arrest or that negatively impact
91.26 the rider experience; and

91.27 (6) provide for training to peace officers who provide law enforcement assistance under
91.28 an agreement with the council on the program and issuance of administrative citations.

91.29 Subd. 3. **TRIP manager.** The council must appoint a TRIP manager to manage the
91.30 program. The TRIP manager must have managerial experience in social services, transit
91.31 service, or law enforcement. The TRIP manager is a TRIP personnel staff member.

92.1 Subd. 4. **TRIP personnel; duties; requirements.** (a) The duties of the TRIP personnel
92.2 include:

92.3 (1) monitoring and responding to passenger activity including:

92.4 (i) educating passengers and specifying expectations related to the council's rider code
92.5 of conduct; and

92.6 (ii) assisting passengers in obtaining social services, such as through information and
92.7 referrals;

92.8 (2) acting as a liaison to social service agencies;

92.9 (3) providing information to passengers on using the transit system;

92.10 (4) providing direct navigation assistance and accompaniment to passengers who have
92.11 a disability, are elderly, or request enhanced personal aid;

92.12 (5) performing fare payment inspections;

92.13 (6) issuing administrative citations as provided in subdivision 6; and

92.14 (7) obtaining assistance from peace officers or community service officers as necessary.

92.15 (b) An individual who is authorized as TRIP personnel must be an employee of the
92.16 council and must wear the uniform as established by the council at all times when on duty.

92.17 Subd. 5. **TRIP personnel; training.** Training for TRIP personnel must include the
92.18 following topics:

92.19 (1) early warning techniques, crisis intervention, conflict de-escalation, and conflict
92.20 resolution;

92.21 (2) identification of persons likely in need of social services;

92.22 (3) locally available social service providers, including services for homelessness, mental
92.23 health, and addiction;

92.24 (4) policies and procedures for administrative citations; and

92.25 (5) administration of opiate antagonists in a manner that meets the requirements under
92.26 section 151.37, subdivision 12.

92.27 Subd. 6. **Administrative citations; authority; issuance.** (a) A transit official has the
92.28 exclusive authority to issue an administrative citation to a person who commits a violation
92.29 under section 609.855, subdivision 1 or 3.

93.1 (b) An administrative citation must include notification that the person has the right to
93.2 contest the citation, basic procedures for contesting the citation, and information on the
93.3 timeline and consequences for failure to contest the citation or pay the fine.

93.4 (c) The council must not mandate or suggest a quota for the issuance of administrative
93.5 citations under this section.

93.6 (d) Issuance and resolution of an administrative citation is a bar to prosecution under
93.7 section 609.855, subdivision 1 or 3, or for any other violation arising from the same conduct.

93.8 Subd. 7. **Administrative citations; disposition.** (a) A person who commits a violation
93.9 under section 609.855, subdivision 1 or 3, and is issued an administrative citation under
93.10 this section must, within 90 days of issuance, pay the fine as specified or contest the citation.
93.11 A person who fails to either pay the fine or contest the citation within the specified period
93.12 is considered to have waived the contested citation process and is subject to collections.

93.13 (b) The council must provide a civil process for a person to contest the administrative
93.14 citation before a neutral third party. The council may employ a council employee not
93.15 associated with its transit operations to hear and rule on challenges to administrative citations
93.16 or may contract with another unit of government or a private entity to provide the service.

93.17 (c) The council may contract with credit bureaus, public and private collection agencies,
93.18 the Department of Revenue, and other public or private entities providing collection services
93.19 as necessary for the collection of fine debts under this section. As determined by the council,
93.20 collection costs are added to the debts referred to a public or private collection entity for
93.21 collection. Collection costs include the fees of the collection entity and may include, if
93.22 separately provided, skip tracing fees, credit bureau reporting charges, and fees assessed
93.23 by any public entity for obtaining information necessary for debt collection. If the collection
93.24 entity collects an amount less than the total due, the payment is applied proportionally to
93.25 collection costs and the underlying debt.

93.26 Subd. 8. **Administrative citations; penalties.** (a) The amount of a fine under this section
93.27 must be set at no less than \$35 and no more than \$100.

93.28 (b) Subject to paragraph (a), the council may adopt a graduated structure that increases
93.29 the fine amount for second and subsequent violations.

93.30 (c) The council may adopt an alternative resolution procedure under which a person
93.31 may resolve an administrative citation in lieu of paying a fine by complying with terms
93.32 established by the council for community service, prepayment of future transit fares, or
93.33 both. The alternative resolution procedure must be available only to a person who has

94.1 committed a violation under section 609.855, subdivision 1 or 3, for the first time, unless
94.2 the person demonstrates financial hardship under criteria established by the council.

94.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, except
94.4 that subdivisions 1 and 3 are effective the day following final enactment. This section applies
94.5 in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

94.6 Sec. 18. **[473.4077] LEGISLATIVE REPORT; TRANSIT SAFETY AND RIDER**
94.7 **EXPERIENCE.**

94.8 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section, the terms defined in section
94.9 473.4075 have the meanings given.

94.10 Subd. 2. **Legislative report.** (a) Annually by February 15, the council must submit a
94.11 report on transit safety and rider experience to the chairs and ranking minority members of
94.12 the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance.

94.13 (b) At a minimum, the report must:

94.14 (1) provide an overview of transit safety issues and actions taken by the council to
94.15 improve safety, including improvements made to equipment and infrastructure;

94.16 (2) provide an overview of the rider code of conduct and measures required under section
94.17 473.4065;

94.18 (3) provide an overview of the transit rider investment program under section 473.4075
94.19 and the program's structure and implementation;

94.20 (4) provide an overview of the activities of transit rider investment program personnel,
94.21 including specifically describing the activities of uniformed transit safety officials;

94.22 (5) provide a description of all policies adopted pursuant to section 473.4075, the need
94.23 for each policy, and a copy of each policy;

94.24 (6) if the council adopted an alternative resolution procedure pursuant to section 473.4075,
94.25 subdivision 5, provide:

94.26 (i) a description of that procedure;

94.27 (ii) the criteria used to determine financial hardship; and

94.28 (iii) for each of the previous three calendar years, how frequently the procedure was
94.29 used, the number of community service hours performed, and the total amount paid as
94.30 prepayment of transit fares;

94.31 (7) for each of the previous three calendar years:

95.1 (i) identify the number of fare compliance inspections that were completed including
95.2 the total number and the number as a percentage of total rides;

95.3 (ii) state the number of warnings and citations issued by the Metro Transit Police
95.4 Department and transit agents, including a breakdown of which type of officer or official
95.5 issued the citation, the statutory authority for issuing the warning or citation, the reason
95.6 given for each warning or citation issued, and the total number of times each reason was
95.7 given;

95.8 (iii) state the number of administrative citations that were appealed pursuant to section
95.9 473.4075, the number of those citations that were dismissed on appeal, and a breakdown
95.10 of the reasons for dismissal;

95.11 (iv) include data and statistics on crime rates occurring on public transit vehicles and
95.12 surrounding transit stops and stations;

95.13 (v) state the number of peace officers employed by the Metro Transit Police Department;

95.14 (vi) state the average number of peace officers employed by the Metro Transit Police
95.15 Department; and

95.16 (vii) state the number of uniformed transit safety officials and community service officers
95.17 who served as transit agents;

95.18 (8) analyze impacts of the transit rider investment program on fare compliance and
95.19 customer experience for riders, including rates of fare violations; and

95.20 (9) make recommendations on the following:

95.21 (i) changes to the administrative citation program; and

95.22 (ii) methods to improve safety on public transit and at transit stops and stations.

95.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and
95.24 applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

95.25 **Sec. 19. [473.453] COMPLETE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS; LEGISLATIVE**
95.26 **REPORT.**

95.27 Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 471.345 and 473.3994, if the Metropolitan
95.28 Council is the responsible authority of a transit project with a total project cost of greater
95.29 than \$50,000,000, the council must notify the chairs and ranking minority members of the
95.30 legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation finance and policy at least 30
95.31 days before bidding commences if the council's project specifications are incomplete or

96.1 subject to significant additions. The notification must include the council's reasons for
96.2 incomplete project specifications or the reasons why the significant project additions are
96.3 not included in the bidding process.

96.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
96.5 final enactment and applies to bids made on or after October 1, 2023. This section applies
96.6 in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

96.7 Sec. 20. **[473.454] CONTINGENCY PLANS AND RESERVE; REPORT REQUIRED.**

96.8 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 471.345 and 473.3994, a responsible
96.9 authority must establish formal contingency plans for temporarily or permanently stopping
96.10 work if:

96.11 (1) a light rail transit project will not be completed within a year of its scheduled
96.12 completion date;

96.13 (2) total expenditures on the project to date are anticipated to increase by ten percent
96.14 above the most recent cost estimate; or

96.15 (3) any of the responsible authority's civil contractors submits a schedule update with a
96.16 delay of greater than six months from the most recent estimated completion date.

96.17 (b) A contingency plan created under this section must evaluate:

96.18 (1) how the responsible authority will address any increases to the total project cost;

96.19 (2) the impact to any delay to the responsible authority's contingency budget reserves;

96.20 (3) the effect on existing contractual obligations; and

96.21 (4) a new baseline schedule for completion of the project.

96.22 Within 30 days of the contingency plan being created, the responsible authority must submit
96.23 the contingency plan to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative
96.24 committees with jurisdiction over transportation finance and policy.

96.25 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if a responsible authority
96.26 applies for grants from the Federal Transit Administration totaling more than \$50,000,000
96.27 and the Federal Transit Administration institutes an evaluation of the responsible party's
96.28 financial capacity, the responsible authority must report to the chairs and ranking minority
96.29 members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and
96.30 finance. The report must be submitted to the legislature within 30 days of the Federal Transit
96.31 Administration initiating the review. The report must detail how the responsible authority

97.1 plans to provide sufficient funding for unexpected cost overruns and which local authority
97.2 would be responsible for providing the additional funding if necessary.

97.3 (d) A responsible authority may not adopt changes to design or construction plans for
97.4 a light rail transit project without establishing a contingency plan under this section if the
97.5 responsible authority:

97.6 (1) has insufficient funds to complete the light rail transit project; or

97.7 (2) has insufficient funds to halt the light rail transit project.

97.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
97.9 final enactment and applies to bids made on or after October 1, 2023. This section applies
97.10 in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

97.11 Sec. 21. **[473.455] CONTRACT SCHEDULE REQUIREMENTS; REPORT**
97.12 **REQUIRED .**

97.13 Subdivision 1. **Schedule agreement required.** (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of
97.14 sections 471.345 and 473.3994, if the council is the responsible authority for a light rail
97.15 transit project, any agreement between the council and a contractor with respect to
97.16 constructing any portion of a light rail transit project must contain a preliminary construction
97.17 schedule agreement and a proposed general baseline schedule.

97.18 (b) If the council is the responsible authority, the council must consider whether to
97.19 approve a preliminary construction schedule. A preliminary construction schedule agreement
97.20 must contain:

97.21 (1) contractual milestones needed to complete the project within the required interim
97.22 and final completion dates;

97.23 (2) a schedule for the first 180 days of work under the contract; and

97.24 (3) an initial draft baseline schedule that forms the basis of a general baseline schedule
97.25 proposed in paragraph (c).

97.26 (c) Upon approval by the council of a preliminary construction schedule, the contractor
97.27 and the council must evaluate the initial general baseline schedule set forth in paragraph
97.28 (b), clause (3), as the basis for the proposed general baseline schedule. The proposed general
97.29 baseline schedule must establish how the contractor plans to complete all contracted work
97.30 for the light rail transit project and include a detailed scope of work that includes but is not
97.31 limited to a framework that assigns costs and resources for each specifically scheduled task.

98.1 (d) If the council is the responsible authority and approves the proposed general baseline
 98.2 schedule with respect to constructing any portion of a light rail transit project, the contractor
 98.3 must submit monthly written status reports to the council. Any late, repeat, or incomplete
 98.4 submissions by the contractor are considered a nonexcusable delay and entitles the council
 98.5 to stop completed work payments under subdivision 4.

98.6 Subd. 2. **Prohibition.** If the council is the responsible authority for a light rail transit
 98.7 project, construction cannot begin without an accepted general baseline schedule by both
 98.8 the council and the contractor under subdivision 1, paragraph (c). The council and the
 98.9 contractor must approve the preliminary construction schedule before establishing and
 98.10 approving a proposed general baseline schedule.

98.11 Subd. 3. **Conditional approval.** If the council is the responsible authority for a light
 98.12 rail transit project and the contractor proposes revision to either an approved preliminary
 98.13 construction schedule or an accepted general baseline schedule under subdivision 1, paragraph
 98.14 (d), the council must decide whether to approve the proposed revision before issuing any
 98.15 further completed work payment to the contractor. If the council rejects the proposed revision,
 98.16 the council must immediately suspend payments to the contractor.

98.17 Subd. 4. **Enforcement.** An agreement between the council and the contractor with
 98.18 respect to constructing any portion of a light rail transit project must include provisions to
 98.19 allow the council to withhold payments for completed work if the contractor is delinquent
 98.20 under the general baseline schedule requirements in subdivision 1, paragraph (c), and for
 98.21 conditional approval of construction as provided in subdivision 3. Withheld payments under
 98.22 this subdivision must be greater than five percent and less than ten percent of the total
 98.23 payment requested by the contractor.

98.24 Subd. 5. **Report required.** (a) If the council is the responsible authority and a preliminary
 98.25 construction schedule and a general baseline schedule are approved for constructing a portion
 98.26 of a light rail project, the council must submit the preliminary construction schedule and
 98.27 general baseline schedule to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative
 98.28 committees with jurisdiction over transportation finance and policy within 30 days.

98.29 (b) If the council is the responsible authority, and no agreement can be reached on a
 98.30 general baseline schedule under subdivision 1, paragraph (c), the council must submit a
 98.31 report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with
 98.32 jurisdiction over transportation finance and policy within 30 days on the barriers facing
 98.33 approval of the general baseline construction schedule.

99.1 (c) If the council is the responsible authority and receives notification of a proposed
99.2 revision to either the preliminary construction schedule or general baseline schedule under
99.3 subdivision 3, the council must report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the
99.4 legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation finance and policy within 14
99.5 days of the proposed revision on the estimated impact on the project completion date and
99.6 total project cost from the proposed revision. If the council rejects the proposed revision,
99.7 the council must notify the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees
99.8 with jurisdiction over transportation finance and policy within seven days of rejection.

99.9 (d) If the council is the responsible authority and withholds completed work payments
99.10 greater than \$50,000 from a contractor under subdivision 4, the council must report to the
99.11 chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over
99.12 transportation finance and policy within 14 days on the amount withheld, the reasons for
99.13 withholding payment, and the steps needed to address the delay.

99.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
99.15 final enactment and applies to bids made on or after October 1, 2023. This section applies
99.16 in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

99.17 Sec. 22. **[473.456] PEER REVIEW FOR CERTAIN PROJECT ELEMENTS;**
99.18 **LEGISLATIVE REPORTS.**

99.19 (a) For purposes of this section, the term "value analysis" has the meaning given in
99.20 section 174.15, subdivision 3, and the term "value engineering proposal" has the meaning
99.21 given in section 174.15, subdivision 4.

99.22 (b) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, if the Metropolitan Council is the responsible
99.23 authority for a light rail transit project, the council must establish a multiparty peer review
99.24 application to initiate a multiparty peer review process with the Department of Transportation
99.25 and any counties within which a transit project is to be operated. The multiparty peer review
99.26 application must be filed within 180 days of the start date of the contract and every 90 days
99.27 thereafter until the project is completed. The commissioner of transportation must review
99.28 the multiparty peer review application and determine whether to initiate a multiparty peer
99.29 review. In determining whether to initiate a peer review, the commissioner must apply value
99.30 analysis to either (1) the entirety of the light rail transit project, (2) a project element at risk
99.31 of delay or high costs, or (3) any new or substantial work proposed after civil construction
99.32 bidding was completed.

99.33 (c) If the commissioner of transportation determines a value analysis is appropriate after
99.34 reviewing the multiparty peer review application or if the council estimates a project element

100.1 will exceed \$20,000,000, the multiparty peer review must convene and produce a value
100.2 engineering proposal report. The value engineering proposal report must be issued by the
100.3 multiparty peer review within six months after the multiparty peer review is formed. In
100.4 addition to the evaluation under section 174.15, subdivision 4, the report must analyze:

100.5 (1) improvements or efficiencies in construction methods;

100.6 (2) improvements to the change order process;

100.7 (3) an evaluation of contractor oversight and best practices;

100.8 (4) improvements or efficiencies in the procurement process; and

100.9 (5) any contractual issues arising from the transit project.

100.10 (d) With existing resources, the council is responsible for the costs of conducting and
100.11 administering the peer review and value engineering proposal.

100.12 (e) If a value engineering proposal report is submitted under this section, the report must
100.13 be submitted within 30 days to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative
100.14 committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance.

100.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
100.16 final enactment and applies to bids made on or after October 1, 2023. This section applies
100.17 in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

100.18 **Sec. 23. [473.46] PROJECT COMPLETION DELAY NOTIFICATION**
100.19 **REQUIREMENT.**

100.20 (a) Notwithstanding the requirements in Laws 2022, chapter 39, section 2, the responsible
100.21 authority for a light rail transit project must provide status updates on the light rail project
100.22 to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction
100.23 over transportation policy and finance. The status reports must be provided biannually by
100.24 January 1 and July 1 and must include:

100.25 (1) total expenditures on the project during the previous three months as compared to
100.26 projections;

100.27 (2) total expenditures on the project during the next three-, six-, and nine-month intervals;

100.28 (3) total expenditures on the project to date;

100.29 (4) the total project cost estimate; and

100.30 (5) any change in the date of anticipated project completion.

101.1 (b) The responsible authority must notify the chairs and ranking minority members of
101.2 the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance within
101.3 seven calendar days when:

101.4 (1) the authority is deliberating whether a delay in the light rail project completion date
101.5 of three months or more beyond the estimated completion date is likely to occur; and

101.6 (2) the authority is deliberating whether an increase to the total light rail project cost is
101.7 anticipated to increase by \$50,000,000 or five percent or more above the most recent cost
101.8 estimate, whichever is less.

101.9 (c) A responsible authority providing a status report under this section must initiate a
101.10 multiparty peer review as provided under section 473.456 and conduct separate value
101.11 engineering studies for individual project elements expected to cause the delay or increase
101.12 in project cost within 30 days of filing the status report to the legislature.

101.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
101.14 final enactment and applies to bids made on or after October 1, 2023. This section applies
101.15 in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

101.16 **Sec. 24. [473.461] SETTLEMENT EXPENSES; LEGISLATIVE REPORT.**

101.17 If the council is the responsible authority and enters into a settlement agreement with a
101.18 contractor in association with the construction of a light rail transit project, the council must
101.19 submit a settlement expenditure notification to the chairs and ranking minority members of
101.20 the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance within
101.21 21 calendar days. The settlement expenditure notification must include:

101.22 (1) the terms of the settlement agreement;

101.23 (2) the total expenditure of the settlement agreement;

101.24 (3) whether the settlement agreement will lengthen the timeline for construction of the
101.25 light rail project;

101.26 (4) whether the settlement agreement resolves all outstanding disputes between the
101.27 council and the contractor;

101.28 (5) whether the settlement agreement increases estimated project expenses and costs;
101.29 and

101.30 (6) whether the settlement agreement requires the council to participate in alternative
101.31 dispute resolution.

102.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
102.2 final enactment and applies to bids made on or after October 1, 2023. This section applies
102.3 in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

102.4 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.859, is amended by adding a subdivision
102.5 to read:

102.6 Subd. 7. **Climate action plan.** The council must specify how the information in section
102.7 473.146, subdivision 5, must be incorporated into comprehensive plan content.

102.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
102.9 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
102.10 Scott, and Washington.

102.11 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.855, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

102.12 Subdivision 1. **Unlawfully obtaining services; petty misdemeanor.** (a) A person is
102.13 guilty of a petty misdemeanor who intentionally obtains or attempts to obtain service for
102.14 himself, herself, or another person from a provider of public transit or from a public
102.15 conveyance by doing any of the following:

102.16 (1) occupies or rides in any public transit vehicle without paying the applicable fare or
102.17 otherwise obtaining the consent of the transit provider including:

102.18 (i) the use of a reduced fare when a person is not eligible for the fare; or

102.19 (ii) the use of a fare medium issued solely for the use of a particular individual by another
102.20 individual;

102.21 (2) presents a falsified, counterfeit, photocopied, or other deceptively manipulated fare
102.22 medium as fare payment or proof of fare payment;

102.23 (3) sells, provides, copies, reproduces, or creates any version of any fare medium without
102.24 the consent of the transit provider; or

102.25 (4) puts or attempts to put any of the following into any fare box, pass reader, ticket
102.26 vending machine, or other fare collection equipment of a transit provider:

102.27 (i) papers, articles, instruments, or items other than fare media or currency; or

102.28 (ii) a fare medium that is not valid for the place or time at, or the manner in, which it is
102.29 used.

103.1 (b) Where self-service barrier-free fare collection is utilized by a public transit provider,
103.2 it is a violation of this subdivision to intentionally fail to exhibit proof of fare payment upon
103.3 the request of an authorized transit representative when entering, riding upon, or leaving a
103.4 transit vehicle or when present in a designated paid fare zone located in a transit facility.

103.5 (c) A person who violates this subdivision must pay a fine of no more than \$10.

103.6 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and applies to violations
103.7 committed on or after that date.

103.8 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.855, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

103.9 Subd. 3. **Prohibited activities; petty misdemeanor.** ~~(a) A person is guilty of a~~
103.10 ~~misdemeanor who, while riding in a vehicle providing public transit service:~~

103.11 ~~(1) operates a radio, television, tape player, electronic musical instrument, or other~~
103.12 ~~electronic device, other than a watch, which amplifies music, unless the sound emanates~~
103.13 ~~only from earphones or headphones and except that vehicle operators may operate electronic~~
103.14 ~~equipment for official business;~~

103.15 ~~(2) smokes or carries lighted smoking paraphernalia;~~

103.16 ~~(3) consumes food or beverages, except when authorized by the operator or other official~~
103.17 ~~of the transit system;~~

103.18 ~~(4) (a) A person who throws or deposits litter; or while riding in a vehicle providing~~
103.19 ~~public transit service is guilty of a petty misdemeanor.~~

103.20 ~~(5) carries or is in control of an animal without the operator's consent.~~

103.21 (b) A person is guilty of a violation of this subdivision only if the person continues to
103.22 act in violation of this subdivision after being warned once by an authorized transit
103.23 representative to stop the conduct.

103.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and applies to violations
103.25 committed on or after that date.

103.26 Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.855, is amended by adding a subdivision
103.27 to read:

103.28 Subd. 3a. **Prohibited activities; misdemeanor.** (a) A person who performs any of the
103.29 following while in a transit vehicle or at a transit facility is guilty of a misdemeanor:

103.30 (1) smokes, as defined in section 144.413, subdivision 4;

- 104.1 (2) urinates or defecates;
- 104.2 (3) consumes an alcoholic beverage, as defined in section 340A.101, subdivision 2;
- 104.3 (4) damages a transit vehicle or transit facility in a manner that meets the requirements
104.4 for criminal damage to property in the fourth degree under section 609.595, subdivision 3,
104.5 and is otherwise not in violation of section 609.595, subdivision 1, 1a, or 2;
- 104.6 (5) performs vandalism, defacement, and placement of graffiti as defined in section
104.7 617.90, subdivision 1; or
- 104.8 (6) engages in disorderly conduct as specified in section 609.72, subdivision 1, clause
104.9 (3).
- 104.10 (b) A peace officer, as defined in section 626.84, subdivision 1, paragraph (c), may order
104.11 a person to depart a transit vehicle or transit facility for a violation under paragraph (a).
- 104.12 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and applies to violations
104.13 committed on or after that date.
- 104.14 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.855, subdivision 7, is amended to read:
- 104.15 Subd. 7. **Definitions.** (a) The definitions in this subdivision apply in this section.
- 104.16 (b) "Public transit" or "transit" has the meaning given in section 174.22, subdivision 7.
- 104.17 (c) "Public transit vehicle" or "transit vehicle" means any vehicle used for the purpose
104.18 of providing public transit, whether or not the vehicle is owned or operated by a public
104.19 entity.
- 104.20 (d) "Public transit facilities" or "transit facilities" means any vehicles, equipment,
104.21 property, structures, stations, improvements, plants, parking or other facilities, or rights that
104.22 are owned, leased, held, or used for the purpose of providing public transit, whether or not
104.23 the facility is owned or operated by a public entity.
- 104.24 (e) "Fare medium" means a ticket, smart card, pass, coupon, token, transfer, or other
104.25 medium sold or distributed by a public transit provider, or its authorized agents, for use in
104.26 gaining entry to or use of the public transit facilities or vehicles of the provider.
- 104.27 (f) "Proof of fare payment" means a fare medium valid for the place or time at, or the
104.28 manner in, which it is used. If using a reduced-fare medium, proof of fare payment also
104.29 includes proper identification demonstrating a person's eligibility for the reduced fare. If
104.30 using a fare medium issued solely for the use of a particular individual, proof of fare payment

105.1 also includes an identification document bearing a photographic likeness of the individual
105.2 and demonstrating that the individual is the person to whom the fare medium is issued.

105.3 (g) "Authorized transit representative" means the person authorized by the transit provider
105.4 to operate the transit vehicle, a peace officer, a transit official under section 473.4075,
105.5 subdivision 1, or any other person designated by the transit provider as an authorized transit
105.6 provider representative under this section.

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

105.8 Sec. 30. Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article 4, section 143, is amended to
105.9 read:

105.10 Sec. 143. **STUDY ON POST-COVID PANDEMIC PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION.**

105.11 (a) ~~From funds specified under Minnesota Statutes, section 161.53, paragraph (b), the~~
105.12 ~~commissioner of transportation~~ Using existing resources, the Metropolitan Council must
105.13 arrange and pay for a study by the Center for Transportation Studies at the University of
105.14 Minnesota that examines public transportation after the COVID-19 pandemic is substantially
105.15 curtailed in the United States. At a minimum, the study must:

105.16 (1) focus primarily on transit service ~~for commuters in~~ throughout the metropolitan area,
105.17 as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 473.121, subdivision 2;

105.18 (2) specifically review Northstar Commuter Rail and commuter-oriented transit service
105.19 by the Metropolitan Council and by the suburban transit providers; and

105.20 (3) provide analysis and projections for the public transit system in the metropolitan
105.21 area, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 473.121, subdivision 2, on anticipated changes
105.22 in:

105.23 (i) ridership;

105.24 (ii) demand for different modes and forms of active and public transportation;

105.25 (iii) transit service levels and features;

105.26 (iv) revenue and expenditures; and

105.27 (v) long-term impacts.

105.28 (b) By ~~February~~ October 1, 2023 2024, the ~~commissioner~~ chair of the Metropolitan
105.29 Council must provide a copy of the study to the members of the legislative committees with
105.30 jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance.

106.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
106.2 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
106.3 Scott, and Washington.

106.4 Sec. 31. Laws 2022, chapter 39, section 2, is amended to read:

106.5 Sec. 2. **SOUTHWEST LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT; EXPENDITURES AND**
106.6 **SCHEDULE.**

106.7 (a) Annually by January 1 and July 1, the Metropolitan Council must provide status
106.8 updates on the Southwest light rail transit project to the chairs and ranking minority members
106.9 of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance. Each
106.10 status update must include:

106.11 (1) total expenditures on the project during the previous six months as compared to
106.12 projections;

106.13 (2) total expenditures on the project anticipated over the next six months; ~~and~~

106.14 (3) total expenditures on the project to date;

106.15 (4) the total project cost estimate; and

106.16 (5) any change in the date of anticipated project completion.

106.17 (b) The Metropolitan Council must notify the chairs and ranking minority members of
106.18 the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance within
106.19 seven calendar days of making a determination that:

106.20 (1) the anticipated Southwest light rail project completion date is delayed by six months
106.21 or more beyond the estimated completion date determined as of the effective date of this
106.22 section;

106.23 (2) the anticipated Southwest light rail project completion date is delayed by six months
106.24 or more beyond the most recent estimated completion date;

106.25 (3) the total Southwest light rail project cost is anticipated to increase by five percent
106.26 or more above the project cost estimate determined as of the effective date of this section;
106.27 or

106.28 (4) the total Southwest light rail project cost is anticipated to increase by five percent
106.29 or more above the most recent cost estimate.

107.1 (c) On a monthly basis and at least 30 days prior to making an expenditure for the
107.2 Southwest light rail transit project, the Metropolitan Council must submit an expenditure
107.3 notification for review and comment to the chairs and ranking minority members of the
107.4 legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance and to the
107.5 members of the Legislative Commission on Metropolitan Government. A notification must
107.6 include the following for each expenditure or for a subtotal of related expenditures:

107.7 (1) the expenditure or subtotal amount;

107.8 (2) the specific standard cost category; and

107.9 (3) identification or a brief summary of the nature of the expenditure.

107.10 (d) It is the intent of the legislature that the requirements in paragraph (c) are repealed
107.11 following enactment of substantive changes to the governance structure of the Metropolitan
107.12 Council.

107.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
107.14 final enactment and applies to expenditures made on or after October 1, 2023. This section
107.15 applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

107.16 Sec. 32. **BLUE LINE LIGHT RAIL EXTENSION ENGAGEMENT MEETINGS.**

107.17 (a) The Blue Line light rail extension project office must, at least quarterly, organize
107.18 and facilitate community engagement meetings in consultation with community groups
107.19 located along the Blue Line extension alignment route, including the Lyn Park community.
107.20 Information requested by community groups in the meetings or in correspondence to the
107.21 project office must be supplied in a timely manner, and, if practicable, before the next
107.22 quarterly meeting. Information, concerns, and requests presented by the community at the
107.23 community engagement meetings or provided directly to the extension project office must
107.24 be documented in the official meeting minutes and must be provided to the project Corridor
107.25 Management Committee and posted on the Blue Line extension project website.

107.26 (b) Representatives from the Metropolitan Council, Hennepin County, and the Department
107.27 of Transportation must participate in the community engagement meetings and all other
107.28 meetings relating to antidisplacement initiatives connected to the Blue Line light rail
107.29 extension project. Representatives from the cities of Minneapolis, Robbinsdale, Crystal,
107.30 and Brooklyn Park must attend meetings that occur in their respective cities, attend all
107.31 meetings relating to antidisplacement initiatives, and attend other project-related meetings
107.32 as requested.

108.1 (c) By July 1, 2023, the Blue Line light rail extension project office must coordinate
108.2 with community groups to establish a framework for community engagement meetings.
108.3 The framework must at a minimum include project information, light rail impacts on and
108.4 opportunities for businesses and residents, and business mitigation and antidisplacement
108.5 strategies. The framework must also include a process for community feedback on project
108.6 design options.

108.7 (d) State funds for the Blue Line light rail extension project must be available no sooner
108.8 than August 1, 2023.

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

108.10 Sec. 33. **BLUE LINE LIGHT RAIL EXTENSION ROUTE ALIGNMENT**
108.11 **CONSULTATION.**

108.12 The commissioner of transportation and the city of Minneapolis must consult with the
108.13 Metropolitan Council and Hennepin County to evaluate the possible redesign of Interstate
108.14 Highway 94, 10th Avenue, or Washington Avenue between downtown Minneapolis and
108.15 West Broadway Avenue for a possible route of the Blue Line light rail extension project in
108.16 the area between Interstate Highway 94 and the Mississippi River. All cities along the
108.17 corridor must have the opportunity to present their concerns and proposals to the Blue Line
108.18 extension project's Corridor Management Committee for consideration.

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

108.20 Sec. 34. **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL CHARTER COMMISSION.**

108.21 Subdivision 1. **Appointments.** Within 30 days of the effective date of this section, the
108.22 chief judge of Ramsey County shall appoint 11 individuals from the counties under the
108.23 jurisdiction of the Metropolitan Council who have expertise in regional governance and the
108.24 law to serve as members of the charter commission.

108.25 Subd. 2. **Terms.** Members of the charter commission shall hold office until February
108.26 15, 2024. Vacancies shall be filled by the appointing authority. Appointments shall be made
108.27 by filing with the Metropolitan Council. An appointee shall file acceptance of the appointment
108.28 with the Metropolitan Council within ten days or be considered to have declined the
108.29 appointment.

108.30 Subd. 3. **Chair; rules.** The charter commission shall meet within 30 days after the initial
108.31 appointment, elect a chair, and establish rules, including quorum requirements, for its
108.32 operation and procedures.

109.1 Subd. 4. **Expenses and administration.** The members of the charter commission shall
109.2 receive no compensation except reimbursement for expenses actually incurred in the course
109.3 of their duties. The Metropolitan Council shall make an appropriation to the charter
109.4 commission to be used to employ research and clerical assistance, for supplies, and to meet
109.5 expenses considered necessary by the charter commission. The charter commission shall
109.6 have the right to request and receive assistance from the Metropolitan Council staff.

109.7 Subd. 5. **Powers and duties.** The charter commission shall frame a proposed charter to
109.8 provide for the governance structure of the Metropolitan Council. In framing the proposed
109.9 charter, the charter commission may consult with external experts and scholars. The charter
109.10 commission shall review and analyze the existing powers, authorities, and responsibilities
109.11 of the Metropolitan Council, and notwithstanding any law to the contrary, determine that
109.12 the proposed charter provisions include modifications to existing authority and governance,
109.13 including the requirement that the Metropolitan Council members be elected. The charter
109.14 commission shall determine when and the process by which the proposed charter is submitted
109.15 to the voters affected by the charter.

109.16 Subd. 6. **Report.** The charter commission shall provide a report to the chairs and ranking
109.17 minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over Metropolitan Council
109.18 governance by February 15, 2024. The report shall contain the proposed charter, the process
109.19 and timing of submitting the proposed charter to the voters, and necessary amendments to
109.20 state law to effectuate the proposed charter.

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

109.23 Sec. 35. **MASS TRANSIT REPORTS; RIDERSHIP; CRIME.**

109.24 (a) The Metropolitan Council must post on the council's website a monthly report,
109.25 including ridership statistics for each guideway and busway in revenue operation. In each
109.26 report, the council must also include the ridership projections made at the time of the full
109.27 funding grant agreement for each guideway and busway. The council must post each monthly
109.28 report within 60 days after the end of that month. The council must ensure that a report is
109.29 available on the council's website for a minimum of five years after the report is posted.

109.30 (b) The council must post on the council's website a quarterly report, including crime
109.31 statistics for crimes occurring on a light rail transit vehicle, bus, commuter rail car, or at
109.32 any transit platform, stop, or facility. The report must break down the data by mode of transit
109.33 and type of crime. The council must ensure that a report is available on the council's website
109.34 for a minimum of five years after the report is posted.

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

110.2 Sec. 36. **METRO MOBILITY ENHANCEMENT PILOT PROGRAM.**

110.3 Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "pilot program" means the Metro
110.4 Mobility enhancement pilot program established in this section.

110.5 Subd. 2. **Establishment.** Subject to available funds, the Metropolitan Council must
110.6 implement a pilot program to enhance the existing service levels of Metro Mobility under
110.7 Minnesota Statutes, section 473.386.

110.8 Subd. 3. **Requirements.** The pilot program must:

110.9 (1) commence by September 1, 2023, and operate until December 31, 2025;

110.10 (2) provide for advanced scheduling of enhanced Metro Mobility service;

110.11 (3) to the extent feasible, provide service outside of the current Metro Mobility hours
110.12 of service, as follows:

110.13 (i) on weekdays from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.;

110.14 (ii) on Saturdays from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.; and

110.15 (iii) on Sundays from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.;

110.16 (4) cover the entirety of the geographic area specified in Minnesota Statutes, section
110.17 473.386, subdivision 3, clause (9); and

110.18 (5) establish rider eligibility and fares in a manner that is substantially comparable to
110.19 the requirements under Metro Mobility.

110.20 Subd. 4. **Legislative report.** By February 1, 2026, the Metropolitan Council must submit
110.21 a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with
110.22 jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance concerning the pilot program. At a
110.23 minimum, the report must:

110.24 (1) summarize pilot program implementation;

110.25 (2) provide a fiscal review that identifies uses of funds;

110.26 (3) analyze results under the pilot program, including improvements to service and
110.27 customer experience;

110.28 (4) evaluate accessibility impacts and constraints for riders who use a wheelchair or
110.29 otherwise require specialized equipment or service;

111.1 (5) consider service models, technologies, partnership models, and anticipated industry
111.2 changes;

111.3 (6) identify findings, practices, and considerations for replication in communities
111.4 throughout the state;

111.5 (7) review any modifications under consideration, planned, or implemented for the Metro
111.6 Mobility program; and

111.7 (8) make any recommendations on service improvements related to Metro Mobility,
111.8 including fiscal implications.

111.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
111.10 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
111.11 Scott, and Washington.

111.12 **Sec. 37. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL; LAND USE STUDY.**

111.13 **Subdivision 1. Definitions.** The definitions provided in Minnesota Statutes, section
111.14 473.121, apply to this section.

111.15 **Subd. 2. Metropolitan land use study.** The Metropolitan Council must conduct and
111.16 complete a metropolitan land use and transportation policy study on or before June 30,
111.17 2024, that analyzes the degree to which current land use and transportation policies in the
111.18 metropolitan area support or hinder state and local governmental unit transportation,
111.19 environmental, greenhouse gas emissions, and equity goals. The study must be used to
111.20 inform the 2050 comprehensive development guide for the metropolitan area.

111.21 **Subd. 3. Study contents.** The study under this section must include:

111.22 (1) a comparison of current land use policies in the metropolitan area with alternative
111.23 growth development scenarios, including efficient land use and compact growth;

111.24 (2) a determination of the costs to local and regional metropolitan area government
111.25 services to implement efficient land use policies, including the costs to construct and maintain
111.26 transportation and water infrastructure and emergency services;

111.27 (3) an analysis of how implementation of efficient land use policies would reduce future
111.28 costs to local and regional metropolitan area government with regard to transportation and
111.29 water infrastructure and emergency services;

111.30 (4) an assessment of transportation and related infrastructure necessary to facilitate
111.31 efficient land use policies, including but not limited to estimations of road lane miles, utility
111.32 miles, and land acreage necessary to facilitate such policies;

112.1 (5) an analysis of sewer access and water access charges and policies, including an
112.2 analysis of the differences in the charges between property classifications and charges in
112.3 urban, suburban, and rural areas;

112.4 (6) the estimated impact implementation of efficient land use policies would have on
112.5 vehicle miles traveled, access to jobs in essential services, transit viability, and commute
112.6 modal share in the metropolitan area; and

112.7 (7) any other data or analyses the Metropolitan Council deems relevant.

112.8 Subd. 4. **Report.** The Metropolitan Council must submit a copy of the study under this
112.9 section to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with
112.10 jurisdiction over local government and transportation policy and finance by February 1,
112.11 2025.

112.12 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

112.13 Sec. 38. **TRANSIT SERVICE INTERVENTION PROJECT.**

112.14 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have
112.15 the meanings given.

112.16 (b) "Council" means the Metropolitan Council established under Minnesota Statutes,
112.17 chapter 473.

112.18 (c) "Intervention project" means the transit service intervention project established in
112.19 this section.

112.20 Subd. 2. **Establishment.** A transit service intervention project is established to provide
112.21 coordinated, high-visibility interventions on light rail transit lines that provide for enhanced
112.22 social services outreach and engagement, code of conduct regulation, and law enforcement.

112.23 Subd. 3. **Project management.** The council must implement the intervention project.

112.24 Subd. 4. **Participating organizations.** The council must seek the participation of the
112.25 following entities to provide for coordination on the intervention project:

112.26 (1) the Department of Human Services;

112.27 (2) the Department of Public Safety;

112.28 (3) the Minnesota State Patrol;

112.29 (4) the Metropolitan Council;

112.30 (5) the Metro Transit Police Department;

- 113.1 (6) each county within which a light rail transit line operates;
- 113.2 (7) each city within which a light rail transit line operates;
- 113.3 (8) the Metropolitan Airports Commission;
- 113.4 (9) the National Alliance on Mental Illness Minnesota;
- 113.5 (10) the exclusive representative of transit vehicle operators; and
- 113.6 (11) other interested community-based social service organizations.
- 113.7 Subd. 5. Duties. (a) In collaboration with the participating organizations under subdivision
- 113.8 4, the council must:
- 113.9 (1) establish social services intervention teams that consist of social services personnel
- 113.10 and personnel from nonprofit organizations having mental health services or support capacity
- 113.11 to perform on-site social services engagement with:
- 113.12 (i) transit riders experiencing homelessness;
- 113.13 (ii) transit riders with substance use disorders or mental or behavioral health disorders;
- 113.14 or
- 113.15 (iii) a combination of items (i) and (ii);
- 113.16 (2) establish coordinated intervention teams that consist of personnel under clause (1),
- 113.17 community service officers, and peace officers;
- 113.18 (3) implement interventions in two phases as follows:
- 113.19 (i) by June 1, 2023, and for a period of three weeks, deploy the social services intervention
- 113.20 teams on a mobile basis on light rail transit lines and facilities; and
- 113.21 (ii) beginning at the conclusion of the period under item (i), and for a period of at least
- 113.22 nine weeks, deploy the coordinated intervention teams on a mobile basis on light rail transit
- 113.23 lines and facilities, utilizing both social services and law enforcement partners; and
- 113.24 (4) evaluate impacts of the intervention teams related to social services outreach, code
- 113.25 of conduct violations, and rider experience.
- 113.26 (b) Social services engagement under paragraph (a) includes but is not limited to
- 113.27 providing outreach, preliminary assessment and screening, information and resource sharing,
- 113.28 referral or connections to service providers, assistance in arranging for services, and precrisis
- 113.29 response.

114.1 Subd. 6. **Administration.** Using existing resources, the council must provide staff
114.2 assistance and administrative support for the project.

114.3 Subd. 7. **Reports.** By the 15th of each month, the council must submit a status report
114.4 to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction
114.5 over transportation policy and finance. At a minimum, each report must include:

114.6 (1) a summary of activities under the intervention project;

114.7 (2) a fiscal review of expenditures; and

114.8 (3) analysis of impacts and outcomes related to social services outreach, violations under
114.9 Minnesota Statutes, sections 473.4065 and 609.855, and rider experience.

114.10 Subd. 8. **Expiration.** This section expires June 30, 2024.

114.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
114.12 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
114.13 Scott, and Washington.

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114.15

NONMOTORIZED AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

114.16 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 123B.90, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

114.17 Subd. 2. **Student training.** (a) Each district must provide public school pupils enrolled
114.18 in kindergarten through grade 10 with age-appropriate school bus safety training, as described
114.19 in this section, of the following concepts:

114.20 (1) transportation by school bus is a privilege and not a right;

114.21 (2) district policies for student conduct and school bus safety;

114.22 (3) appropriate conduct while on the school bus;

114.23 (4) the danger zones surrounding a school bus;

114.24 (5) procedures for safely boarding and leaving a school bus;

114.25 (6) procedures for safe street or road crossing; and

114.26 (7) school bus evacuation.

114.27 (b) Each nonpublic school located within the district must provide all nonpublic school
114.28 pupils enrolled in kindergarten through grade 10 who are transported by school bus at public
114.29 expense and attend school within the district's boundaries with training as required in
114.30 paragraph (a).

115.1 (c) Students enrolled in kindergarten through grade 6 who are transported by school bus
115.2 and are enrolled during the first or second week of school must receive the school bus safety
115.3 training competencies by the end of the third week of school. Students enrolled in grades
115.4 7 through 10 who are transported by school bus and are enrolled during the first or second
115.5 week of school and have not previously received school bus safety training must receive
115.6 the training or receive bus safety instructional materials by the end of the sixth week of
115.7 school. Students taking driver's training instructional classes must receive training in the
115.8 laws and proper procedures when operating a motor vehicle in the vicinity of a school bus
115.9 as required by section 169.446, subdivisions 2 and 3. Students enrolled in kindergarten
115.10 through grade 10 who enroll in a school after the second week of school and are transported
115.11 by school bus and have not received training in their previous school district shall undergo
115.12 school bus safety training or receive bus safety instructional materials within four weeks
115.13 of the first day of attendance. Upon request of the superintendent of schools, the school
115.14 transportation safety director in each district must certify to the superintendent that all
115.15 students transported by school bus within the district have received the school bus safety
115.16 training according to this section. Upon request of the superintendent of the school district
115.17 where the nonpublic school is located, the principal or other chief administrator of each
115.18 nonpublic school must certify to the school transportation safety director of the district in
115.19 which the school is located that the school's students transported by school bus at public
115.20 expense have received training according to this section.

115.21 (d) A district and a nonpublic school with students transported by school bus at public
115.22 expense may provide kindergarten pupils with bus safety training before the first day of
115.23 school.

115.24 ~~(e) A district and a nonpublic school with students transported by school bus at public~~
115.25 ~~expense may also provide student safety education for bicycling and pedestrian safety, for~~
115.26 ~~students enrolled in kindergarten through grade 5.~~

115.27 ~~(f)~~ (e) A district and a nonpublic school with students transported by school bus at public
115.28 expense must make reasonable accommodations for the school bus safety training of pupils
115.29 known to speak English as a second language and pupils with disabilities.

115.30 ~~(g)~~ (f) The district and a nonpublic school with students transported by school bus at
115.31 public expense must provide students enrolled in kindergarten through grade 3 school bus
115.32 safety training twice during the school year.

115.33 ~~(h)~~ (g) A district and a nonpublic school with students transported by school bus at public
115.34 expense must conduct a school bus evacuation drill at least once during the school year.

116.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

116.2 Sec. 2. **[123B.935] ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION SAFETY TRAINING.**

116.3 Subdivision 1. **Training required.** (a) Each district must provide public school pupils
116.4 enrolled in kindergarten through grade 3 with age-appropriate active transportation safety
116.5 training. At a minimum, the training must include pedestrian safety, including crossing
116.6 roads.

116.7 (b) Each district must provide public school pupils enrolled in grades 4 through 8 with
116.8 age-appropriate active transportation safety training. At a minimum, the training must
116.9 include:

116.10 (1) pedestrian safety, including crossing roads safely using the searching left, right, left
116.11 for vehicles in traffic technique; and

116.12 (2) bicycle safety, including relevant traffic laws, use and proper fit of protective
116.13 headgear, bicycle parts and safety features, and safe biking techniques.

116.14 (c) A nonpublic school may provide nonpublic school pupils enrolled in kindergarten
116.15 through grade 8 with training as specified in paragraphs (a) and (b).

116.16 Subd. 2. **Deadlines.** (a) Students under subdivision 1, paragraph (a), who are enrolled
116.17 during the first or second week of school and have not previously received active
116.18 transportation safety training specified in that paragraph must receive the safety training by
116.19 the end of the third week of school.

116.20 (b) Students under subdivision 1, paragraph (b), who are enrolled during the first or
116.21 second week of school and have not previously received active transportation safety training
116.22 specified in that paragraph must receive the safety training by the end of the sixth week of
116.23 school.

116.24 (c) Students under subdivision 1, paragraph (a) or (b), who enroll in a school after the
116.25 second week of school and have not received the appropriate active transportation safety
116.26 training in their previous school district must undergo the training or receive active
116.27 transportation safety instructional materials within four weeks of the first day of attendance.

116.28 (d) A district and a nonpublic school may provide kindergarten pupils with active
116.29 transportation safety training before the first day of school.

116.30 Subd. 3. **Instruction.** (a) A district may provide active transportation safety training
116.31 through distance learning.

117.1 (b) A district and a nonpublic school must make reasonable accommodations for the
117.2 active transportation safety training of pupils known to speak English as a second language
117.3 and pupils with disabilities.

117.4 Subd. 4. **Model program.** The commissioner of transportation must maintain a
117.5 comprehensive collection of active transportation safety training materials that meets the
117.6 requirements under this section.

117.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

117.8 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 160.262, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

117.9 Subd. 3. **Cooperation among agencies and governments.** (a) The departments and
117.10 agencies on the active transportation advisory committee identified in section 174.375 must
117.11 provide information and advice for the bikeway design guidelines maintained by the
117.12 commissioner.

117.13 (b) The commissioner must provide technical assistance to local units of government
117.14 in:

117.15 (1) local planning and development of bikeways;

117.16 (2) establishing connections to state bicycle routes; and

117.17 (3) implementing statewide bicycle plans maintained by the commissioner.

117.18 (c) The commissioner may cooperate with and enter into agreements with the United
117.19 States government, any department of the state of Minnesota, any unit of local government,
117.20 any tribal government, or any public or private corporation in order to effect the purposes
117.21 of this section.

117.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

117.23 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 160.266, subdivision 1b, is amended to read:

117.24 Subd. 1b. **State bicycle routes.** The commissioner of transportation must identify state
117.25 bicycle routes primarily on existing road right-of-way and trails. State bicycle routes must
117.26 be identified in cooperation with road and trail authorities, including the commissioner of
117.27 natural resources, and with the advice of the active transportation advisory committee under
117.28 section 174.375. In a metropolitan area, state bicycle routes must be identified in coordination
117.29 with the plans and priorities established by metropolitan planning organizations, as defined
117.30 in United States Code, title 23, section 134.

117.31 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

118.1 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 160.266, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

118.2 Subd. 6. **Mississippi River Trail.** The Mississippi River Trail bikeway is designated as
118.3 a state bicycle route. It must originate at Itasca State Park in Clearwater, Beltrami, and
118.4 Hubbard Counties, then generally parallel the Mississippi River through the cities of Bemidji
118.5 in Beltrami County, Grand Rapids in Itasca County, Brainerd in Crow Wing County, Little
118.6 Falls in Morrison County, Sauk Rapids in Benton County, St. Cloud in Stearns County,
118.7 Minneapolis in Hennepin County, St. Paul in Ramsey County, Hastings in Dakota County,
118.8 Red Wing in Goodhue County, Wabasha in Wabasha County, Winona in Winona County,
118.9 and La Crescent in Houston County to Minnesota's boundary with Iowa and there terminate.
118.10 Where opportunities exist, the bikeway may be designated on both sides of the Mississippi
118.11 River.

118.12 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

118.13 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 160.266, is amended by adding a subdivision to
118.14 read:

118.15 Subd. 7. **Jim Oberstar Bikeway.** The Jim Oberstar Bikeway is designated as a state
118.16 bicycle route. It must originate in the city of St. Paul in Ramsey County, then proceed north
118.17 and east to Duluth in St. Louis County, then proceed north and east along the shore of Lake
118.18 Superior through Grand Marais in Cook County to Minnesota's boundary with Canada, and
118.19 there terminate.

118.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

118.21 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.18, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

118.22 Subd. 3. **Passing.** ~~The following rules shall govern the overtaking and passing of vehicles~~
118.23 ~~proceeding in the same direction, subject to the limitations, exceptions, and special rules~~
118.24 ~~hereinafter stated:~~

118.25 ~~(1) (a)~~ (a) The driver of a vehicle overtaking another vehicle proceeding in the same direction
118.26 ~~shall~~ must pass to the left ~~thereof~~ of the other vehicle at a safe distance and ~~shall not again~~
118.27 ~~drive~~ is prohibited from returning to the right side of the roadway until safely clear of the
118.28 overtaken vehicle;

118.29 ~~(2) (b)~~ (b) Except when overtaking and passing on the right is permitted, the driver of an
118.30 overtaken vehicle ~~shall~~ must give way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle ~~on~~
118.31 ~~audible warning,~~ and ~~shall~~ must not increase the speed of the overtaken vehicle until
118.32 completely passed by the overtaking vehicle; ~~and.~~

119.1 ~~(3)~~ (c) The operator of a motor vehicle overtaking a bicycle or individual proceeding in
119.2 the same direction on the roadway ~~shall leave~~ or shoulder must:

119.3 (1) either:

119.4 (i) maintain a safe clearance distance while passing, but in no case less than which must
119.5 be at least the greater of three feet clearance, when passing the bicycle or individual or
119.6 one-half the width of the motor vehicle; or

119.7 (ii) completely enter another lane of the roadway while passing; and shall

119.8 (2) maintain clearance until the motor vehicle has safely past passed the overtaken bicycle
119.9 or individual.

119.10 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

119.11 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.222, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

119.12 Subd. 4. **Riding rules.** (a) Every person operating a bicycle ~~upon a roadway shall on a~~
119.13 road must ride as close as practicable to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway except
119.14 under any of the following situations road as the bicycle operator determines is safe. A
119.15 person operating a bicycle is not required to ride as close to the right-hand curb or edge
119.16 when:

119.17 (1) ~~when~~ overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction;

119.18 (2) ~~when~~ preparing for a left turn at an intersection or into a private road or driveway;

119.19 (3) ~~when~~ reasonably necessary to avoid conditions that make it unsafe to continue along
119.20 the right-hand curb or edge, including fixed or moving objects, vehicles, pedestrians, animals,
119.21 surface hazards, or ~~narrow width~~ narrow-width lanes, ~~that make it unsafe to continue along~~
119.22 ~~the right-hand curb or edge; or;~~

119.23 (4) ~~when~~ operating on the shoulder of a roadway or in a bicycle lane; or

119.24 (5) operating in a right-hand turn lane before entering an intersection.

119.25 (b) If a bicycle is traveling on a shoulder of a roadway, the bicycle ~~shall~~ operator must
119.26 travel in the same direction as adjacent vehicular traffic.

119.27 (c) Persons riding bicycles upon a roadway or shoulder ~~shall~~ must not ride more than
119.28 two abreast and ~~shall not impede the normal and reasonable movement of traffic and~~, on a
119.29 laned roadway, shall ride within a single lane.

119.30 (d) A person operating a bicycle upon a sidewalk, or across a roadway or shoulder on a
119.31 crosswalk, ~~shall~~ must yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian and ~~shall~~ give an audible

120.1 signal when necessary before overtaking and passing any pedestrian. ~~No~~ A person shall
120.2 must not ride a bicycle upon a sidewalk within a business district unless permitted by local
120.3 authorities. Local authorities may prohibit the operation of bicycles on any sidewalk or
120.4 crosswalk under their jurisdiction.

120.5 (e) An individual operating a bicycle or other vehicle on a bikeway ~~shall~~ must (1) give
120.6 an audible signal a safe distance prior to overtaking a bicycle or individual, (2) leave a safe
120.7 clearance distance when overtaking a bicycle or individual proceeding in the same direction
120.8 ~~on the bikeway, and shall (3) maintain clearance until safely past the overtaken bicycle or~~
120.9 individual.

120.10 (f) Notwithstanding section 169.06, subdivision 4, a bicycle operator may cross an
120.11 intersection proceeding from the leftmost one-third of a dedicated right-hand turn lane
120.12 without turning right.

120.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

120.14 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.222, is amended by adding a subdivision to
120.15 read:

120.16 **Subd. 4a. Stopping requirements.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision, "in the vicinity"
120.17 means located in an intersection or approaching an intersection in a manner that constitutes
120.18 a hazard of collision during the time that a bicycle operator would occupy the intersection.

120.19 (b) A bicycle operator who approaches a stop sign must slow to a speed that allows for
120.20 stopping before entering the intersection or the nearest crosswalk. Notwithstanding
120.21 subdivision 1 and section 169.06, subdivision 4, if there is not a vehicle in the vicinity, the
120.22 operator may make a turn or proceed through the intersection without stopping.

120.23 (c) A bicycle operator who approaches a traffic-control signal with a steady red indication,
120.24 including a circular red signal or red arrow signal, must slow to a speed that allows for
120.25 stopping before entering the intersection or the nearest crosswalk. Notwithstanding
120.26 subdivision 1 and section 169.06, subdivision 5, if there is not a vehicle in the vicinity, the
120.27 operator:

120.28 (1) may make a right-hand turn, or a left-hand turn onto a one-way roadway, without
120.29 stopping; and

120.30 (2) must otherwise perform a complete stop and then may make a turn or proceed through
120.31 the intersection before the traffic-control signal indication changes to green.

121.1 (d) Nothing in this subdivision alters the right-of-way requirements under section 169.20.
121.2 The provisions under this subdivision do not apply when traffic is controlled by a peace
121.3 officer or a person authorized to control traffic under section 169.06.

121.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

121.5 Sec. 10. **[174.375] ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

121.6 Subdivision 1. **Committee established; duties.** (a) The commissioner of transportation
121.7 must establish an active transportation advisory committee. The advisory committee must
121.8 make recommendations to the commissioner on items related to:

121.9 (1) active transportation, including safety, education, and development programs;

121.10 (2) the active transportation program under section 174.38; and

121.11 (3) the safe routes to school program under section 174.40.

121.12 (b) The committee must review and analyze issues and needs relating to active
121.13 transportation on public rights-of-way and identify solutions and goals for addressing
121.14 identified issues and needs.

121.15 (c) For purposes of this section, "active transportation" includes bicycling, pedestrian
121.16 activities, and other forms of nonmotorized transportation.

121.17 Subd. 2. **Membership.** (a) The advisory committee consists of the members specified
121.18 in this subdivision.

121.19 (b) The commissioner of transportation must appoint up to 18 public members as follows:
121.20 one member from each of the department's seven greater Minnesota districts; four members
121.21 from the department's metropolitan district; and no more than seven members at large. Each
121.22 of the members at large must represent nonmotorized interests or organizations.

121.23 (c) The commissioners of each of the following state agencies must appoint an employee
121.24 of the agency to serve as a member: administration, education, health, natural resources,
121.25 public safety, transportation, and pollution control. The chair of the Metropolitan Council
121.26 must appoint an employee of the council to serve as a member. The director of Explore
121.27 Minnesota Tourism must appoint an employee of the agency to serve as a member.

121.28 (d) The division administrator of the Federal Highway Administration may appoint an
121.29 employee of the agency to serve as a member.

121.30 (e) Each member of the committee serves a four-year term at the pleasure of the
121.31 appointing authority.

122.1 (f) The committee must select a chair from its membership.

122.2 Subd. 3. **Meetings; staffing.** (a) The advisory committee must establish a meeting
122.3 schedule and meet at least annually.

122.4 (b) The commissioner of transportation must provide department staff support to the
122.5 advisory committee.

122.6 Subd. 4. **Expenses.** (a) Members of the advisory committee serve without compensation,
122.7 but members who are not employees of government agencies must be reimbursed for
122.8 expenses in the same manner and amount as authorized by the commissioner's plan adopted
122.9 under section 43A.18, subdivision 2.

122.10 (b) To provide compensation under paragraph (a), the commissioner of transportation
122.11 may expend the amount necessary from general fund appropriations.

122.12 Subd. 5. **Reports.** The advisory committee must submit an annual report to the
122.13 commissioner of transportation.

122.14 Subd. 6. **Expiration.** The advisory committee expires June 30, 2033.

122.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment. The
122.16 commissioner of transportation must convene the first meeting by October 15, 2023.

122.17 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 174.38, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

122.18 Subd. 6. **Use of funds.** (a) The commissioner must determine permissible uses of financial
122.19 assistance under this section, which are limited to:

122.20 (1) construction and maintenance of bicycle, trail, and pedestrian infrastructure, including
122.21 but not limited to safe routes to school infrastructure and bicycle facilities and centers; and

122.22 (2) noninfrastructure programming, including activities as specified in section 174.40,
122.23 subdivision 7a, paragraph (b).

122.24 (b) Of the amount made available in each fiscal year, the first \$500,000 is for grants to
122.25 develop, maintain, and implement active transportation safety curriculum for youth ages
122.26 five to 14 years old, and if remaining funds are available, for (1) youth ages 15 to 17 years
122.27 old, (2) adult active transportation safety programs, and (3) adult learn-to-ride programs.
122.28 The curriculum must include resources for teachers and must meet the model training
122.29 materials requirements under section 123B.935, subdivision 4.

122.30 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

123.1 **ARTICLE 8**

123.2 **MISCELLANEOUS**

123.3 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 3.9741, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

123.4 Subd. 5. **State Data security; account; appropriation.** ~~(a)~~ The data security account
123.5 is created in the special revenue fund. Receipts credited to the account are appropriated to
123.6 the legislative auditor.

123.7 ~~(b) Subject to available funds appropriated under paragraph (a), the legislative auditor~~
123.8 ~~shall:~~

123.9 ~~(1) review and audit the audit reports of subscribers and requesters submitted under~~
123.10 ~~section 168.327, subdivision 6, including producing findings and opinions;~~

123.11 ~~(2) in collaboration with the commissioner and affected subscribers and requesters,~~
123.12 ~~recommend corrective action plans to remediate any deficiencies identified under clause~~
123.13 ~~(1); and~~

123.14 ~~(3) review and audit driver records subscription services and bulk data practices of the~~
123.15 ~~Department of Public Safety, including identifying any deficiencies and making~~
123.16 ~~recommendations to the commissioner.~~

123.17 ~~(e) The legislative auditor shall submit any reports, findings, and recommendations~~
123.18 ~~under this subdivision to the legislative commission on data practices.~~

123.19 **Sec. 2. [4.076] ADVISORY COUNCIL ON TRAFFIC SAFETY.**

123.20 Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "advisory council" means the
123.21 Advisory Council on Traffic Safety established in this section.

123.22 Subd. 2. **Establishment.** (a) The Advisory Council on Traffic Safety is established to
123.23 advise, consult with, assist in planning coordination, and make program recommendations
123.24 to the commissioners of public safety, transportation, and health on the development and
123.25 implementation of projects and programs intended to improve traffic safety on all Minnesota
123.26 road systems.

123.27 (b) The advisory council serves as the lead for the state Toward Zero Deaths program.

123.28 Subd. 3. **Membership; chair.** (a) The advisory council consists of the following
123.29 members:

123.30 (1) the chair, which is filled on a two-year rotating basis by a designee from:

123.31 (i) the Office of Traffic Safety in the Department of Public Safety;

- 124.1 (ii) the Office of Traffic Engineering in the Department of Transportation; and
- 124.2 (iii) the Injury and Violence Prevention Section in the Department of Health;
- 124.3 (2) two vice chairs, which must be filled by the two designees who are not currently
- 124.4 serving as chair of the advisory council under clause (1);
- 124.5 (3) the statewide Toward Zero Deaths coordinator;
- 124.6 (4) a regional coordinator from the Toward Zero Deaths program;
- 124.7 (5) the chief of the State Patrol or a designee;
- 124.8 (6) the state traffic safety engineer in the Department of Transportation or a designee;
- 124.9 (7) a law enforcement liaison from the Department of Public Safety;
- 124.10 (8) a representative from the Department of Human Services;
- 124.11 (9) a representative from the Department of Education;
- 124.12 (10) a representative from the Council on Disability;
- 124.13 (11) a representative for Tribal governments;
- 124.14 (12) a representative from the Center for Transportation Studies at the University of
- 124.15 Minnesota;
- 124.16 (13) a representative from the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association;
- 124.17 (14) a representative from the Minnesota Sheriffs' Association;
- 124.18 (15) a representative from the Minnesota Safety Council;
- 124.19 (16) a representative from AAA Minnesota;
- 124.20 (17) a representative from the Minnesota Trucking Association;
- 124.21 (18) a representative from the Insurance Federation of Minnesota;
- 124.22 (19) a representative from the Association of Minnesota Counties;
- 124.23 (20) a representative from the League of Minnesota Cities;
- 124.24 (21) the American Bar Association State Judicial Outreach Liaison;
- 124.25 (22) a representative from the City Engineers Association of Minnesota;
- 124.26 (23) a representative from the Minnesota County Engineers Association;
- 124.27 (24) a representative from the Bicycle Alliance of Minnesota;

125.1 (25) two individuals representing vulnerable road users, including pedestrians, bicyclists,
125.2 and other operators of a personal conveyance;

125.3 (26) a representative from Minnesota Operation Lifesaver;

125.4 (27) a representative from the Minnesota Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association;

125.5 (28) a representative from the Minnesota Association for Pupil Transportation;

125.6 (29) a representative from the State Trauma Advisory Council;

125.7 (30) a person representing metropolitan planning organizations; and

125.8 (31) a person representing contractors engaged in construction and maintenance of
125.9 highways and other infrastructure.

125.10 (b) The commissioners of public safety and transportation must jointly appoint the
125.11 advisory council members under paragraph (a), clauses (11), (25), (30), and (31).

125.12 Subd. 4. **Duties.** The advisory council must:

125.13 (1) advise the governor and heads of state departments and agencies on policies, programs,
125.14 and services affecting traffic safety;

125.15 (2) advise the appropriate representatives of state departments on the activities of the
125.16 Toward Zero Deaths program, including but not limited to educating the public about traffic
125.17 safety;

125.18 (3) encourage state departments and other agencies to conduct needed research in the
125.19 field of traffic safety;

125.20 (4) review recommendations of the subcommittees and working groups;

125.21 (5) review and comment on all grants dealing with traffic safety and on the development
125.22 and implementation of state and local traffic safety plans; and

125.23 (6) make recommendations on safe road zone safety measures under section 169.065.

125.24 Subd. 5. **Administration.** (a) The Office of Traffic Safety in the Department of Public
125.25 Safety, in cooperation with the Departments of Transportation and Health, must serve as
125.26 the host agency for the advisory council and must manage the administrative and operational
125.27 aspects of the advisory council's activities. The commissioner of public safety must perform
125.28 financial management on behalf of the council.

125.29 (b) The advisory council must meet no less than four times per year, or more frequently
125.30 as determined by the chair, a vice chair, or a majority of the council members. The advisory
125.31 council is subject to chapter 13D.

126.1 (c) The chair must regularly report to the respective commissioners on the activities of
126.2 the advisory council and on the state of traffic safety in Minnesota.

126.3 (d) The terms, compensation, and appointment of members are governed by section
126.4 15.059.

126.5 (e) The advisory council may appoint subcommittees and working groups. Subcommittees
126.6 must consist of council members. Working groups may include nonmembers. Nonmembers
126.7 on working groups must be compensated pursuant to section 15.059, subdivision 3, only
126.8 for expenses incurred for working group activities.

126.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

126.10 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 13.69, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

126.11 Subdivision 1. **Classifications.** (a) The following government data of the Department
126.12 of Public Safety are private data:

126.13 (1) medical data on driving instructors, licensed drivers, and applicants for parking
126.14 certificates and special license plates issued to physically disabled persons;

126.15 (2) other data on holders of a disability certificate under section 169.345, except that (i)
126.16 data that are not medical data may be released to law enforcement agencies, and (ii) data
126.17 necessary for enforcement of sections 169.345 and 169.346 may be released to parking
126.18 enforcement employees or parking enforcement agents of statutory or home rule charter
126.19 cities and towns;

126.20 (3) Social Security numbers in driver's license and motor vehicle registration records,
126.21 except that Social Security numbers must be provided to the Department of Revenue for
126.22 purposes of debt collection and tax administration, the Department of Labor and Industry
126.23 for purposes of workers' compensation administration and enforcement, the judicial branch
126.24 for purposes of debt collection, and the Department of Natural Resources for purposes of
126.25 license application administration, and except that the last four digits of the Social Security
126.26 number must be provided to the Department of Human Services for purposes of recovery
126.27 of Minnesota health care program benefits paid; ~~and~~

126.28 (4) data on persons listed as standby or temporary custodians under section 171.07,
126.29 subdivision 11, except that the data must be released to:

126.30 (i) law enforcement agencies for the purpose of verifying that an individual is a designated
126.31 caregiver; or

127.1 (ii) law enforcement agencies who state that the license holder is unable to communicate
127.2 at that time and that the information is necessary for notifying the designated caregiver of
127.3 the need to care for a child of the license holder; and

127.4 (5) race and ethnicity data on driver's license holders and identification card holders
127.5 under section 171.06, subdivision 3. The Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic
127.6 Safety is authorized to receive race and ethnicity data from Driver and Vehicle Services for
127.7 only the purposes of research, evaluation, and public reports.

127.8 The department may release the Social Security number only as provided in clause (3)
127.9 and must not sell or otherwise provide individual Social Security numbers or lists of Social
127.10 Security numbers for any other purpose.

127.11 (b) The following government data of the Department of Public Safety are confidential
127.12 data: data concerning an individual's driving ability when that data is received from a member
127.13 of the individual's family.

127.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, except that paragraph (a),
127.15 clause (5), is effective for driver's license and identification card applications received on
127.16 or after January 1, 2024.

127.17 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 13.6905, is amended by adding a subdivision to
127.18 read:

127.19 Subd. 37. **Oil and other hazardous substances transportation data.** (a) Certain data
127.20 on oil and other hazardous substances transported by railroads are governed by section
127.21 219.055, subdivision 8.

127.22 (b) Certain data on oil and other hazardous substances transportation incident reviews
127.23 are governed by section 299A.55, subdivision 5.

127.24 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 115E.042, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

127.25 Subd. 2. **Training.** (a) Each railroad must offer training to each fire department and
127.26 each local organization for emergency management under section 12.25 having jurisdiction
127.27 along the route of unit trains. Initial training under this subdivision must be offered to each
127.28 fire department by June 30, 2016, and routes over which the railroad transports oil or other
127.29 hazardous substances. Refresher training must be offered to each fire department and local
127.30 organization for emergency management at least once every three years thereafter after
127.31 initial training under this subdivision.

128.1 (b) The training must address ~~the general hazards of oil and hazardous substances,~~
 128.2 ~~techniques to assess hazards to the environment and to the safety of responders and the~~
 128.3 ~~public, factors an incident commander must consider in determining whether to attempt to~~
 128.4 ~~suppress a fire or to evacuate the public and emergency responders from an area, and other~~
 128.5 ~~strategies for initial response by local emergency responders. The training must include~~
 128.6 ~~suggested protocol or practices for local responders to safely accomplish these tasks~~ methods
 128.7 to identify rail cars and hazardous substance contents, responder safety issues, rail response
 128.8 tactics, public notification and evacuation considerations, environmental contamination
 128.9 response, railroad response personnel and resources coordination at an incident, and other
 128.10 protocols and practices for safe initial local response as required under subdivision 4,
 128.11 including the notification requirements and the responsibilities of an incident commander
 128.12 during a rail incident involving oil or other hazardous substances, as provided in subdivisions
 128.13 3 and 4.

128.14 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 115E.042, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

128.15 Subd. 3. **Emergency response planning; coordination.** ~~Beginning June 30, 2015,~~ (a)
 128.16 Each railroad must communicate at least annually with each ~~county or city~~ applicable
 128.17 emergency manager, safety representatives of railroad employees governed by the Railway
 128.18 Labor Act, and ~~a senior~~ each applicable fire department officer ~~of each fire department~~
 128.19 ~~having jurisdiction~~ along the route of a unit train routes over which oil or other hazardous
 128.20 substances are transported, in order to:

128.21 (1) ensure coordination of emergency response activities between the railroad and local
 128.22 responders;

128.23 (2) assist emergency managers in identifying and assessing local rail-specific threats,
 128.24 hazards, and risks; and

128.25 (3) assist railroads in obtaining information from emergency managers regarding specific
 128.26 local natural and technical hazards and threats in the local area that may impact rail operations
 128.27 or public safety.

128.28 (b) The coordination under paragraph (a), clauses (2) and (3), must include identification
 128.29 of increased risks and potential special responses due to high population concentration,
 128.30 critical local infrastructure, key facilities, significant venues, sensitive natural environments,
 128.31 and other factors identified by railroads, emergency managers, and fire departments.

128.32 (c) The commissioner of public safety must compile and make available to railroads a
 128.33 list of applicable emergency managers and applicable fire chiefs, which must include contact

129.1 information. The commissioner must make biennial updates to the list of emergency managers
129.2 and fire chiefs and make the list of updated contact information available to railroads.

129.3 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 115E.042, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

129.4 Subd. 4. **Response capabilities; time limits.** (a) Following confirmation of a discharge,
129.5 a railroad must deliver and deploy sufficient equipment and trained personnel to (1) contain
129.6 and recover discharged oil or other hazardous substances and to, (2) protect the environment,
129.7 and (3) assist local public safety officials. Within 15 minutes of a rail incident involving a
129.8 confirmed discharge or release of oil or other hazardous substances, a railroad must contact
129.9 the applicable emergency manager and applicable fire chief having jurisdiction along the
129.10 route where the incident occurred. After learning of the rail incident involving oil or other
129.11 hazardous substances, the applicable emergency manager and applicable fire chief must,
129.12 as soon as practicable, identify and provide contact information of the responsible incident
129.13 commander to the reporting railroad.

129.14 (b) Within 15 minutes of local emergency responder arrival on the scene of a rail incident
129.15 involving oil or other hazardous substances, a railroad must assist the incident commander
129.16 to determine the nature of any hazardous substance known to have been released and
129.17 hazardous substance cargo transported on the train. Assistance must include providing
129.18 information that identifies the chemical content of the hazardous substance, contact
129.19 information for the shipper, and instructions for dealing with the release of the material. A
129.20 railroad may provide information on the hazardous substances transported on the train
129.21 through the train orders on board the train or by facsimile or electronic transmission.

129.22 (c) Within one hour of confirmation of a discharge, a railroad must provide a qualified
129.23 company ~~employee~~ representative to advise the incident commander, assist in assessing the
129.24 situation, initiate railroad response actions as needed, and provide advice and
129.25 recommendations to the incident commander regarding the response. The ~~employee~~
129.26 representative may be made available by telephone, and must be authorized to deploy all
129.27 necessary response resources of the railroad.

129.28 ~~(e)~~ (d) Within three hours of confirmation of a discharge, a railroad must be capable of
129.29 delivering monitoring equipment and a trained operator to assist in protection of responder
129.30 and public safety. A plan to ensure delivery of monitoring equipment and an operator to a
129.31 discharge site must be provided each year to the commissioner of public safety.

129.32 ~~(d)~~ (e) Within three hours of confirmation of a discharge, a railroad must provide (1)
129.33 qualified personnel at a discharge site to assess the discharge and to advise the incident

130.1 commander, and (2) resources to assist the incident commander with ongoing public safety
130.2 and scene stabilization.

130.3 ~~(e)~~ (f) A railroad must be capable of deploying containment boom from land across
130.4 sewer outfalls, creeks, ditches, and other places where oil or other hazardous substances
130.5 may drain, in order to contain leaked material before it reaches those resources. The
130.6 arrangement to provide containment boom and staff may be made by:

130.7 (1) training and caching equipment with local jurisdictions;

130.8 (2) training and caching equipment with a fire mutual-aid group;

130.9 (3) means of an industry cooperative or mutual-aid group;

130.10 (4) deployment of a contractor;

130.11 (5) deployment of a response organization under state contract; or

130.12 (6) other dependable means acceptable to the Pollution Control Agency.

130.13 ~~(f)~~ (g) Each arrangement under paragraph ~~(e)~~ (f) must be confirmed each year. Each
130.14 arrangement must be tested by drill at least once every five years.

130.15 ~~(g)~~ (h) Within eight hours of confirmation of a discharge, a railroad must be capable of
130.16 delivering and deploying containment boom, boats, oil recovery equipment, trained staff,
130.17 and all other materials needed to provide:

130.18 (1) on-site containment and recovery of a volume of oil equal to ten percent of the
130.19 calculated worst case discharge at any location along the route; and

130.20 (2) protection of listed sensitive areas and potable water intakes within one mile of a
130.21 discharge site and within eight hours of water travel time downstream in any river or stream
130.22 that the right-of-way intersects.

130.23 ~~(h)~~ (i) Within 60 hours of confirmation of a discharge, a railroad must be capable of
130.24 delivering and deploying additional containment boom, boats, oil recovery equipment,
130.25 trained staff, and all other materials needed to provide containment and recovery of a worst
130.26 case discharge and to protect listed sensitive areas and potable water intakes at any location
130.27 along the route.

130.28 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 115E.042, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

130.29 Subd. 5. **Railroad drills.** (a) Each railroad must conduct ~~at least one~~ oil containment,
130.30 recovery, and sensitive area protection ~~drill~~ exercises involving oil or other hazardous
130.31 substances as follows: (1) at least one tabletop exercise every year; and (2) at least one

131.1 full-scale exercise every three years, Each exercise must be at a location, date, and time
131.2 and in the manner chosen by the Pollution Control Agency, and attended by safety
131.3 representatives of railroad employees governed by the Railway Labor Act.

131.4 (b) To the extent feasible, the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency must
131.5 coordinate each exercise with exercises required by federal agencies.

131.6 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 115E.042, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

131.7 Subd. 6. **Prevention and response plans; requirements; submission.** (a) ~~By June 30,~~
131.8 2015, A railroad shall submit the prevention and response plan ~~required under section~~
131.9 115E.04, as necessary to comply with the requirements of this section, to the commissioner
131.10 of the Pollution Control Agency on a form designated by the commissioner.

131.11 (b) ~~By June 30 of~~ Every third year following a plan submission under this subdivision,
131.12 or sooner as provided under section 115E.04, subdivision 2, a railroad must update and
131.13 resubmit the prevention and response plan to the commissioner.

131.14 Sec. 10. [160.2325] **HIGHWAYS FOR HABITAT PROGRAM.**

131.15 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have
131.16 the meanings given.

131.17 (b) "Integrated roadside vegetation management" means an approach to right-of-way
131.18 maintenance that combines a variety of techniques with sound ecological principles to
131.19 establish and maintain safe, healthy, and functional roadsides. Integrated roadside vegetation
131.20 management includes but is not limited to judicious use of herbicides, spot mowing,
131.21 biological control, prescribed burning, mechanical tree and brush removal, erosion prevention
131.22 and treatment, and prevention and treatment of other right-of-way disturbances.

131.23 (c) "Program" means the highways for habitat program established in this section.

131.24 Subd. 2. **Program establishment.** The commissioner must establish a highways for
131.25 habitat program to enhance roadsides with pollinator and other wildlife habitat and vegetative
131.26 buffers.

131.27 Subd. 3. **General requirements.** In implementing the program, the commissioner must:

131.28 (1) identify and prioritize highways for habitat installations under an integrated roadside
131.29 vegetation management plan with priority given to new construction and reconstruction;

131.30 (2) develop and erect signage, where appropriate, that identifies highways for habitat
131.31 projects and clearly marks the habitat and management restrictions;

132.1 (3) develop training for department personnel and contractors that apply pesticides and
132.2 manage vegetation on the use of integrated roadside vegetation management and native
132.3 plant identification;

132.4 (4) assess, in consultation with the commissioners of natural resources and agriculture,
132.5 the categorization and management of noxious weeds to reduce the use of mowing and
132.6 pesticides;

132.7 (5) maintain a website that includes information on program implementation, program
132.8 funding and expenditures, integrated roadside vegetation management, and related best
132.9 management practices; and

132.10 (6) identify funding sources and develop proposals for ongoing funding for the program.

132.11 Subd. 4. **Management standards.** (a) The commissioner, in consultation with the
132.12 commissioner of natural resources and the Board of Water and Soil Resources, must develop
132.13 standards and best management practices for integrated roadside vegetation management
132.14 plans under the program.

132.15 (b) To the extent feasible, the standards and best management practices must include:

132.16 (1) guidance on seed and vegetation selection based on the Board of Water and Soil
132.17 Resources' native vegetation establishment and enhancement guidelines;

132.18 (2) requirements for roadside vegetation management protocols that avoid the use of
132.19 pollinator lethal insecticides as defined under section 18H.02, subdivision 28a;

132.20 (3) practices that are designed to avoid habitat destruction and protect nesting birds,
132.21 pollinators, and other wildlife, except as necessary to control noxious weeds; and

132.22 (4) identification of appropriate right-of-way tracts for wildflower and native habitat
132.23 establishment.

132.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

132.25 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.045, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

132.26 Subd. 3. **Limitations on spending.** (a) A commissioner must not pay for any of the
132.27 following with funds from the highway user tax distribution fund or the trunk highway fund:

132.28 (1) Bureau of Criminal Apprehension laboratory;

132.29 (2) Explore Minnesota Tourism kiosks;

132.30 (3) Minnesota Safety Council;

- 133.1 (4) driver education programs;
- 133.2 (5) Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board;
- 133.3 (6) Mississippi River Parkway Commission;
- 133.4 (7) payments to the Department of Information Technology Services in excess of actual
133.5 costs incurred for trunk highway purposes;
- 133.6 (8) personnel costs incurred on behalf of the governor's office;
- 133.7 (9) the Office of Aeronautics within the Department of Transportation;
- 133.8 (10) the Office of Transit and Active Transportation within the Department of
133.9 Transportation;
- 133.10 (11) the Office of Passenger Rail;
- 133.11 (12) purchase and maintenance of soft body armor under section 299A.38;
- 133.12 (13) tourist information centers;
- 133.13 (14) parades, events, or sponsorships of events;
- 133.14 (15) ~~rent and utility expenses for the department's central office building;~~
- 133.15 ~~(16)~~ the installation, construction, expansion, or maintenance of public electric vehicle
133.16 infrastructure;
- 133.17 ~~(17)~~ (16) the statewide notification center for excavation services pursuant to chapter
133.18 216D; and
- 133.19 ~~(18)~~ (17) manufacturing license plates.
- 133.20 (b) The prohibition in paragraph (a) includes all expenses for the named entity or program,
133.21 including but not limited to payroll, purchased services, supplies, repairs, and equipment.
133.22 This prohibition on spending applies to any successor entities or programs that are
133.23 substantially similar to the entity or program named in this subdivision.
- 133.24 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
- 133.25 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section, the following terms have the
133.26 meanings given:
- 133.27 (1) "beyond the project limits" means any point that is located:
- 133.28 (i) outside of the project limits;
- 133.29 (ii) along the same trunk highway; and

- 134.1 (iii) within the same region of the state;
- 134.2 (2) "city" means a statutory or home rule charter city;
- 134.3 (3) "greater Minnesota area" means the counties that are not metropolitan counties;
- 134.4 (4) "metropolitan area" means Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
- 134.5 Scott, and Washington counties;
- 134.6 ~~(3)~~ (5) "program" means the corridors of commerce program established in this section;
- 134.7 and
- 134.8 ~~(4)~~ (6) "project limits" means the estimated construction limits of a project for trunk
- 134.9 highway construction, reconstruction, or maintenance, that is a candidate for selection under
- 134.10 the corridors of commerce program.
- 134.11 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- 134.12 Subd. 2. **Program authority; funding.** (a) As provided in this section, the commissioner
- 134.13 shall establish a corridors of commerce program for trunk highway construction,
- 134.14 reconstruction, and improvement, including maintenance operations, that improves commerce
- 134.15 in the state.
- 134.16 (b) The commissioner may expend funds under the program from appropriations to the
- 134.17 commissioner that are:
- 134.18 (1) made specifically by law for use under this section;
- 134.19 (2) at the discretion of the commissioner, made for the budget activities in the state roads
- 134.20 program of operations and maintenance, program planning and delivery, or state road
- 134.21 construction; and
- 134.22 (3) made for the corridor investment management strategy program, unless specified
- 134.23 otherwise.
- 134.24 (c) The commissioner ~~shall~~ must include in the program the cost participation policy
- 134.25 for local units of government.
- 134.26 (d) The commissioner may use up to 17 percent of any appropriation ~~to the program~~
- 134.27 under this section for program delivery and for project scoring, ranking, and selection under
- 134.28 subdivision 5.

135.1 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

135.2 Subd. 4. **Project eligibility.** (a) The eligibility requirements for projects that can be
135.3 funded under the program are:

135.4 (1) consistency with the statewide multimodal transportation plan under section 174.03;

135.5 (2) location of the project on an interregional corridor, for a project located outside of
135.6 the Department of Transportation metropolitan district;

135.7 (3) placement into at least one project classification under subdivision 3;

135.8 (4) project construction work will commence within ~~three~~ four years, or a longer length
135.9 of time as determined by the commissioner; and

135.10 (5) for each type of project classification under subdivision 3, a maximum allowable
135.11 amount for the total project cost estimate, as determined by the commissioner with available
135.12 data.

135.13 (b) A project whose construction is programmed in the state transportation improvement
135.14 program is not eligible for funding under the program. This paragraph does not apply to a
135.15 project that is programmed as result of selection under this section.

135.16 (c) A project may be, but is not required to be, identified in the 20-year state highway
135.17 investment plan under section 174.03.

135.18 (d) For each project, the commissioner must consider all of the eligibility requirements
135.19 under paragraph (a). The commissioner is prohibited from considering any eligibility
135.20 requirement not specified under paragraph (a).

135.21 (e) A project in the greater Minnesota area with a total project cost of more than
135.22 \$10,000,000 is classified as a greater Minnesota large project. A project in the greater
135.23 Minnesota area with a total project cost of \$10,000,000 or less is classified as a greater
135.24 Minnesota small project. All projects in the metropolitan area are classified as metropolitan
135.25 projects, regardless of the total project cost.

135.26 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

135.27 Subd. 5. **Project selection process; criteria.** (a) The commissioner must establish a
135.28 process to identify, evaluate, and select projects under the program. The process must be
135.29 consistent with the requirements of this subdivision and must not include any additional
135.30 evaluation criteria.

136.1 (b) As part of the project selection process, the commissioner must annually accept
136.2 recommendations on candidate projects from area transportation partnerships and ~~other~~
136.3 ~~interested stakeholders in each Department of Transportation district~~ counties in the
136.4 metropolitan area as provided by this section. The commissioner must determine the
136.5 eligibility for each candidate project ~~identified under this paragraph~~ that is submitted as
136.6 provided in this section. For each eligible project, the commissioner must classify and
136.7 evaluate the project for the program, using all of the criteria established under paragraph
136.8 ~~(e)~~ (d).

136.9 (c) Before proceeding to the evaluation required under paragraph (d), all project
136.10 recommendations submitted for consideration must be screened as follows:

136.11 (1) for projects in the greater Minnesota area:

136.12 (i) the area transportation partnership for the area must review all project
136.13 recommendations from the partnership's area;

136.14 (ii) each area transportation partnership must select up to three large projects and three
136.15 small projects as defined in subdivision 4 to recommend for advancement to the evaluation
136.16 process under paragraph (d). Each area transportation partnership may develop its own
136.17 process to determine which projects to recommend. An area transportation partnership must
136.18 not include the same segment of road in more than one project; and

136.19 (iii) only the projects recommended for evaluation may be developed by the department
136.20 and scored for selection under paragraph (d). All projects not recommended for evaluation
136.21 are disqualified from further consideration and must not be evaluated under paragraph (d);
136.22 and

136.23 (2) for projects located in the metropolitan area:

136.24 (i) projects located within a county in the metropolitan area must be reviewed by the
136.25 county board;

136.26 (ii) each county board must select up to two projects to recommend for advancement to
136.27 the evaluation process under paragraph (d). A board must not include the same segment of
136.28 road in more than one project. Each board may develop its own process to determine which
136.29 project to recommend; and

136.30 (iii) only the projects submitted by the county boards as provided in this paragraph may
136.31 be developed by the department and scored for selection under paragraph (d). All projects
136.32 not recommended for evaluation are disqualified from further consideration and must not
136.33 be evaluated under paragraph (d).

- 137.1 ~~(e)~~ (d) Projects must be evaluated using all of the following criteria:
- 137.2 (1) a return on investment measure that provides for comparison across eligible projects;
- 137.3 (2) measurable impacts on commerce and economic competitiveness;
- 137.4 (3) efficiency in the movement of freight, including but not limited to:
- 137.5 (i) measures of annual average daily traffic and commercial vehicle miles traveled, which
- 137.6 may include data near the project location on that trunk highway or on connecting trunk
- 137.7 and local highways; and
- 137.8 (ii) measures of congestion or travel time reliability, which may be within or near the
- 137.9 project limits, or both;
- 137.10 (4) improvements to traffic safety;
- 137.11 (5) connections to regional trade centers, local highway systems, and other transportation
- 137.12 modes;
- 137.13 (6) the extent to which the project addresses multiple transportation system policy
- 137.14 objectives and principles;
- 137.15 (7) support and consensus for the project among members of the surrounding community;
- 137.16 (8) the time and work needed before construction may begin on the project; ~~and~~
- 137.17 (9) regional balance throughout the state; and
- 137.18 (10) written recommendations submitted as provided by subdivision 5a.
- 137.19 The commissioner must ~~give the criteria in clauses (1) to (8) equal weight in~~ assign 100
- 137.20 selection points to each evaluation criterion set forth in clauses (1) to (8) for the selection
- 137.21 process.
- 137.22 (e) The commissioner must select projects so that approximately 50 percent of the
- 137.23 available funding is used for projects in the metropolitan area and the other 50 percent is
- 137.24 used for projects in the greater Minnesota area. Of funding for projects in the metropolitan
- 137.25 area, at least 45 percent must be spent for projects in Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Scott,
- 137.26 and Washington Counties. Of the funding for projects in the greater Minnesota area,
- 137.27 approximately 25 percent must be used for projects classified as greater Minnesota small
- 137.28 projects as defined in subdivision 4. When selecting projects in the greater Minnesota area,
- 137.29 the commissioner must select projects so that no district has two or more projects more than
- 137.30 any other district.

138.1 ~~(d) The list of all projects evaluated must be made public and must include the score of~~
138.2 ~~each project~~ (f) The commissioner must publish information regarding the selection process
138.3 on the department's website. The information must include:

138.4 (1) lists of all projects submitted for consideration and all projects recommended by the
138.5 screening entities;

138.6 (2) the scores and ranking for each project; and

138.7 (3) an overview of each selected project, with amounts and sources of funding.

138.8 ~~(e)~~ (g) As part of the project selection process, the commissioner may divide funding to
138.9 be separately available among projects within each classification under subdivision 3, and
138.10 may apply separate or modified criteria among those projects falling within each
138.11 classification.

138.12 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, is amended by adding a subdivision
138.13 to read:

138.14 Subd. 5a. **Recommendations.** After receiving all projects submitted pursuant to
138.15 subdivision 5 but before making final selections, the commissioner must compile a list of
138.16 all projects that were submitted and transmit the list to each legislator and to the governor.
138.17 The list must include the location of each project and a brief description of the work to be
138.18 done. Within 30 days of the date the project list is transmitted, each legislator and the
138.19 governor may submit to the commissioner a written recommendation for one project on the
138.20 list. The commissioner must award one additional point to a project for each written
138.21 recommendation received for that project.

138.22 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, is amended by adding a subdivision
138.23 to read:

138.24 Subd. 5b. **Project selection period.** Beginning July 1, 2027, and every five years
138.25 thereafter, area transportation partnerships and the metropolitan counties must submit
138.26 projects to the commissioner of transportation as provided in subdivision 5. The
138.27 commissioner must evaluate the projects and select projects by March 1 of the following
138.28 year. To the greatest extent possible, the commissioner must select a sufficient number of
138.29 projects to ensure that all funds allocated for the five-year period are encumbered or spent
138.30 by the end of the period. If all selected projects are funded in the five-year time period and
138.31 there were projects that were identified and not selected, the commissioner must select
138.32 additional projects from the original project submissions. If all the projects that were

139.1 submitted are funded, the commissioner may authorize an additional project selection period
139.2 to select projects for the remainder of the period. Except as authorized by this subdivision,
139.3 the project submission and selection process must only occur every five years.

139.4 Sec. 18. [161.178] TRANSPORTATION GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACT
139.5 ASSESSMENT.

139.6 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have
139.7 the meanings given.

139.8 (b) "Assessment" means the capacity expansion impact assessment under this section.

139.9 (c) "Capacity expansion project" means a project for trunk highway construction or
139.10 reconstruction that:

139.11 (1) is a major highway project, as defined in section 174.56, subdivision 1, paragraph
139.12 (b); and

139.13 (2) adds highway traffic capacity or provides for grade separation at an intersection,
139.14 excluding auxiliary lanes with a length of less than 2,500 feet.

139.15 (d) "Embodied carbon emissions" means the total carbon dioxide emissions from all
139.16 stages of production of a product or material including but not limited to mining, processing
139.17 of raw materials, and manufacturing.

139.18 (e) "Greenhouse gas emissions" includes those emissions described in section 216H.01,
139.19 subdivision 2.

139.20 Subd. 2. Project assessment. (a) Prior to including a capacity expansion project in the
139.21 state transportation improvement program, the commissioner must perform a capacity
139.22 expansion impact assessment of the project. Following the assessment, the commissioner
139.23 must determine if the project conforms with:

139.24 (1) the greenhouse gas emissions reduction benchmarks under section 174.01, subdivision
139.25 3;

139.26 (2) the vehicle miles traveled reduction targets established in the statewide multimodal
139.27 transportation plan under section 174.03, subdivision 1a; and

139.28 (3) providing neutral or positive environmental effects in areas of persistent poverty or
139.29 historically disadvantaged communities disrupted, displaced, or otherwise harmed by past
139.30 transportation infrastructure decisions.

140.1 (b) If the commissioner determines that the capacity expansion project is not in
140.2 conformance with paragraph (a), the commissioner must:

140.3 (1) alter the scope or design of the project and perform a revised assessment that meets
140.4 the requirements under this section;

140.5 (2) interlink sufficient impact mitigation as provided in subdivision 4; or

140.6 (3) halt project development and disallow inclusion of the project in the state
140.7 transportation improvement program.

140.8 Subd. 3. **Assessment requirements.** (a) The commissioner must establish a process to
140.9 perform capacity expansion impact assessments. An assessment must provide for the
140.10 determination under subdivision 2.

140.11 (b) Analysis under an assessment must include but is not limited to estimates resulting
140.12 from the project for the following:

140.13 (1) total embodied carbon emissions;

140.14 (2) greenhouse gas emissions over a period of 20 years;

140.15 (3) change in vehicle miles traveled for the trunk highway segment and in other impacted
140.16 areas within the state; and

140.17 (4) a calculation of positive, neutral, or negative environmental effects based on:

140.18 (i) air quality and pollution;

140.19 (ii) noise pollution;

140.20 (iii) general public health; and

140.21 (iv) other measures as determined by the commissioner.

140.22 (c) The commissioner must establish criteria to identify areas of persistent poverty and
140.23 historically disadvantaged communities based on measures and definitions in state and
140.24 federal law and federal guidance. The criteria must include a consideration of whether a
140.25 historically disadvantaged community was disrupted, displaced, or otherwise harmed by
140.26 past transportation decisions.

140.27 Subd. 4. **Impact mitigation.** (a) To provide for impact mitigation, the commissioner
140.28 must interlink the capacity expansion project as provided in this subdivision. Impact
140.29 mitigation is sufficient under subdivision 2, paragraph (b), if the capacity expansion project
140.30 is interlinked to mitigation actions such that:

141.1 (1) the total greenhouse gas emissions reduction from the mitigation actions, after
141.2 accounting for the greenhouse gas emissions otherwise resulting from the capacity expansion
141.3 project, is consistent with meeting the benchmarks and targets specified under subdivision
141.4 2, paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (2); and

141.5 (2) the total positive environmental effects from the actions equals or exceeds the negative
141.6 environmental effects, as determined under subdivision 3, paragraph (b), clause (4), otherwise
141.7 resulting from the capacity expansion project.

141.8 (b) Each comparison under paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (2), must be performed over
141.9 equal comparison periods.

141.10 (c) A mitigation action consists of a project, program, or operations modification in one
141.11 or more of the following areas:

141.12 (1) transit expansion, including but not limited to regular route bus, arterial bus rapid
141.13 transit, highway bus rapid transit, rail transit, and intercity passenger rail;

141.14 (2) transit service improvements, including but not limited to increased service level,
141.15 transit fare reduction, and transit priority treatments;

141.16 (3) active transportation infrastructure;

141.17 (4) micromobility infrastructure and service, including but not limited to shared vehicle
141.18 services;

141.19 (5) transportation demand management, including but not limited to vanpool and shared
141.20 vehicle programs, remote work, and broadband access expansion;

141.21 (6) parking management, including but not limited to parking requirements reduction
141.22 or elimination and parking cost adjustments;

141.23 (7) land use, including but not limited to residential and other density increases, mixed-use
141.24 development, and transit-oriented development; and

141.25 (8) highway construction materials or practices modifications to provide for greenhouse
141.26 gas emissions reductions.

141.27 (d) A mitigation action may be identified as interlinked to the capacity expansion project
141.28 if:

141.29 (1) there is a specified project, program, or modification;

141.30 (2) the necessary funding sources are identified and sufficient amounts are committed;

141.31 (3) the mitigation is localized as provided in paragraph (e); and

142.1 (4) procedures are established to ensure that the mitigation action remains in substantially
142.2 the same form or a revised form that continues to meet the calculation under paragraph (a).

142.3 (e) The area or corridor of a mitigation action must be localized in the following priority
142.4 order:

142.5 (1) within or associated with at least one of the communities impacted by the capacity
142.6 expansion project;

142.7 (2) if there is not a reasonably feasible location under clause (1), in the region of the
142.8 capacity expansion project; or

142.9 (3) if there is not a reasonably feasible location under clauses (1) and (2), on a statewide
142.10 basis.

142.11 (f) The commissioner must include an explanation regarding the feasibility and rationale
142.12 for each mitigation action located under paragraph (e), clauses (2) and (3).

142.13 Subd. 5. **Public information.** The commissioner must publish information regarding
142.14 capacity expansion impact assessments on the department's website. The information must
142.15 include:

142.16 (1) identification of capacity expansion projects; and

142.17 (2) for each project, a summary that includes an overview of the expansion impact
142.18 assessment, the impact determination by the commissioner, and project disposition including
142.19 a review of any mitigation actions.

142.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective February 1, 2025.

142.21 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.45, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

142.22 Subdivision 1. **Rules.** (a) Electric transmission, telephone, or telegraph lines; pole lines;
142.23 community antenna television lines; railways; ditches; sewers; water, heat, or gas mains;
142.24 gas and other pipelines; flumes; or other structures which, under the laws of this state or
142.25 the ordinance of any city, may be constructed, placed, or maintained across or along any
142.26 trunk highway, or the roadway thereof, by any person, persons, corporation, or any
142.27 subdivision of the state, may be so maintained or hereafter constructed only in accordance
142.28 with such rules as may be prescribed by the commissioner who shall have power to prescribe
142.29 and enforce reasonable rules with reference to the placing and maintaining along, across,
142.30 or in any such trunk highway of any of the utilities hereinbefore set forth.

142.31 (b) The rules under paragraph (a) must not prohibit an entity that has a right to use the
142.32 public road right-of-way pursuant to section 222.37, subdivision 1, and that has a power

143.1 purchase agreement or an agreement to transfer ownership with a Minnesota utility that
143.2 directly, or through its members or agents, provides retail electric service in the state from
143.3 placing and maintaining electric transmission lines along, across, or in any trunk highway
143.4 except as necessary to protect public safety. Nothing herein shall restrict the actions of
143.5 public authorities in extraordinary emergencies nor restrict the power and authority of the
143.6 commissioner of commerce as provided for in other provisions of law. Provided, however,
143.7 that in the event any local subdivision of government has enacted ordinances relating to the
143.8 method of installation or requiring underground installation of such community antenna
143.9 television lines, the permit granted by the commissioner of transportation shall require
143.10 compliance with such local ordinance.

143.11 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.45, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

143.12 Subd. 2. **Relocation of utility.** Whenever the relocation of any utility facility is
143.13 necessitated by the construction of a project on a trunk highway ~~routes other than those~~
143.14 ~~described in section 161.46, subdivision 2~~ route, the relocation work may be made a part
143.15 of the state highway construction contract or let as a separate contract as provided by law
143.16 if the owner or operator of the facility requests the commissioner to act as its agent for the
143.17 purpose of relocating the facilities and if the commissioner determines that such action is
143.18 in the best interests of the state. Payment by the utility owner or operator to the state shall
143.19 be in accordance with applicable statutes and the rules for utilities on trunk highways.

143.20 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.46, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

143.21 Subd. 2. **Relocation of facilities; reimbursement.** (a) Whenever the commissioner shall
143.22 determine the relocation of any utility facility is necessitated by the construction of a project
143.23 on the routes of federally aided state trunk highways, including urban extensions thereof,
143.24 which routes are included within the National System of Interstate Highways, the owner or
143.25 operator of such utility facility shall relocate the same in accordance with the order of the
143.26 commissioner. After the completion of such relocation the cost thereof shall be ascertained
143.27 and paid by the state out of trunk highway funds; provided, however, the amount to be paid
143.28 by the state for such reimbursement shall not exceed the amount on which the federal
143.29 government bases its reimbursement for said interstate system.

143.30 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), on or after January 1, 2024, any entity that receives
143.31 a route permit under chapter 216E for a high-voltage transmission line necessary to
143.32 interconnect an electric power generating facility is not eligible for relocation reimbursement

144.1 unless the entity directly, or through its members or agents, provides retail electric service
144.2 in this state.

144.3 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.53, is amended to read:

144.4 **161.53 RESEARCH ACTIVITIES.**

144.5 (a) The commissioner may set aside in each fiscal year up to two percent of the total
144.6 amount of all funds appropriated to the commissioner other than county state-aid and
144.7 municipal state-aid highway funds for transportation research including public and private
144.8 research partnerships. The commissioner shall spend this money for (1) research to improve
144.9 the design, construction, maintenance, management, and environmental compatibility of
144.10 transportation systems, including research into and implementation of innovations in
144.11 bridge-monitoring technology and bridge inspection technology; bridge inspection techniques
144.12 and best practices; and the cost-effectiveness of deferred or lower cost highway and bridge
144.13 design and maintenance activities and their impacts on long-term trunk highway costs and
144.14 maintenance needs; (2) research on transportation policies that enhance energy efficiency
144.15 and economic development; (3) programs for implementing and monitoring research results;
144.16 and (4) development of transportation education and outreach activities.

144.17 (b) Of all funds appropriated to the commissioner other than state-aid funds, the
144.18 commissioner shall spend at least 0.1 percent, ~~but not exceeding \$2,000,000 in any fiscal~~
144.19 ~~year,~~ for research and related activities performed by the Center for Transportation Studies
144.20 of the University of Minnesota. The center shall establish a technology transfer and training
144.21 center for Minnesota transportation professionals.

144.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

144.23 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.27, subdivision 31, is amended to read:

144.24 Subd. 31. **Documentary fee.** (a) A motor vehicle dealer may not charge a documentary
144.25 fee or document administration fee in excess of the amounts provided under paragraph (b)
144.26 for services actually rendered to, for, or on behalf of the retail buyer or lessee to prepare,
144.27 handle, and process documents for the closing of a motor vehicle retail sale or lease of a
144.28 vehicle being registered in the state of Minnesota. The fee must be separately stated on the
144.29 sales agreement maintained under Minnesota Rules, part 7400.5200, and may be excluded
144.30 from the dealer's advertised price.

144.31 (b) For motor vehicle sales or leases made on or after July 1, ~~2017~~ 2023, through June
144.32 ~~30, 2020~~ 2024, the maximum fee is ~~\$100~~ the lesser of \$200 or an amount equal to ten percent

145.1 of the value of the sale or lease. For motor vehicle sales or leases made on or after July 1,
145.2 2020 2024, through June 30, 2025, the maximum fee is \$125 the lesser of \$275 or an amount
145.3 equal to ten percent of the value of the sale or lease. For motor vehicle sales or leases made
145.4 on or after July 1, 2025, the maximum fee is the lesser of \$350 or an amount equal to ten
145.5 percent of the value of the sale or lease.

145.6 (c) "Documentary fee" and "document administration fee" do not include an optional
145.7 electronic transfer fee as defined under section 53C.01, subdivision 14.

145.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for motor vehicle sales and leases made
145.9 on or after July 1, 2023.

145.10 Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.011, subdivision 27, is amended to read:

145.11 Subd. 27. **Electric-assisted bicycle.** "Electric-assisted bicycle" means a bicycle with
145.12 two or three wheels that:

145.13 (1) has a saddle and fully operable pedals for human propulsion;

145.14 (2) meets the requirements for bicycles under Code of Federal Regulations, title 16, part
145.15 1512, or successor requirements;

145.16 (3) is equipped with an electric motor that has a power output of not more than 750
145.17 watts; ~~and~~

145.18 (4) meets the requirements of a class 1, class 2, or class 3 electric-assisted bicycle; and

145.19 (5) has a battery or electric drive system that has been tested to an applicable safety
145.20 standard by a third-party testing laboratory.

145.21 Sec. 25. **[169.065] SAFE ROAD ZONES.**

145.22 Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "local request" means a formal
145.23 request collectively submitted by the chief law enforcement officer of a political subdivision
145.24 serving the proposed safe road zone, the local road authority for the proposed safe road
145.25 zone, and the chief executive officer, board, or designee by resolution of the political
145.26 subdivision encompassing the proposed safe road zone.

145.27 Subd. 2. **Establishment.** (a) The commissioner may designate a safe road zone as
145.28 provided in this section.

145.29 (b) Upon receipt of a local request, the commissioner, in consultation with the
145.30 commissioner of public safety, must consider designating a segment of a street or highway
145.31 as a safe road zone. In determining the designation of a safe road zone, the commissioner

146.1 must evaluate traffic safety concerns for the street or highway, including but not limited to:
146.2 excessive speed; crash history; safety of pedestrians, bicyclists, or other vulnerable road
146.3 users; intersection risks; and roadway design.

146.4 Subd. 3. **Implementation.** The Advisory Council on Traffic Safety under section 4.076
146.5 must make recommendations to the commissioners of public safety and transportation on
146.6 supporting the local authority with implementation of safety measures for each safe road
146.7 zone through education, public awareness, behavior modification, and traffic engineering
146.8 efforts. Safety measures for a safe road zone may include:

146.9 (1) providing safe road zone signs to the local authority for use in the zone;

146.10 (2) consulting with the local authority on roadway design modifications to improve
146.11 safety;

146.12 (3) performing statewide safe road zone public awareness and educational outreach;

146.13 (4) providing safe road zone outreach materials to the local authority for distribution to
146.14 the general public;

146.15 (5) working with the local authority to enhance safety conditions in the zone;

146.16 (6) establishing a speed limit as provided under section 169.14, subdivision 5i, with
146.17 supporting speed enforcement and education measures; and

146.18 (7) evaluating the impacts of safety measures in the zone on: crashes; injuries and
146.19 fatalities; property damage; transportation system disruptions; safety for vulnerable roadway
146.20 users, including pedestrians and bicyclists; and other measures as identified by the
146.21 commissioner.

146.22 Subd. 4. **Traffic enforcement.** The commissioner of public safety must coordinate with
146.23 local law enforcement agencies to determine implementation of enhanced traffic enforcement
146.24 in a safe road zone designated under this section.

146.25 Subd. 5. **Program information.** The commissioner of transportation must maintain
146.26 information on a website that summarizes safe road zone implementation, including but not
146.27 limited to identification of requests for and designations of safe road zones, an overview of
146.28 safety measures and traffic enforcement activity, and a review of annual expenditures.

146.29 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

147.1 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.14, is amended by adding a subdivision to
147.2 read:

147.3 Subd. 5i. **Speed limits in safe road zone.** (a) Upon request by the local authority, the
147.4 commissioner may establish a temporary or permanent speed limit in a safe road zone
147.5 designated under section 169.065, other than the limits provided in subdivision 2, based on
147.6 an engineering and traffic investigation.

147.7 (b) The speed limit under this subdivision is effective upon the erection of appropriate
147.8 signs designating the speed and indicating the beginning and end of the segment on which
147.9 the speed limit is established. Any speed in excess of the posted limit is unlawful.

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

147.11 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.18, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

147.12 Subd. 11. **Passing parked authorized vehicle; citation; probable cause.** ~~(a) For~~
147.13 ~~purposes of this subdivision, "authorized vehicle" means an authorized emergency vehicle,~~
147.14 ~~as defined under section 169.011, subdivision 3; a tow truck or towing vehicle, as defined~~
147.15 ~~under section 168B.011, subdivision 12a; a freeway service patrol vehicle; a road~~
147.16 ~~maintenance vehicle; a utility company vehicle; a construction vehicle; a solid waste vehicle;~~
147.17 ~~or a recycling vehicle.~~

147.18 ~~(b)~~ (a) When approaching and before passing an authorized a vehicle with its emergency,
147.19 flashing, or warning lights activated that is parked or otherwise stopped on or next to a street
147.20 or highway having two lanes in the same direction, the driver of a vehicle shall safely move
147.21 the vehicle to the lane farthest away from the authorized vehicle, if it is possible to do so.

147.22 ~~(e)~~ (b) When approaching and before passing an authorized a vehicle with its emergency,
147.23 flashing, or warning lights activated that is parked or otherwise stopped on or next to a street
147.24 or highway having more than two lanes in the same direction, the driver of a vehicle shall
147.25 safely move the vehicle so as to leave a full lane vacant between the driver and any lane in
147.26 which the authorized parked or stopped vehicle is completely or partially parked or otherwise
147.27 stopped, if it is possible to do so.

147.28 ~~(d)~~ (c) If a lane change under paragraph ~~(b)~~ or ~~(e)~~ (a) or (b) is impossible, or when
147.29 approaching and before passing an authorized a vehicle with its emergency, flashing, or
147.30 warning lights activated that is parked or otherwise stopped on or next to a street or highway
147.31 having only one lane in the same direction, the driver of a vehicle must reduce the speed of
147.32 the motor vehicle to a speed that is reasonable and prudent under the conditions until the

148.1 motor vehicle has completely passed the parked or stopped ~~authorized~~ vehicle, if it is possible
148.2 to do so.

148.3 ~~(e)~~ (d) A peace officer may issue a citation to the driver of a motor vehicle if the peace
148.4 officer has probable cause to believe that the driver has operated the vehicle in violation of
148.5 this subdivision within the four-hour period following the termination of the incident or a
148.6 receipt of a report under paragraph ~~(f)~~ (e). The citation may be issued even though the
148.7 violation was not committed in the presence of the peace officer.

148.8 ~~(f)~~ (e) Although probable cause may be otherwise satisfied by other evidentiary elements
148.9 or factors, probable cause is sufficient for purposes of this subdivision when the person
148.10 cited is operating the vehicle described by a member of the crew of an authorized emergency
148.11 vehicle or a towing vehicle as defined in section 168B.011, subdivision 12a, responding to
148.12 an incident in a timely report of the violation of this subdivision, which includes a description
148.13 of the vehicle used to commit the offense and the vehicle's license plate number. For the
148.14 purposes of issuance of a citation under paragraph ~~(e)~~ (d), "timely" means that the report
148.15 must be made within a four-hour period following the termination of the incident.

148.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and applies to violations
148.17 committed on or after that date.

148.18 Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.345, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

148.19 Subd. 2. **Definitions.** (a) For the purpose of section 168.021 and this section, the following
148.20 terms have the meanings given them in this subdivision.

148.21 (b) "Health professional" means a licensed physician, licensed physician assistant,
148.22 advanced practice registered nurse, licensed physical therapist, or licensed chiropractor.

148.23 (c) "Long-term certificate" means a certificate issued for a period greater than 12 months
148.24 but not greater than 71 months.

148.25 (d) "Organization certificate" means a certificate issued to an entity other than a natural
148.26 person for a period of three years.

148.27 (e) "Permit" refers to a permit that is issued for a period of 30 days, in lieu of the
148.28 certificate referred to in subdivision 3, while the application is being processed.

148.29 (f) "Physically disabled person" means a person who:

148.30 (1) because of disability cannot walk without significant risk of falling;

148.31 (2) because of disability cannot walk 200 feet without stopping to rest;

149.1 (3) because of disability cannot walk without the aid of another person, a walker, a cane,
149.2 crutches, braces, a prosthetic device, or a wheelchair;

149.3 (4) is restricted by a respiratory disease to such an extent that the person's forced
149.4 (respiratory) expiratory volume for one second, when measured by spirometry, is less than
149.5 one liter;

149.6 (5) has an arterial oxygen tension (PaO₂) of less than 60 mm/Hg on room air at rest;

149.7 (6) uses portable oxygen;

149.8 (7) has a cardiac condition to the extent that the person's functional limitations are
149.9 classified in severity as class III or class IV according to standards set by the American
149.10 Heart Association;

149.11 (8) has lost an arm or a leg and does not have or cannot use an artificial limb; ~~or~~

149.12 (9) has a disability that would be aggravated by walking 200 feet under normal
149.13 environmental conditions to an extent that would be life threatening; or

149.14 (10) is legally blind.

149.15 (g) "Short-term certificate" means a certificate issued for a period greater than six months
149.16 but not greater than 12 months.

149.17 (h) "Six-year certificate" means a certificate issued for a period of six years.

149.18 (i) "Temporary certificate" means a certificate issued for a period not greater than six
149.19 months.

149.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

149.21 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.475, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

149.22 Subd. 2. **Prohibition on use; penalty.** (a) Except as provided in subdivision 3, when a
149.23 motor vehicle is in motion or a part of traffic, the person operating the vehicle upon a street
149.24 or highway is prohibited from:

149.25 (1) holding a wireless communications device with one or both hands; or

149.26 (2) using a wireless communications device to:

149.27 ~~(1)~~ (i) initiate, compose, send, retrieve, or read an electronic message;

149.28 ~~(2)~~ (ii) engage in a cellular phone call, including initiating a call, talking or listening,
149.29 and participating in video calling; and

150.1 ~~(3)~~ (iii) access the following types of content stored on the device: video content, audio
150.2 content, images, games, or software applications.

150.3 (b) A person who violates paragraph (a) a second or subsequent time must pay a fine of
150.4 \$275.

150.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023, and applies to violations
150.6 committed on or after that date.

150.7 Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.475, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

150.8 Subd. 3. **Exceptions.** (a) The prohibitions in subdivision 2 do not apply if a person uses
150.9 a wireless communications device:

150.10 (1) solely in a voice-activated or hands-free mode to (i) initiate or participate in a cellular
150.11 phone call, provided that the person does not hold the device with one or both hands; or ~~to~~
150.12 (ii) initiate, compose, send, or listen to an electronic message;

150.13 (2) to view or operate a global positioning system or navigation system in a manner that
150.14 does not require the driver to type while the vehicle is in motion or a part of traffic, provided
150.15 that the person does not hold the device with one or both hands;

150.16 (3) to listen to audio-based content in a manner that does not require the driver to scroll
150.17 or type while the vehicle is in motion or a part of traffic, provided that the person does not
150.18 hold the device with one or both hands;

150.19 (4) to obtain emergency assistance to (i) report a traffic accident, medical emergency,
150.20 or serious traffic hazard, or (ii) prevent a crime about to be committed;

150.21 (5) in the reasonable belief that a person's life or safety is in immediate danger; or

150.22 (6) in an authorized emergency vehicle while in the performance of official duties.

150.23 (b) The exception in paragraph (a), clause (1), does not apply to accessing nonnavigation
150.24 video content, engaging in video calling, engaging in live-streaming, accessing gaming
150.25 data, or reading electronic messages.

150.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023, and applies to violations
150.27 committed on or after that date.

150.28 Sec. 31. **[169.8296] WEIGHT LIMITS; TOWING AND RECOVERY VEHICLE.**

150.29 Subdivision 1. Annual permit. The commissioner may issue permits to an applicant
150.30 who pays a single \$300 annual fee to cover all tow trucks and towing vehicles owned by

151.1 the applicant and who meets any other conditions prescribed by the commissioner. The
151.2 proceeds of this fee must be deposited in the trunk highway fund. The permit authorizes
151.3 the tow truck or towing vehicle, when towing a disabled or damaged vehicle to a place of
151.4 repair or safekeeping, to exceed the length and weight limitations of this chapter.

151.5 Subd. 2. **Applicability with urgent movement.** Sections 169.823 to 169.828 do not
151.6 apply to a tow truck or towing vehicle when towing a disabled or damaged vehicle and the
151.7 movement is urgent and for the purpose of removing the disabled vehicle from the roadway
151.8 to a place of repair or safekeeping. A permit is not required for a vehicle operating under
151.9 this subdivision.

151.10 Subd. 3. **Seasonal load restrictions; exemption.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision,
151.11 "recovery vehicle" means a vehicle equipped with a boom that is used to move or recover
151.12 an inoperable vehicle.

151.13 (b) The seasonal load restrictions under section 169.87, subdivisions 1 and 2, do not
151.14 apply to a tow truck, towing vehicle, or a recovery vehicle that does not exceed a weight
151.15 of 20,000 pounds per single axle and is being operated for the purpose of towing or
151.16 recovering another vehicle that:

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

151.19 (2) has entered a public body of water adjacent to the roadway.

151.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

151.21 Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.042, is amended to read:

151.22 **171.042 DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR MEDICAL REASON.**

151.23 (a) For purposes of this section, "relative" means the applicant's grandparent, parent,
151.24 sibling, or legal guardian, including adoptive, half, step, and in-law relationships.

151.25 (b) Notwithstanding any provisions of section 171.04, relating to the age of an applicant,
151.26 the commissioner may issue a driver's license to a person who has attained the age of 15
151.27 years but is under the age of 16 years, who, except for age, is qualified to hold a driver's
151.28 license and who needs to operate a motor vehicle because of:

151.29 (1) personal ~~or family~~ medical reasons;

151.30 (2) medical reasons of a relative; or

152.1 (3) a disabled relative who has a disability that makes it difficult to drive or who does
152.2 not have a driver's license due to a disability.

152.3 (c) The applicant is not required to comply with the six-month instruction permit
152.4 possession provisions of sections 171.04, subdivision 1, clause (2), and 171.05, subdivision
152.5 2a, or with the 12-month provisional license possession provision of section 171.04,
152.6 subdivision 1, clause (1), item (i).

152.7 (d) Applicants shall apply to the commissioner for the license on forms prescribed by
152.8 the commissioner. The application shall ~~must~~ be accompanied by written verified statements
152.9 by ~~from~~ the applicant's ~~parent or guardian and by~~ relative or a doctor setting forth the
152.10 ~~necessity~~ reason the applicant is qualified for the license. The commissioner in issuing such
152.11 license may impose such conditions and limitations as in the commissioner's judgment are
152.12 necessary to the interests of the public safety and welfare.

152.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and applies to applications
152.14 submitted on or after that date.

152.15 Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.05, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

152.16 Subd. 2. **Person less than 18 years of age.** (a) The department may issue an instruction
152.17 permit to an applicant who is 15, 16, or 17 years of age and who:

152.18 (1) has completed a course of driver education in another state, has a previously issued
152.19 valid license from another state, or:

152.20 (i) is enrolled in ~~either:~~ behind-the-wheel training in a driver education program; and

152.21 (ii) has completed:

152.22 ~~(i) a public, private, or commercial~~ (A) the classroom phase of instruction in a driver
152.23 education program that is approved by the commissioner of public safety and that includes
152.24 classroom and behind-the-wheel training; ~~or~~

152.25 (B) 15 hours of classroom instruction in a driver education program that presents
152.26 classroom and behind-the-wheel instruction concurrently;

152.27 ~~(ii) an approved behind-the-wheel driver education program~~ (C) home-classroom driver
152.28 training, when the student is receiving full-time instruction in a home school within the
152.29 meaning of sections 120A.22 and 120A.24, the student is working toward a ~~homeschool~~
152.30 home school diploma, the student is taking home-classroom driver training with classroom
152.31 materials are approved by the commissioner of public safety, and the student's parent has

153.1 certified the student's ~~homeschool~~ home school and home-classroom driver training status
153.2 on the form approved by the commissioner;

153.3 (D) a teleconference driver education program authorized by section 171.395; or

153.4 (E) an online driver education program authorized by section 171.396;

153.5 ~~(2) has completed the classroom phase of instruction in the driver education program~~
153.6 ~~or has completed 15 hours of classroom instruction in a program that presents classroom~~
153.7 ~~and behind-the-wheel instruction concurrently;~~

153.8 ~~(3)~~ (2) has passed a test of the applicant's eyesight;

153.9 ~~(4)~~ (3) has passed a department-administered test of the applicant's knowledge of traffic
153.10 laws;

153.11 ~~(5)~~ (4) has completed the required application, which must be approved by (i) either
153.12 parent when both reside in the same household as the minor applicant or, if otherwise, then
153.13 (ii) the parent or spouse of the parent having custody or, in the event there is no court order
153.14 for custody, then (iii) the parent or spouse of the parent with whom the minor is living or,
153.15 if items (i) to (iii) do not apply, then (iv) the guardian having custody of the minor, (v) the
153.16 foster parent or the director of the transitional living program in which the child resides or,
153.17 in the event a person under the age of 18 has no living father, mother, or guardian, or is
153.18 married or otherwise legally emancipated, then (vi) the applicant's adult spouse, adult close
153.19 family member, or adult employer; provided, that the approval required by this clause
153.20 contains a verification of the age of the applicant and the identity of the parent, guardian,
153.21 adult spouse, adult close family member, or adult employer; and

153.22 ~~(6)~~ (5) has paid all fees required in section 171.06, subdivision 2.

153.23 (b) In addition, the applicant may submit a certification stating that a primary driving
153.24 supervisor has completed the supplemental parental curriculum under section 171.0701,
153.25 subdivision 1a, for the purposes of provisional license requirements under section 171.055,
153.26 subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (6). The certification must be completed by a driver
153.27 education instructor, as defined under section 171.0701, subdivision 1a.

153.28 (c) For the purposes of determining compliance with the certification of paragraph (a),
153.29 clause (1), item (ii), subitem (C), the commissioner may request verification of a student's
153.30 ~~homeschool~~ home school status from the superintendent of the school district in which the
153.31 student resides and the superintendent shall provide that verification.

153.32 (d) A driver education program under this subdivision includes a public, private, or
153.33 commercial program and must be approved by the commissioner.

154.1 ~~(d)~~(e) The instruction permit is valid for two years from the date of application and may
154.2 be renewed upon payment of a fee equal to the fee for issuance of an instruction permit
154.3 under section 171.06, subdivision 2.

154.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

154.5 Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.06, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

154.6 Subd. 2. **Fees.** (a) The fees for a license and Minnesota identification card are as follows:

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| 154.7 | REAL ID Compliant or | | | | |
| 154.8 | Noncompliant Classified | D- \$21.00 | C- \$25.00 | B- \$32.00 | A- \$40.00 |
| 154.9 | Driver's License | <u>\$27.00</u> | <u>\$31.00</u> | <u>\$38.00</u> | <u>\$46.00</u> |
| 154.10 | REAL ID Compliant or | | | | |
| 154.11 | Noncompliant Classified | D- \$21.00 | C- \$25.00 | B- \$32.00 | A- \$20.00 |
| 154.12 | Under-21 D.L. | <u>\$27.00</u> | <u>\$31.00</u> | <u>\$38.00</u> | <u>\$26.00</u> |
| 154.13 | | D- \$36.00 | C- \$40.00 | B- \$47.00 | A- \$55.00 |
| 154.14 | Enhanced Driver's License | <u>\$42.00</u> | <u>\$46.00</u> | <u>\$53.00</u> | <u>\$61.00</u> |
| 154.15 | REAL ID Compliant or | | | | |
| 154.16 | Noncompliant Instruction | | | | |
| 154.17 | Permit | | | \$5.25 | <u>\$11.25</u> |
| 154.18 | Enhanced Instruction | | | | <u>\$20.25</u> |
| 154.19 | Permit | | | | <u>\$26.25</u> |
| 154.20 | Commercial Learner's | | | | |
| 154.21 | Permit | | | \$2.50 | <u>\$8.50</u> |
| 154.22 | REAL ID Compliant or | | | | |
| 154.23 | Noncompliant Provisional | | | | |
| 154.24 | License | | | \$8.25 | <u>\$14.25</u> |
| 154.25 | Enhanced Provisional | | | | <u>\$23.25</u> |
| 154.26 | License | | | | <u>\$29.25</u> |
| 154.27 | Duplicate REAL ID | | | | |
| 154.28 | Compliant or Noncompliant | | | | |
| 154.29 | License or duplicate REAL | | | | |
| 154.30 | ID Compliant or | | | | |
| 154.31 | Noncompliant | | | | |
| 154.32 | identification card | | | \$6.75 | <u>\$12.75</u> |
| 154.33 | Enhanced Duplicate | | | | |
| 154.34 | License or enhanced | | | | <u>\$21.75</u> |
| 154.35 | duplicate identification card | | | | <u>\$27.75</u> |

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| 155.1 | REAL ID Compliant or | |
| 155.2 | Noncompliant Minnesota | |
| 155.3 | identification card or REAL | |
| 155.4 | ID Compliant or | |
| 155.5 | Noncompliant Under-21 | |
| 155.6 | Minnesota identification | |
| 155.7 | card, other than duplicate, | |
| 155.8 | except as otherwise | |
| 155.9 | provided in section 171.07, | <u>\$11.25</u> |
| 155.10 | subdivisions 3 and 3a | <u>\$17.25</u> |
| 155.11 | Enhanced Minnesota | <u>\$26.25</u> |
| 155.12 | identification card | <u>\$32.25</u> |

155.13 ~~From August 1, 2019, to June 30, 2022,~~ The fee is increased by \$0.75 for REAL ID compliant
 155.14 or noncompliant classified driver's licenses, REAL ID compliant or noncompliant classified
 155.15 under-21 driver's licenses, and enhanced driver's licenses.

155.16 (b) In addition to each fee required in paragraph (a), the commissioner shall collect a
 155.17 surcharge of \$2.25. Surcharges collected under this paragraph must be credited to the driver
 155.18 and vehicle services technology account under section 299A.705.

155.19 (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), an individual who holds a provisional license and
 155.20 has a driving record free of (1) convictions for a violation of section 169A.20, 169A.33,
 155.21 169A.35, sections 169A.50 to 169A.53, or section 171.177, (2) convictions for crash-related
 155.22 moving violations, and (3) convictions for moving violations that are not crash related, shall
 155.23 have a \$3.50 credit toward the fee for any classified under-21 driver's license. "Moving
 155.24 violation" has the meaning given it in section 171.04, subdivision 1.

155.25 (d) In addition to the driver's license fee required under paragraph (a), the commissioner
 155.26 shall collect an additional \$4 processing fee from each new applicant or individual renewing
 155.27 a license with a school bus endorsement to cover the costs for processing an applicant's
 155.28 initial and biennial physical examination certificate. The department shall not charge these
 155.29 applicants any other fee to receive or renew the endorsement.

155.30 (e) In addition to the fee required under paragraph (a), a driver's license agent may charge
 155.31 and retain a filing fee as provided under section 171.061, subdivision 4.

155.32 (f) In addition to the fee required under paragraph (a), the commissioner shall charge a
 155.33 filing fee at the same amount as a driver's license agent under section 171.061, subdivision
 155.34 4. Revenue collected under this paragraph must be deposited in the driver services operating
 155.35 account under section 299A.705.

155.36 (g) An application for a Minnesota identification card, instruction permit, provisional
 155.37 license, or driver's license, including an application for renewal, must contain a provision

156.1 that allows the applicant to add to the fee under paragraph (a), a \$2 donation for the purposes
156.2 of public information and education on anatomical gifts under section 171.075.

156.3 Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.06, subdivision 3, as amended by Laws
156.4 2023, chapter 13, article 1, section 3, is amended to read:

156.5 Subd. 3. **Contents of application; other information.** (a) An application must:

156.6 (1) state the full name, date of birth, sex, and either (i) the residence address of the
156.7 applicant, or (ii) designated address under section 5B.05;

156.8 (2) as may be required by the commissioner, contain a description of the applicant and
156.9 any other facts pertaining to the applicant, the applicant's driving privileges, and the
156.10 applicant's ability to operate a motor vehicle with safety;

156.11 (3) state:

156.12 (i) the applicant's Social Security number; or

156.13 (ii) if the applicant does not have a Social Security number and is applying for a
156.14 Minnesota identification card, instruction permit, or class D provisional or driver's license,
156.15 that the applicant elects not to specify a Social Security number;

156.16 (4) contain a notification to the applicant of the availability of a living will/health care
156.17 directive designation on the license under section 171.07, subdivision 7; and

156.18 (5) include a method for the applicant to:

156.19 (i) request a veteran designation on the license under section 171.07, subdivision 15,
156.20 and the driving record under section 171.12, subdivision 5a;

156.21 (ii) indicate a desire to make an anatomical gift under subdivision 3b, paragraph (e);

156.22 (iii) as applicable, designate document retention as provided under section 171.12,
156.23 subdivision 3c; ~~and~~

156.24 (iv) indicate emergency contacts as provided under section 171.12, subdivision 5b; and

156.25 (v) indicate the applicant's race and ethnicity.

156.26 (b) Applications must be accompanied by satisfactory evidence demonstrating:

156.27 (1) identity, date of birth, and any legal name change if applicable; and

156.28 (2) for driver's licenses and Minnesota identification cards that meet all requirements of
156.29 the REAL ID Act:

157.1 (i) principal residence address in Minnesota, including application for a change of address,
157.2 unless the applicant provides a designated address under section 5B.05;

157.3 (ii) Social Security number, or related documentation as applicable; and

157.4 (iii) lawful status, as defined in Code of Federal Regulations, title 6, section 37.3.

157.5 (c) An application for an enhanced driver's license or enhanced identification card must
157.6 be accompanied by:

157.7 (1) satisfactory evidence demonstrating the applicant's full legal name and United States
157.8 citizenship; and

157.9 (2) a photographic identity document.

157.10 (d) A valid Department of Corrections or Federal Bureau of Prisons identification card
157.11 containing the applicant's full name, date of birth, and photograph issued to the applicant
157.12 is an acceptable form of proof of identity in an application for an identification card,
157.13 instruction permit, or driver's license as a secondary document for purposes of Minnesota
157.14 Rules, part 7410.0400, and successor rules.

157.15 (e) An application form must not provide for identification of (1) the accompanying
157.16 documents used by an applicant to demonstrate identity, or (2) except as provided in
157.17 paragraphs (b) and (c), the applicant's citizenship, immigration status, or lawful presence
157.18 in the United States. The commissioner and a driver's license agent must not inquire about
157.19 an applicant's citizenship, immigration status, or lawful presence in the United States, except
157.20 as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c).

157.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for driver's license and identification
157.22 card applications submitted on or after January 1, 2024.

157.23 Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.07, subdivision 15, is amended to read:

157.24 Subd. 15. **Veteran designation.** (a) At the request of an eligible applicant and on payment
157.25 of the required fee, the department shall issue, renew, or reissue to the applicant a driver's
157.26 license or Minnesota identification card bearing a graphic or written designation of:

157.27 (1) Veteran; or

157.28 (2) Veteran 100% T&P.

157.29 (b) At the time of the initial application for the designation provided under this
157.30 subdivision, the applicant must:

157.31 (1) be one of the following:

158.1 (i) a veteran, as defined in section 197.447; or

158.2 (ii) a retired member of the National Guard or a reserve component of the United States
158.3 armed forces;

158.4 (2) have provide a certified copy of the ~~veteran's~~ applicant's discharge papers that confirms
158.5 an honorable or general discharge under honorable conditions status, or a military retiree
158.6 identification card, veteran identification card, or veteran health identification card; and

158.7 (3) if the applicant is seeking the disability designation under paragraph (a), clause (2),
158.8 provide satisfactory evidence of a 100 percent total and permanent service-connected
158.9 disability as determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

158.10 ~~(e) The commissioner of public safety is required to issue drivers' licenses and Minnesota~~
158.11 ~~identification cards with the veteran designation only after entering a new contract or in~~
158.12 ~~coordination with producing a new card design with modifications made as required by~~
158.13 ~~law.~~

158.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective August 1, 2023, and
158.15 applies to applications submitted on or after that date.

158.16 Sec. 37. **[171.301] REINTEGRATION LICENSE.**

158.17 **Subdivision 1. Conditions of issuance.** (a) The commissioner may issue a reintegration
158.18 driver's license to any person:

158.19 (1) who is 18 years of age or older;

158.20 (2) who has been released from a period of at least 180 consecutive days of confinement
158.21 or incarceration in:

158.22 (i) an adult correctional facility under the control of the commissioner of corrections or
158.23 licensed by the commissioner of corrections under section 241.021;

158.24 (ii) a federal correctional facility for adults; or

158.25 (iii) an adult correctional facility operated under the control or supervision of any other
158.26 state; and

158.27 (3) whose license has been suspended or revoked under the circumstances listed in
158.28 section 171.30, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (4), for a violation that occurred
158.29 before the individual was incarcerated for the period described in clause (2).

158.30 (b) If the person's driver's license or permit to drive has been revoked under section
158.31 169.792 or 169.797, the commissioner may only issue a reintegration driver's license to the

159.1 person after the person has presented an insurance identification card, policy, or written
159.2 statement indicating that the driver or owner has insurance coverage satisfactory to the
159.3 commissioner.

159.4 (c) If the person's driver's license or permit to drive has been suspended under section
159.5 171.186, the commissioner may only issue a reintegration driver's license to the person after
159.6 the commissioner receives notice of a court order provided pursuant to section 518A.65,
159.7 paragraph (e), showing that the person's driver's license or operating privileges should no
159.8 longer be suspended.

159.9 (d) If the person's driver's license has been revoked under section 171.17, subdivision
159.10 1, paragraph (a), clause (1), the commissioner may only issue a reintegration driver's license
159.11 to the person after the person has completed the applicable revocation period.

159.12 (e) The commissioner must not issue a reintegration driver's license:

159.13 (1) to any person described in section 171.04, subdivision 1, clause (7), (8), (10), or
159.14 (11);

159.15 (2) to any person described in section 169A.55, subdivision 5;

159.16 (3) if the person has committed a violation after the person was released from custody
159.17 that results in the suspension, revocation, or cancellation of a driver's license, including
159.18 suspension for nonpayment of child support or maintenance payments as described in section
159.19 171.186, subdivision 1; or

159.20 (4) if the issuance would conflict with the requirements of the nonresident violator
159.21 compact.

159.22 (f) The commissioner must not issue a class A, class B, or class C reintegration driver's
159.23 license.

159.24 Subd. 2. **Application.** (a) Application for a reintegration driver's license must be made
159.25 in the form and manner approved by the commissioner.

159.26 (b) A person seeking a reintegration driver's license who was released from confinement
159.27 or incarceration on or after April 1, 2024, must apply for the license within one year of
159.28 release. A person seeking a reintegration driver's license who was released from confinement
159.29 or incarceration before April 1, 2024, must apply for the license by April 1, 2025.

159.30 Subd. 3. **Fees prohibited.** (a) For a reintegration driver's license under this section:

159.31 (1) the commissioner must not impose:

159.32 (i) a fee, surcharge, or filing fee under section 171.06, subdivision 2; or

160.1 (ii) an endorsement fee under section 171.06, subdivision 2a; and

160.2 (2) a driver's license agent must not impose a filing fee under section 171.061, subdivision

160.3 4.

160.4 (b) Issuance of a reintegration driver's license does not forgive or otherwise discharge

160.5 any unpaid fees or fines.

160.6 Subd. 4. **Cancellation of license.** (a) The commissioner must cancel the reintegration

160.7 driver's license of any person who commits a violation that would result in the suspension,

160.8 revocation, or cancellation of a driver's license, including suspension for nonpayment of

160.9 child support or maintenance payments as described in section 171.186, subdivision 1. The

160.10 commissioner must not cancel a reintegration driver's license for payment of a fine or

160.11 resolution of a criminal charge if the underlying incident occurred before the reintegration

160.12 driver's license was issued, unless the conviction would have made the person ineligible to

160.13 receive a reintegration driver's license. Except as described in paragraph (b), a person whose

160.14 reintegration driver's license is canceled under this subdivision may not be issued another

160.15 reintegration driver's license and may not operate a motor vehicle for the remainder of the

160.16 period of suspension or revocation or 30 days, whichever is longer.

160.17 (b) A person whose reintegration driver's license is canceled under paragraph (a) may

160.18 apply for a new reintegration driver's license if the person is incarcerated or confined for a

160.19 period of at least 180 consecutive days after the cancellation and the person meets the

160.20 conditions described in subdivision 1.

160.21 (c) Nothing in this section prohibits cancellation and reinstatement of a reintegration

160.22 driver's license for any other reason described in section 171.14 provided any factor making

160.23 the person not eligible for a driver's license under section 171.04 occurred or became known

160.24 to the commissioner after issuance of the reintegration driver's license.

160.25 Subd. 5. **Expiration.** A reintegration driver's license expires 15 months from the date

160.26 of issuance of the license. A reintegration driver's license may not be renewed.

160.27 Subd. 6. **Issuance of regular driver's license.** (a) Notwithstanding any statute or rule

160.28 to the contrary, the commissioner must issue a REAL ID-compliant or noncompliant license

160.29 to a person who possesses a reintegration driver's license if:

160.30 (1) the person has possessed the reintegration driver's license for at least one full year;

160.31 (2) the reintegration driver's license has not been canceled under subdivision 4 and has

160.32 not expired under subdivision 5;

161.1 (3) the person meets the application requirements under section 171.06, including payment
161.2 of the applicable fees, surcharge, and filing fee under sections 171.06, subdivisions 2 and
161.3 2a, and 171.061, subdivision 4; and

161.4 (4) issuance of the license does not conflict with the requirements of the nonresident
161.5 violator compact.

161.6 (b) The commissioner must forgive any outstanding balance due on a fee or surcharge
161.7 under section 171.29, subdivision 2, for a person who is eligible and applies for a license
161.8 under paragraph (a).

161.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective April 1, 2024.

161.10 Sec. 38. **[171.395] TELECONFERENCE DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM.**

161.11 Subdivision 1. **Authorization.** A licensed driver education program that provides both
161.12 classroom and behind-the-wheel instruction may provide teleconference driver education
161.13 as provided in this section. For purposes of this section, the driver education program must
161.14 provide both classroom and behind-the-wheel instruction. If a program partners or contracts
161.15 with a second program to provide any portion of classroom or behind-the-wheel instruction,
161.16 the first program is not eligible to provide teleconference driver education instruction.

161.17 Subd. 2. **Curriculum and instruction requirements.** (a) A teleconference driver
161.18 education program must:

161.19 (1) meet the requirements as provided in section 171.0701, subdivision 1, and Minnesota
161.20 Rules, chapter 7411, or successor rules;

161.21 (2) use teleconferencing, or another similar method, that provides live synchronous
161.22 distance learning and ensures that student questions and comments can be addressed in real
161.23 time;

161.24 (3) ensure all locations are linked using both picture and sound;

161.25 (4) use classroom instruction curriculum that is identical to the curriculum used by the
161.26 driver education program in an in-person setting;

161.27 (5) provide teleconference instruction to any student that is enrolled in the approved
161.28 driver education program; and

161.29 (6) provide teleconference interactive supplemental parent curriculum consistent with
161.30 section 171.0701, subdivision 1a.

162.1 (b) A student may receive teleconference instruction only if the driver education instructor
162.2 confirms that picture and sound allow the student to interact with the instructor in real time.

162.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

162.4 Sec. 39. **[171.396] ONLINE DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM.**

162.5 (a) A licensed driver education program may provide online driver education as provided
162.6 in this section. The online driver education program must satisfy the requirements for
162.7 classroom driver education as provided in section 171.0701, subdivision 1, and Minnesota
162.8 Rules, chapter 7411. In addition, an online driver education program must:

162.9 (1) include a means for the student to measure performance outcomes;

162.10 (2) use a pool of rotating quiz questions;

162.11 (3) incorporate accountability features to ensure the identity of the student while engaged
162.12 in the course of online study;

162.13 (4) measure the amount of time that the student spends in the course;

162.14 (5) provide technical support to customers that is available 24 hours per day, seven days
162.15 per week;

162.16 (6) require a licensed Minnesota driver education instructor to monitor each student's
162.17 progress and be available to answer questions in a timely manner, provided that the instructor
162.18 is not required to monitor progress or answer questions in real time;

162.19 (7) store course content and student data on a secure server that is protected against data
162.20 breaches and is regularly backed up;

162.21 (8) incorporate preventive measures in place to protect against the access of private
162.22 information;

162.23 (9) include the ability to update course content uniformly throughout the state; and

162.24 (10) provide online interactive supplemental parental curriculum consistent with section
162.25 171.0701, subdivision 1a.

162.26 (b) Except as required by this section, the commissioner is prohibited from imposing
162.27 requirements on online driver education programs that are not equally applicable to classroom
162.28 driver education programs.

162.29 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

163.1 Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 174.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to
163.2 read:

163.3 Subd. 3. **Greenhouse gas emissions benchmarks.** (a) In association with the goals
163.4 under subdivision 2, clauses (10) and (13) to (16), the commissioner of transportation must
163.5 establish benchmarks for the statewide greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal under
163.6 section 216H.02, subdivision 1.

163.7 (b) The benchmarks must include:

163.8 (1) establishment of proportional emissions reduction performance targets for the
163.9 transportation sector;

163.10 (2) specification of the performance targets on a five-year or more frequent basis; and

163.11 (3) allocation across the transportation sector, which:

163.12 (i) must provide for an allocation to the metropolitan area, as defined in section 473.121,
163.13 subdivision 2;

163.14 (ii) must account for differences in the feasibility and extent of emissions reductions
163.15 across forms of land use and across regions of the state; and

163.16 (iii) may include performance targets based on Department of Transportation district,
163.17 geographic region, a per capita calculation, or transportation mode, or a combination.

163.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective February 1, 2025.

163.19 Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 174.03, subdivision 1c, is amended to read:

163.20 Subd. 1c. **Minnesota state highway investment plan.** Within one year of each revision
163.21 of the statewide multimodal transportation plan under subdivision 1a, the commissioner
163.22 must prepare a 20-year Minnesota state highway investment plan that:

163.23 (1) incorporates performance measures and targets for assessing progress and achievement
163.24 of the state's transportation goals, objectives, and policies identified in this chapter for the
163.25 state trunk highway system, and those goals, objectives, and policies established in the
163.26 statewide multimodal transportation plan. Performance targets must be based on objectively
163.27 verifiable measures, and address, at a minimum:

163.28 (i) preservation and maintenance of the structural condition of state highway roadways,
163.29 bridges, pavements, roadside infrastructure, and traveler-related facilities;

163.30 (ii) safety; and

163.31 (iii) mobility;

- 164.1 (2) summarizes trends and impacts for each performance target over the past five years;
- 164.2 (3) summarizes the amount and analyzes the impact of the department's capital
164.3 investments and priorities over the past five years on each performance target, including a
164.4 comparison of prior plan projected costs with actual costs;
- 164.5 (4) identifies the investments required to meet the established performance targets over
164.6 the next 20-year period;
- 164.7 (5) projects available state and federal funding over the 20-year period, including any
164.8 unique, competitive, time-limited, or focused funding opportunities;
- 164.9 (6) identifies strategies to ensure the most efficient use of existing transportation
164.10 infrastructure, and to maximize the performance benefits of projected available funding;
- 164.11 (7) establishes investment priorities for projected funding, which must:
- 164.12 (i) provide for cost-effective preservation, maintenance, and repair to address the goal
164.13 under section 174.01, subdivision 2, clause (9), in a manner that aligns with other goals in
164.14 that section;
- 164.15 (ii) as appropriate, provide a schedule of major projects or improvement programs for
164.16 the 20-year period; and
- 164.17 (iii) identify resulting projected costs and impact on performance targets; ~~and~~
- 164.18 (8) identifies those performance targets identified under clause (1) not expected to meet
164.19 the target outcome over the 20-year period together with alternative strategies that could
164.20 be implemented to meet the targets; and
- 164.21 (9) establishes procedures and guidance for capacity expansion project development to
164.22 conform with section 161.178, subdivision 2, paragraph (a).

164.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
164.24 applies to plan revisions adopted on or after that date.

164.25 Sec. 42. **[174.46] DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES CARSHARING GRANT**
164.26 **ACCOUNT; GRANTS.**

164.27 (a) The disadvantaged communities carsharing grant account is established in the special
164.28 revenue fund. The account consists of funds provided by law and any other money donated,
164.29 allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account. Money in the account is annually
164.30 appropriated to the commissioner to make grants as provided in paragraph (b).

165.1 (b) The commissioner must administer a program to provide grants to nonprofit
165.2 organizations or carsharing operators to support the growth of carsharing in disadvantaged
165.3 communities through programs, marketing, and community engagement. A grant recipient
165.4 may use grant proceeds for capital and operational costs of a program. Eligible grant
165.5 recipients must be based in Minnesota and be either a nonprofit organization or carsharing
165.6 operator, with a preference given to nonprofit carsharing operators. Transportation
165.7 management organizations are not eligible to receive grants under this section.

165.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

165.9 Sec. 43. **[174.47] ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM.**

165.10 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have
165.11 the meanings given.

165.12 (b) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of transportation.

165.13 (c) "Program" means the electric vehicle infrastructure program established in this
165.14 section.

165.15 (d) "Project" includes but is not limited to planning, predesign, design, preliminary and
165.16 final engineering, environmental analysis, property acquisition, construction, and
165.17 maintenance.

165.18 Subd. 2. **Electric vehicle infrastructure program.** The commissioner must establish
165.19 a statewide electric vehicle infrastructure program for the purpose of implementing the
165.20 National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Formula Program and successor programs to
165.21 maximize the use of federal funds available to the state.

165.22 Subd. 3. **Authority to contract.** The commissioner may enter into an agreement with
165.23 any private or public entity to provide financial assistance for, or engage in the planning,
165.24 designing, developing, hosting, constructing, equipping, operating, or maintaining of, electric
165.25 vehicle infrastructure, including but not limited to environmental studies, preliminary
165.26 engineering, final design, construction, and developing financial and operating plans.

165.27 Subd. 4. **Program requirements.** (a) The commissioner must require that electric vehicle
165.28 infrastructure funded under the program is constructed, installed, and maintained in
165.29 conformance with the requirements under Code of Federal Regulations, title 23, section
165.30 680.106, paragraph (j), or successor requirements.

165.31 (b) An electric vehicle infrastructure project that receives funds under the program is
165.32 subject to the requirement of paying the prevailing wage rate as defined in section 177.42,

166.1 and the requirements and enforcement provisions in sections 177.27, 177.30, 177.32, 177.41
166.2 to 177.435, and 177.45.

166.3 Subd. 5. **Report.** (a) Every even-numbered year by February 1, the commissioner must
166.4 submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees
166.5 with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance regarding the electric vehicle
166.6 infrastructure program. At a minimum, the report must include:

166.7 (1) an itemization of federal funds spent for the program, including the purpose of the
166.8 expenditure and the recipient of the expenditure;

166.9 (2) an itemization of state funds spent for the program, including the purpose of the
166.10 expenditure and the recipient of the expenditure;

166.11 (3) the amount of money, from any source, that was used for department staff related to
166.12 the program;

166.13 (4) any changes to the plan that were made since the previous report was submitted;

166.14 (5) the locations of electric vehicle infrastructure created with the program, including
166.15 the type of infrastructure and whether the infrastructure is on public or private property;

166.16 (6) a description of how projects were selected; and

166.17 (7) a description of how the commissioner is ensuring electric vehicle infrastructure is
166.18 regionally balanced.

166.19 (b) The commissioner is not required to submit a report pursuant to this subdivision if,
166.20 since the previous report was submitted, no money has been spent pursuant to this section.

166.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

166.22 Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 219.015, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

166.23 Subd. 2. **Railroad company assessment; account; appropriation.** (a) As provided in
166.24 this subdivision, the commissioner shall annually assess railroad companies that are (1)
166.25 defined as common carriers under section 218.011; (2) classified by federal law or regulation
166.26 as Class I Railroads, Class I Rail Carriers, Class II Railroads, or Class II Rail Carriers; and
166.27 (3) operating in this state.

166.28 (b) The assessment must be calculated to allocate state rail safety inspection program
166.29 costs proportionally among carriers based on route miles operated in Minnesota at the time
166.30 of assessment. The commissioner must include in the assessment calculation all state rail
166.31 safety inspection program costs to support up to ~~four~~ six rail safety inspector positions,

167.1 including but not limited to salary, administration, supervision, travel, equipment, training,
167.2 and ongoing state rail inspector duties.

167.3 (c) The assessments collected under this subdivision must be deposited in a state rail
167.4 safety inspection account, which is established in the special revenue fund. The account
167.5 consists of funds provided by this subdivision and any other money donated, allotted,
167.6 transferred, or otherwise provided to the account. Money in the account is appropriated to
167.7 the commissioner to administer the state rail safety inspection program.

167.8 Sec. 45. [219.055] INCIDENT EMERGENCY RESPONSE; PREPAREDNESS AND
167.9 INFORMATION.

167.10 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) The definitions in section 115E.01 apply to this section
167.11 except as otherwise provided in this subdivision. For purposes of this section, the following
167.12 terms have the meanings given.

167.13 (b) "Applicable emergency manager" means an emergency manager having jurisdiction
167.14 along the routes over which oil or other hazardous substance cargo is transported by a rail
167.15 carrier.

167.16 (c) "Applicable fire department officer" means a fire chief or other senior officer of a
167.17 fire department having jurisdiction along the routes over which oil or other hazardous
167.18 substance cargo is transported by a rail carrier.

167.19 (d) "Emergency manager" means the director of a local organization for emergency
167.20 management under section 12.25.

167.21 (e) "Hazardous substance" means any material identified in the definition of hazardous
167.22 substance under section 115B.02, subdivision 8, or Code of Federal Regulations, title 49,
167.23 section 171.8.

167.24 (f) "Incident commander" means the official who has responsibility under National
167.25 Incident Management System guidelines for all aspects of emergency response operations
167.26 at an incident scene, including directing and controlling resources.

167.27 (g) "Rail carrier" means a railroad company that is:

167.28 (1) defined as a common carrier under section 218.011, subdivision 10;

167.29 (2) classified by federal law or regulation as a Class I Railroad, Class I Rail Carrier,
167.30 Class II Railroad, Class II Rail Carrier, Class III Railroad, or Class III Rail Carrier; and

167.31 (3) operating in this state.

168.1 Subd. 2. **Traffic review.** Within ten business days of receiving a written request, a rail
168.2 carrier must provide a traffic review to the commissioner of public safety, a requesting
168.3 emergency manager, or a fire chief having jurisdiction along the routes over which oil or
168.4 other hazardous substances are transported. The traffic review under this subdivision must
168.5 include information on the types and volumes of oil or other hazardous substances transported
168.6 through the requester's jurisdiction during the prior calendar year.

168.7 Subd. 3. **Emergency response planning; information sharing.** Upon written request,
168.8 a rail carrier must provide to the commissioner of public safety, an emergency manager, or
168.9 a fire chief having jurisdiction along the routes over which oil or other hazardous substances
168.10 are transported:

168.11 (1) a complete copy of prevention and response plans submitted under section 115E.042,
168.12 subdivision 6; and

168.13 (2) a copy of the data and information, including risk assessment information, used to
168.14 develop the rail carrier's route analysis as required under Code of Federal Regulations, title
168.15 49, section 172.820, or successor requirements.

168.16 Subd. 4. **Emergency response planning; coordination meetings.** (a) Within 30 days
168.17 of receiving a written request, a rail carrier must be available to meet with the commissioner
168.18 of public safety, a requesting emergency manager, or a fire chief having jurisdiction along
168.19 the routes over which oil or other hazardous substances are transported concerning emergency
168.20 response planning and coordination.

168.21 (b) At a meeting held under this subdivision, a rail carrier must provide:

168.22 (1) a review of the rail carrier's emergency response planning and capability, including
168.23 railroad response timelines and resources to provide:

168.24 (i) technical advice and recommendations;

168.25 (ii) trained response personnel;

168.26 (iii) specialized equipment; and

168.27 (iv) any other available resources to support an incident commander who conducts a
168.28 public safety emergency response under the National Incident Management System; and

168.29 (2) inventory information on emergency responses involving oil or other hazardous
168.30 substances, consisting of:

168.31 (i) equipment owned by the rail carrier, including equipment type and location;

168.32 (ii) the rail carrier's response personnel, including contact information and location; and

169.1 (iii) resources available to the rail carrier through contractual agreements.

169.2 Subd. 5. **Real-time emergency response information.** (a) The commissioner of public
169.3 safety must, through the Minnesota Fusion Center, receive and disseminate emergency
169.4 response information as provided under section 7302 of the FAST Act of 2015, Public Law
169.5 114-94, and federal regulations adopted under that section.

169.6 (b) On and after July 1, 2024, all rail carriers subject to this section and section 115E.042
169.7 must collectively provide information on the transportation of oil or other hazardous
169.8 substances in a digital format through a wireless communication device application.

169.9 Subd. 6. **Public safety emergency response exercises.** (a) Upon request, each rail carrier
169.10 must conduct one tabletop public safety emergency response exercise in each emergency
169.11 management region where the rail carrier transports oil or other hazardous substances. The
169.12 tabletop exercise must be conducted by July 1, 2025, and July 1 every two years thereafter.

169.13 (b) Each rail carrier must conduct one full-scale public safety emergency response
169.14 exercise every four years.

169.15 (c) In an emergency management region where more than one rail carrier operates, the
169.16 rail carriers may conduct the tabletop and full-scale exercises jointly or may alternate among
169.17 rail carriers to conduct the exercises.

169.18 (d) The rail carriers must conduct the tabletop and full-scale exercises in full coordination
169.19 with the commissioner of public safety, any interested emergency managers, and fire chiefs
169.20 having jurisdiction within the applicable emergency management region along the routes
169.21 over which oil or other hazardous substances are transported. Each tabletop and full-scale
169.22 exercise conducted under this subdivision must be attended by safety representatives of
169.23 railroad employees governed by the Railway Labor Act, United States Code, title 45, section
169.24 151, et seq.

169.25 (e) To the extent feasible, the rail carriers must coordinate the tabletop and full-scale
169.26 exercises among each other and with exercises under section 115E.042, subdivision 5.

169.27 Subd. 7. **Incident commander response site exercises.** (a) Upon request, each rail
169.28 carrier must conduct one tabletop incident commander emergency exercise in each emergency
169.29 management region where the rail carrier transports oil or other hazardous substances. The
169.30 tabletop exercise must be conducted under the time limits provided in section 115E.042,
169.31 subdivision 4, and coordinate the railroad's response actions and recommendations to the
169.32 incident commander regarding the response as provided in section 115E.042, subdivision
169.33 3.

170.1 (b) Each rail carrier must conduct one full-scale incident commander response site
170.2 exercise every four years.

170.3 (c) In an emergency management region where more than one rail carrier operates, the
170.4 rail carriers may conduct the incident commander response site tabletop and full-scale
170.5 exercises jointly or may alternate among rail carriers to conduct the exercises.

170.6 (d) The rail carriers must conduct the incident commander response site tabletop and
170.7 full-scale exercises with the commissioner of public safety, any interested emergency
170.8 managers, any interested incident commanders, and fire chiefs having jurisdiction within
170.9 the applicable emergency management region along the routes over which oil or other
170.10 hazardous substances are transported. Each tabletop and full-scale exercise conducted under
170.11 this subdivision must be attended by safety representatives of railroad employees governed
170.12 by the Railway Labor Act, United States Code, title 45, section 151, et seq.

170.13 (e) A rail carrier must provide by telephone a qualified company representative with
170.14 knowledge of the rail carrier's response resources during the exercises.

170.15 **Subd. 8. Transportation and response planning data.** (a) Any data provided under
170.16 subdivisions 2 to 7 to an emergency manager, incident commander, emergency first
170.17 responder, fire chief, or the commissioner of public safety are nonpublic data, as defined
170.18 under section 13.02, subdivision 9.

170.19 (b) Any prevention and response plan data created under section 115E.042, subdivision
170.20 6, that is in the possession of an emergency manager, incident commander, emergency first
170.21 responder, or fire chief are nonpublic data, as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 9.

170.22 Sec. 46. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 219.1651, is amended to read:

170.23 **219.1651 GRADE CROSSING SAFETY ACCOUNT.**

170.24 A Minnesota grade crossing safety account is created in the special revenue fund,
170.25 consisting of money credited to the account by law. Money in the account is appropriated
170.26 to the commissioner of transportation for rail-highway grade crossing safety projects on
170.27 public streets and highways, including engineering costs and other costs associated with
170.28 administration and delivery of grade crossing safety projects. At the discretion of the
170.29 commissioner of transportation, money in the account at the end of each biennium may
170.30 cancel to the trunk highway fund.

171.1 Sec. 47. [219.752] MINIMUM CREW SIZE.

171.2 (a) For purposes of this section, "shared corridor" means a segment of railroad track in
171.3 which light rail transit operates within or adjacent to right-of-way used in freight rail
171.4 operation.

171.5 (b) A Class I Railroad, Class II Railroad, or a railroad while operating in a shared corridor
171.6 must not operate a train or light engine used in connection with the movement of freight
171.7 unless it has a crew of a minimum of two individuals. This section does not apply to hostler
171.8 services or utility employees.

171.9 (c) Any railroad that willfully violates this section must pay a fine of not less than \$250
171.10 or more than \$1,000 for a first offense, not less than \$1,000 or more than \$5,000 for a second
171.11 offense committed within three years of the first offense, and not less than \$5,000 nor more
171.12 than \$10,000 for a third or subsequent offense committed within three years of the first
171.13 offense.

171.14 (d) Fines prescribed in this section must be recovered in a civil action before a judge of
171.15 the county in which the violation occurs.

171.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective 30 days following final enactment.

171.17 Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 222.37, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

171.18 Subdivision 1. **Use requirements.** Any water power, telegraph, telephone, pneumatic
171.19 tube, pipeline, community antenna television, cable communications or electric light, heat,
171.20 power company, entity that receives a route permit under chapter 216E for a high-voltage
171.21 transmission line necessary to interconnect an electric power generating facility with
171.22 transmission lines or associated facilities of an entity that directly, or through its members
171.23 or agents, provides retail electric service in the state, or fire department may use public
171.24 roads for the purpose of constructing, using, operating, and maintaining lines, subways,
171.25 canals, conduits, transmission lines, hydrants, or dry hydrants, for their business, but such
171.26 lines shall be so located as in no way to interfere with the safety and convenience of ordinary
171.27 travel along or over the same; and, in the construction and maintenance of such line, subway,
171.28 canal, conduit, transmission lines, hydrants, or dry hydrants, the ~~company~~ entity shall be
171.29 subject to all reasonable regulations imposed by the governing body of any county, town
171.30 or city in which such public road may be. If the governing body does not require the ~~company~~
171.31 entity to obtain a permit, ~~a company~~ an entity shall notify the governing body of any county,
171.32 town, or city having jurisdiction over a public road prior to the construction or major repair,
171.33 involving extensive excavation on the road right-of-way, of the ~~company's~~ entity's equipment

172.1 along, over, or under the public road, unless the governing body waives the notice
172.2 requirement. A waiver of the notice requirement must be renewed on an annual basis. For
172.3 emergency repair ~~a company~~ an entity shall notify the governing body as soon as practical
172.4 after the repair is made. Nothing herein shall be construed to grant to any person any rights
172.5 for the maintenance of a telegraph, telephone, pneumatic tube, community antenna television
172.6 system, cable communications system, or light, heat, power system, electric power generating
172.7 system, high-voltage transmission line, or hydrant system within the corporate limits of any
172.8 city until such person shall have obtained the right to maintain such system within such city
172.9 or for a period beyond that for which the right to operate such system is granted by such
172.10 city.

172.11 **Sec. 49. [290.0687] ELECTRIC-ASSISTED BICYCLE CREDIT.**

172.12 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have
172.13 the meaning given.

172.14 (b) "Electric-assisted bicycle" has the meaning given in section 169.011, subdivision
172.15 27, except that the term is limited to a new electric-assisted bicycle purchased from an
172.16 electric-assisted-bicycle retailer.

172.17 (c) "Qualifying accessories" means a bicycle helmet, lights, lock, luggage rack, basket,
172.18 bag or backpack, fenders, or reflective clothing.

172.19 Subd. 2. **Credit allowed.** (a) An individual who is a resident of Minnesota is allowed a
172.20 credit against the tax imposed by this chapter equal to 75 percent of the amount paid for an
172.21 electric-assisted bicycle in the taxable year, including any qualifying accessories. The credit
172.22 is limited to \$1,500, except for a married taxpayer filing a joint return, the limit is \$1,500
172.23 per spouse.

172.24 (b) The credit percentage in paragraph (a) is reduced by one percentage point until the
172.25 credit percentage equals 50 percent, for each \$4,000 of adjusted gross income for the taxable
172.26 year ending in the calendar year prior to the calendar year in excess of:

172.27 (1) \$50,000 for a married taxpayer filing a joint return; and

172.28 (2) \$25,000 for all other filers.

172.29 A taxpayer may claim the credit under this section only once. For married taxpayers filing
172.30 a joint return, each spouse may claim the credit once.

172.31 (c) For purposes of determining the credit under this section, the commissioner must
172.32 use the taxpayer's adjusted gross income for the taxable year ending in the calendar year

173.1 prior to the calendar year in which the taxpayer applies for the credit under subdivision 3,
173.2 paragraph (a).

173.3 Subd. 3. **Application; administration of credit; transferability.** (a) To claim the credit
173.4 under this section, a taxpayer must submit to the commissioner an application for the credit
173.5 in the form prescribed by the commissioner.

173.6 (b) Upon approving an application for a credit, the commissioner must issue a credit
173.7 certificate to an eligible taxpayer stating the credit percentage, the taxable year for which
173.8 the credit is allocated, and maximum credit for which the taxpayer is eligible. For a married
173.9 taxpayer filing a joint return, each spouse may apply to the commissioner separately, and
173.10 the commissioner must issue each spouse a separate credit certificate.

173.11 (c) The commissioner must allocate credits on a first-come, first-served basis, except
173.12 that the commissioner must reserve 40 percent of the credits for a married taxpayer filing
173.13 a joint return with an adjusted gross income of less than \$78,000 or any other filer with an
173.14 adjusted gross income of less than \$41,000. Any portion of a taxable year's allocation under
173.15 this paragraph that is not allocated by September 30 of the taxable year is available for
173.16 allocation to other credit applications beginning on October 1.

173.17 (d) The commissioner must not allocate an amount of credits totaling more than
173.18 \$2,000,000 each year. If the entire annual amount is not allocated in the taxable year
173.19 beginning after December 31, 2023, and before January 1, 2025, any remaining amount is
173.20 available for the taxable year beginning after December 31, 2024, and before January 1,
173.21 2026. The commissioner must not award any credits for taxable years beginning after
173.22 December 31, 2025.

173.23 Subd. 4. **Credit refundable; appropriation.** If the amount of credit which the taxpayer
173.24 is eligible to receive under this section exceeds the taxpayer's tax liability under this chapter,
173.25 the commissioner must refund the excess to the taxpayer. An amount sufficient to pay the
173.26 refunds allowed under this section is appropriated to the commissioner from the general
173.27 fund.

173.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for taxable years beginning after December
173.29 31, 2023, and before January 1, 2026.

173.30 Sec. 50. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297A.64, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

173.31 Subdivision 1. **Tax imposed.** (a) A tax is imposed on the lease or rental in this state for
173.32 not more than 28 days of a passenger automobile as defined in section 168.002, subdivision
173.33 24, a van as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 40, or a pickup truck as defined in

174.1 section 168.002, subdivision 26. The rate of tax is 9.2 percent of the sales price. The tax
174.2 applies whether or not the vehicle is licensed in the state.

174.3 (b) The provisions of paragraph (a) do not apply to the vehicles of a nonprofit corporation
174.4 or similar entity consisting of individual or group members who pay the organization for
174.5 the use of a motor vehicle if the organization:

174.6 (1) owns, leases, or operates a fleet of vehicles of the type subject to the tax under this
174.7 subdivision that are available to its members for use, priced on the basis of intervals of one
174.8 hour or less;

174.9 (2) parks its vehicles in the public right-of-way or at unstaffed, self-service locations
174.10 that are accessible at any time of the day; and

174.11 (3) maintains its vehicles, insures its vehicles on behalf of its members, and purchases
174.12 fuel for its fleet.

174.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for sales and purchases made after June
174.14 30, 2023.

174.15 Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297A.64, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

174.16 Subd. 2. **Fee imposed.** (a) A fee equal to five percent of the sales price is imposed on
174.17 leases or rentals of vehicles subject to the tax under subdivision 1. The lessor on the invoice
174.18 to the customer may designate the fee as "a fee imposed by the State of Minnesota for the
174.19 registration of rental cars."

174.20 (b) The provisions of this subdivision do not apply to the vehicles of a nonprofit
174.21 corporation or similar entity, consisting of individual or group members who pay the
174.22 organization for the use of a motor vehicle, if the organization:

174.23 (1) owns or leases a fleet of vehicles of the type subject to the tax under subdivision 1
174.24 that are available to its members for use, priced on the basis of intervals of one hour or less;

174.25 (2) parks its vehicles in the public right-of-way or at unstaffed, self-service locations
174.26 that are accessible at any time of the day; and

174.27 (3) maintains its vehicles, insures its vehicles on behalf of its members, and purchases
174.28 fuel for its fleet; ~~and~~

174.29 ~~(4) does not charge usage rates that decline on a per unit basis, whether specified based~~
174.30 ~~on distance or time.~~

175.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for sales and purchases made after June
175.2 30, 2023.

175.3 Sec. 52. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 299A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision
175.4 to read:

175.5 Subd. 8. **Traffic safety report.** Annually by January 2, the commissioner of public
175.6 safety must submit a traffic safety report to the governor and the chairs and ranking minority
175.7 members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over traffic safety and enforcement.
175.8 In preparing the report, the commissioner must seek advice and comments from the Advisory
175.9 Council on Traffic Safety under section 4.076. The report must analyze the safety of
175.10 Minnesota's roads and transportation system, including but not limited to:

175.11 (1) injuries and fatalities that occur on or near a roadway or other transportation system
175.12 facility;

175.13 (2) factors that caused crashes resulting in injuries and fatalities;

175.14 (3) roadway and system improvements broadly and at specific locations that could reduce
175.15 injuries and fatalities;

175.16 (4) enforcement and education efforts that could reduce injuries and fatalities;

175.17 (5) other safety improvements or programs to improve the quality of the roadway and
175.18 transportation use experience; and

175.19 (6) existing resources and resource gaps for roadway and transportation system safety
175.20 improvements.

175.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

175.22 Sec. 53. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 299A.55, is amended to read:

175.23 **299A.55 RAILROAD AND PIPELINE SAFETY; OIL AND OTHER HAZARDOUS**
175.24 **MATERIALS SUBSTANCES.**

175.25 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have
175.26 the meanings given them.

175.27 (b) "Applicable rail carrier" means a railroad company that is subject to an assessment
175.28 under section 219.015, subdivision 2.

175.29 (c) "Emergency manager" has the meaning given in section 219.055, subdivision 1.

176.1 (d) "Hazardous substance" has the meaning given in section 115B.02, subdivision 8
176.2 means any material identified in the definition of hazardous substance under section 115B.02,
176.3 subdivision 8, or Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, section 171.8.

176.4 ~~(d)~~ (e) "Incident compelling a significant response" means an event involving rail carrier
176.5 or pipeline company operations and a derailment, collision, discharge, or other similar
176.6 activity resulting in applicable response actions performed by firefighters, peace officers,
176.7 incident commanders, emergency managers, or emergency first responders. For purposes
176.8 of this paragraph, "applicable response actions" consist of one or more of the following: a
176.9 request for mutual aid or special response resources, establishment of an exclusion zone,
176.10 an order for evacuation or shelter in place, or emergency notification to the general public.

176.11 (f) "Oil" has the meaning given in section 115E.01, subdivision 8.

176.12 ~~(e)~~ (g) "Pipeline company" means any individual, partnership, association, or public or
176.13 private corporation who owns and operates pipeline facilities and is required to show specific
176.14 preparedness under section 115E.03, subdivision 2.

176.15 **Subd. 2. Railroad and pipeline safety account.** (a) A railroad and pipeline safety
176.16 account is created in the special revenue fund. The account consists of funds collected under
176.17 subdivision 4 and funds donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account.

176.18 (b) ~~\$104,000~~ \$140,000 is annually appropriated from the railroad and pipeline safety
176.19 account to the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency for environmental protection
176.20 activities related to railroad discharge preparedness under chapter 115E.

176.21 (c) ~~\$600,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$600,000 in fiscal year 2019 are appropriated~~
176.22 \$750,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$1,500,000 in each subsequent fiscal year are transferred
176.23 from the railroad and pipeline safety account to the commissioner of transportation for
176.24 improving safety at railroad grade crossings grade crossing safety account under section
176.25 219.1651.

176.26 (d) Following the appropriation in ~~paragraphs~~ paragraph (b) and the transfer in paragraph
176.27 (c), the remaining money in the account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of
176.28 public safety for the purposes specified in subdivision 3.

176.29 **Subd. 3. Allocation of funds.** (a) Subject to funding appropriated for this subdivision,
176.30 the commissioner shall provide funds for training and response preparedness related to (1)
176.31 derailments, discharge incidents, or spills involving trains carrying oil or other hazardous
176.32 substances, and (2) pipeline discharge incidents or spills involving oil or other hazardous
176.33 substances.

- 177.1 (b) The commissioner shall allocate available funds as follows:
- 177.2 (1) \$100,000 annually for emergency response teams; and
- 177.3 (2) the remaining amount to the Board of Firefighter Training and Education under
- 177.4 section 299N.02 ~~and~~, the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and
- 177.5 the State Fire Marshal Division.
- 177.6 (c) Prior to making allocations under paragraph (b), the commissioner shall consult with
- 177.7 the Fire Service Advisory Committee under section 299F.012, subdivision 2.
- 177.8 (d) The commissioner and the entities identified in paragraph (b), clause (2), shall
- 177.9 prioritize uses of funds based on:
- 177.10 (1) ~~firefighter~~ training needs for firefighters, emergency managers, incident commanders,
- 177.11 and emergency first responders;
- 177.12 (2) community risk from discharge incidents or spills;
- 177.13 (3) geographic balance;
- 177.14 (4) risks to the general public; and
- 177.15 (5) recommendations of the Fire Service Advisory Committee.
- 177.16 (e) The following are permissible uses of funds provided under this subdivision:
- 177.17 (1) training costs, which may include, but are not limited to, training curriculum, trainers,
- 177.18 trainee overtime salary, other personnel overtime salary, and tuition;
- 177.19 (2) costs of gear and equipment related to hazardous materials readiness, response, and
- 177.20 management, which may include, but are not limited to, original purchase, maintenance,
- 177.21 and replacement;
- 177.22 (3) supplies related to the uses under clauses (1) and (2); ~~and~~
- 177.23 (4) emergency preparedness planning and coordination;
- 177.24 (5) emergency response team costs;
- 177.25 (6) public safety emergency response exercises under section 219.055, subdivision 6;
- 177.26 (7) incident commander and response site response exercises under section 219.055,
- 177.27 subdivision 7;
- 177.28 (8) postincident review and analysis under subdivision 5, based on costs incurred to state
- 177.29 agencies and local units of government; and
- 177.30 (9) public education and outreach, including but not limited to:

178.1 (i) informing and engaging the public regarding hazards of derailments and discharge
178.2 incidents;

178.3 (ii) assisting the development of evacuation readiness;

178.4 (iii) undertaking public information campaigns; and

178.5 (iv) providing accurate information to the media on likelihood and consequences of
178.6 derailments and discharge incidents.

178.7 (f) Notwithstanding paragraph (b), clause (2), from funds in the railroad and pipeline
178.8 safety account provided for the purposes under this subdivision, the commissioner may
178.9 retain a balance in the account for budgeting in subsequent fiscal years.

178.10 **Subd. 4. Assessments.** (a) The commissioner of public safety shall annually assess
178.11 ~~\$2,500,000~~ \$4,000,000 to railroad and pipeline companies based on the formula specified
178.12 in paragraph (b). The commissioner shall deposit funds collected under this subdivision in
178.13 the railroad and pipeline safety account under subdivision 2.

178.14 (b) The assessment for each railroad is ~~50~~ 70 percent of the total annual assessment
178.15 amount, divided in equal proportion between applicable rail carriers based on route miles
178.16 operated in Minnesota. The assessment for each pipeline company is ~~50~~ 30 percent of the
178.17 total annual assessment amount, divided in equal proportion between companies based on
178.18 the yearly aggregate gallons of oil and other hazardous ~~substance~~ substances transported
178.19 by pipeline in Minnesota.

178.20 ~~(c) The assessments under this subdivision expire July 1, 2017~~ In addition to the amount
178.21 identified in paragraph (a), the commissioner must assess the rail carrier or pipeline company
178.22 involved in an incident compelling a significant response for all postincident review and
178.23 analysis costs under subdivision 5 incurred by the state and local units of government. This
178.24 paragraph applies regardless of whether an assessment is imposed under paragraph (a) in a
178.25 fiscal year.

178.26 **Subd. 5. Postincident review and analysis; legislative report; data.** (a) After an
178.27 incident compelling a significant response, or upon request of a fire chief or emergency
178.28 manager after an incident, the commissioner must ensure a postincident review and analysis
178.29 is performed in a timely manner. The review and analysis must be undertaken under an
178.30 agreement with an entity having relevant knowledge and experience that is fully independent
178.31 of the state, any local units of government involved in the incident, rail carriers, and pipeline
178.32 companies.

179.1 (b) The review and analysis process must include an after action review and must
179.2 evaluate, at a minimum, processes occurring during the incident for emergency assessment,
179.3 hazard operations, population protection, and incident management. The review and analysis
179.4 must be designed to minimize duplication of topics and issues addressed in any federal
179.5 review of the incident.

179.6 (c) By March 1 following any calendar year in which one or more postincident reviews
179.7 and analyses are performed, the commissioner must submit a report to the chairs and ranking
179.8 minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation and
179.9 public safety policy and finance. The report must:

179.10 (1) provide a summary of the incidents;

179.11 (2) identify findings, lessons learned, and process changes; and

179.12 (3) make recommendations for legislative changes, if any.

179.13 (d) Except for the report under paragraph (c), any data under this subdivision are
179.14 nonpublic data, as defined under section 13.02, subdivision 9.

179.15 Sec. 54. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 360.915, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

179.16 Subd. 6. **Administration.** ~~(a)~~ The commissioner must maintain records on stand-alone
179.17 meteorological towers under this section and must provide information on stand-alone
179.18 meteorological tower locations on the department's website.

179.19 ~~(b) The commissioner must deposit revenue received under this section in the state~~
179.20 ~~airports fund.~~

179.21 Sec. 55. Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 6, article 3, section 103, is amended to
179.22 read:

179.23 Sec. 103. **ADDITIONAL DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR**
179.24 **HENNEPIN COUNTY.**

179.25 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 168.33, and rules adopted by the
179.26 commissioner of public safety, limiting sites for the office of deputy registrar based on
179.27 either the distance to an existing deputy registrar office or the annual volume of transactions
179.28 processed by any deputy registrar within Hennepin County before or after the proposed
179.29 appointment, the commissioner of public safety shall appoint a new deputy registrar of
179.30 motor vehicles and driver's license agent for Hennepin County to operate a new full-service
179.31 office of deputy registrar, with full authority to function as a registration and motor vehicle

180.1 tax collection and driver's license bureau, at the Midtown Exchange Building and the North
 180.2 Minneapolis Service Center at 1001 Plymouth Avenue North in the city of Minneapolis.
 180.3 The addition of a deputy registrar shall make the North Minneapolis Service Center a
 180.4 full-service office of deputy registrar with full authority to function as a registration and
 180.5 motor vehicle tax collection and driver's license bureau. All other provisions regarding the
 180.6 appointment and operation of a deputy registrar of motor vehicles and driver's license agent
 180.7 under Minnesota Statutes, sections 168.33 and 171.061, and Minnesota Rules, chapter 7406,
 180.8 apply to the office.

180.9 **Sec. 56. ADDITIONAL DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR**
 180.10 **RAMSEY COUNTY.**

180.11 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 168.33, and rules adopted by the
 180.12 commissioner of public safety limiting sites for the office of deputy registrar based on either
 180.13 the distance to an existing deputy registrar office or the annual volume of transactions
 180.14 processed by any deputy registrar within Ramsey County before or after the proposed
 180.15 appointment, the commissioner of public safety shall appoint a new private deputy registrar
 180.16 of motor vehicles to operate a new office of deputy registrar, with full authority to function
 180.17 as a registration and motor vehicle tax collection bureau, at or in the vicinity of the Hmong
 180.18 Village shopping center at 1001 Johnson Parkway in the city of St. Paul. All other provisions
 180.19 regarding the appointment and operation of a deputy registrar of motor vehicles under
 180.20 Minnesota Statutes, section 168.33, and Minnesota Rules, chapter 7406, apply to the office.

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

180.22 **Sec. 57. CLEAN TRANSPORTATION STANDARD AND SUSTAINABLE**
 180.23 **AVIATION FUEL WORKING GROUP; REPORT REQUIRED.**

180.24 Subdivision 1. **Creation.** By August 1, 2023, the commissioners of the Pollution Control
 180.25 Agency, transportation, commerce, and agriculture must convene a Clean Transportation
 180.26 Standard and Sustainable Aviation Fuel Working Group to study and address information
 180.27 gaps and opportunities related to a clean transportation standard that requires the aggregate
 180.28 carbon intensity of transportation fuel supplied to Minnesota be reduced to at least 25 percent
 180.29 below the 2018 baseline level by the end of 2030, by 75 percent by the end of 2040, and by
 180.30 100 percent by the end of 2050. The task force must also study how to incentivize the
 180.31 production and use of sustainable aviation fuel and consult with aviation industry
 180.32 representatives to determine the production levels needed to deliver net-zero emissions in
 180.33 aviation by 2050.

181.1 Subd. 2. **Membership.** Appointments to the working group are made pursuant to
181.2 Minnesota Statutes, section 15.0597. Appointments to the working group must attempt to
181.3 achieve equitable representation from agricultural interests, renewable fuel producers,
181.4 transportation fuel producers, technology providers, Tribal communities, environmental
181.5 organizations, science organizations, environmental justice organizations, automotive
181.6 manufacturers, forestry interests, electric utilities, electric vehicle charging infrastructure
181.7 companies, aviation interests, and water quality interests.

181.8 Subd. 3. **Administration.** Appointments and designations to the working group authorized
181.9 by this section must be completed by July 1, 2023. Public members serve without
181.10 compensation or payment of expenses. The members of the working group must select a
181.11 chair from its membership who must not be a commissioner or their designee.

181.12 Subd. 4. **Report.** By February 1, 2024, the working group must submit its findings and
181.13 recommendations to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees
181.14 with jurisdiction over transportation and energy policy.

181.15 Subd. 5. **Expiration.** The working group expires on January 1, 2025, or upon submission
181.16 of the report required under subdivision 4, whichever is earlier.

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

181.18 Sec. 58. **ELECTRIC VEHICLE TAX AND REGISTRATION STUDY REQUIRED.**

181.19 By January 1, 2024, the commissioners of transportation and management and budget
181.20 must submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees
181.21 with jurisdiction over transportation and finance policy regarding the equalization of
181.22 registration fees imposed on electric vehicles with the gasoline tax revenue generated by
181.23 gasoline-powered vehicles. The study must, at a minimum, evaluate proposals and
181.24 recommend legislation to determine the amount of revenue needed from registration fees
181.25 of electric vehicles, plug-in hybrid electric vehicles, and vehicles with efficient gasoline
181.26 consumption characteristics to equalize the revenue lost from the gasoline tax.

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

181.28 Sec. 59. **FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION GRANTS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**

181.29 Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "commissioner" means the
181.30 commissioner of transportation.

181.31 Subd. 2. **Technical assistance grants.** (a) Subject to an appropriation, the commissioner
181.32 must establish a process to provide grants for technical assistance to a requesting local unit

182.1 of government or Tribal government that seeks to submit an application for a federal
182.2 discretionary grant for a transportation-related purpose.

182.3 (b) A transportation-related purpose includes but is not limited to a project, a program,
182.4 planning, program delivery, administrative costs, ongoing operations, and other related
182.5 expenditures. Technical assistance includes but is not limited to hiring consultants for
182.6 identification of available grants, grant writing, analysis, data collection, technical review,
182.7 legal interpretations necessary to complete an application, planning, pre-engineering,
182.8 application finalization, and similar activities.

182.9 Subd. 3. **Evaluation criteria.** (a) The commissioner must establish a process for
182.10 solicitation, submission of requests for technical assistance, screening requests, and award
182.11 of technical assistance grants.

182.12 (b) The process must include criteria for projects or purposes that:

182.13 (1) address or mitigate the impacts of climate change, including through:

182.14 (i) reduction in transportation-related pollution or emissions; and

182.15 (ii) improvements to the resiliency of infrastructure that is subject to long-term risks
182.16 from natural disasters, weather events, or changing climate conditions;

182.17 (2) are located in areas of persistent poverty or historically disadvantaged communities
182.18 disrupted, displaced, or otherwise harmed by the past infrastructure decisions as measured
182.19 and defined in federal law, guidance, and notices of funding opportunity;

182.20 (3) improve safety for motorized and nonmotorized users;

182.21 (4) are located in townships or in cities that are eligible for small cities assistance aid
182.22 under Minnesota Statutes, section 162.145;

182.23 (5) support grants to Tribal governments; and

182.24 (6) provide for geographic balance of grants throughout the state.

182.25 Subd. 4. **Limitations.** (a) A technical assistance grant may not exceed \$30,000.

182.26 (b) The commissioner may not award more than one grant to each unit of government
182.27 in a calendar year. The commissioner may award multiple grants to a Tribal government in
182.28 a calendar year.

182.29 (c) Not less than 15 percent of the available funding must be reserved for Tribal
182.30 governments. Not less than 15 percent of the available funding must be reserved for
182.31 townships and for cities that are eligible for small cities assistance aid under Minnesota

183.1 Statutes, section 162.145. Unused reserved funds at the end of a fiscal year may be used
183.2 for grants to any eligible recipient in the following fiscal year.

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

183.4 Sec. 60. **FINANCIAL REVIEW OF GRANT AND BUSINESS SUBSIDY**

183.5 **RECIPIENTS.**

183.6 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) As used in this section, the following terms have the
183.7 meanings given.

183.8 (b) "Grant" means a grant or business subsidy funded by an appropriation in this act.

183.9 (c) "Grantee" means a business entity as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 5.001.

183.10 Subd. 2. **Financial information required; determination of ability to perform.** Before
183.11 an agency awards a competitive, legislatively named, single source, or sole source grant,
183.12 the agency must assess the risk that a grantee cannot or would not perform the required
183.13 duties. In making this assessment, the agency must review the following information:

183.14 (1) the grantee's history of performing duties similar to those required by the grant,
183.15 whether the size of the grant requires the grantee to perform services at a significantly
183.16 increased scale, and whether the size of the grant will require significant changes to the
183.17 operation of the grantee's organization;

183.18 (2) for a grantee that is a nonprofit organization, the grantee's Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
183.19 filed with the Internal Revenue Service in each of the prior three years. If the grantee has
183.20 not been in existence long enough or is not required to file Form 990 or Form 990-EZ, the
183.21 grantee must demonstrate to the grantor's satisfaction that the grantee is exempt and must
183.22 instead submit the grantee's most recent board-reviewed financial statements and
183.23 documentation of internal controls;

183.24 (3) for a for-profit business, three years of federal and state tax returns, current financial
183.25 statements, certification that the business is not under bankruptcy proceedings, and disclosure
183.26 of any liens on its assets. If a business has not been in business long enough to have three
183.27 years of tax returns, the grantee must demonstrate to the grantor's satisfaction that the grantee
183.28 has appropriate internal financial controls;

183.29 (4) evidence of registration and good standing with the secretary of state under Minnesota
183.30 Statutes, chapter 317A, or other applicable law;

184.1 (5) if the grantee's total annual revenue exceeds \$750,000, the grantee's most recent
184.2 financial audit performed by an independent third party in accordance with generally accepted
184.3 accounting principles; and

184.4 (6) certification, provided by the grantee, that none of its principals have been convicted
184.5 of a financial crime.

184.6 Subd. 3. **Additional measures for some grantees.** The agency may require additional
184.7 information and must provide enhanced oversight for grants that have not previously received
184.8 state or federal grants for similar amounts or similar duties and so have not yet demonstrated
184.9 the ability to perform the duties required under the grant on the scale required.

184.10 Subd. 4. **Assistance from administration.** An agency without adequate resources or
184.11 experience to perform obligations under this section may contract with the commissioner
184.12 of administration to perform the agency's duties under this section.

184.13 Subd. 5. **Agency authority to not award grant.** If an agency determines that there is
184.14 an appreciable risk that a grantee receiving a competitive, single source, or sole source grant
184.15 cannot or would not perform the required duties under the grant agreement, the agency must
184.16 notify the grantee and the commissioner of administration and give the grantee an opportunity
184.17 to respond to the agency's concerns. If the grantee does not satisfy the agency's concerns
184.18 within 45 days, the agency must not award the grant.

184.19 Subd. 6. **Legislatively named grantees.** If an agency determines that there is an
184.20 appreciable risk that a grantee receiving a legislatively named grant cannot or would not
184.21 perform the required duties under the grant agreement, the agency must notify the grantee,
184.22 the commissioner of administration, and the chair and ranking minority members of Ways
184.23 and Means Committee in the house of representatives, the chairs and ranking minority
184.24 members of the Finance Committee in the senate, and the chairs and ranking minority
184.25 members of the committees in the house of representatives and the senate with primary
184.26 jurisdiction over the bill in which the money for the grant was appropriated. The agency
184.27 must give the grantee an opportunity to respond to the agency's concerns. If the grantee
184.28 does not satisfy the agency's concerns within 45 days, the agency must delay award of the
184.29 grant until adjournment of the next regular or special legislative session.

184.30 Subd. 7. **Subgrants.** If a grantee will disburse the money received from the grant to
184.31 other organizations to perform duties required under the grant agreement, the agency must
184.32 be a party to agreements between the grantee and a subgrantee. Before entering agreements
184.33 for subgrants, the agency must perform the financial review required under this section with
184.34 respect to the subgrantees.

185.1 Subd. 8. **Effect.** The requirements of this section are in addition to other requirements
185.2 imposed by law; the commissioner of administration under Minnesota Statutes, sections
185.3 16B.97 to 16B.98; or agency grant policy.

185.4 **Sec. 61. LEGISLATIVE REPORT; SPEED SAFETY CAMERAS.**

185.5 (a) By January 3, 2024, the commissioner of public safety must submit a report to the
185.6 chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over
185.7 transportation policy and finance that identifies a process and associated policies for issuance
185.8 of a mailed citation to the owner or lessee of a motor vehicle that a speed safety camera
185.9 system detects is operated in violation of a speed limit.

185.10 (b) The commissioner must convene a task force to assist in the development of the
185.11 report. The task force must include the Advisory Council on Traffic Safety under Minnesota
185.12 Statutes, section 4.076, a representative from the Minnesota County Attorneys Association,
185.13 a person with expertise in data privacy, and may include other members as the commissioner
185.14 determines are necessary to develop the report.

185.15 (c) At a minimum, the report must include consideration and analysis of:

185.16 (1) methods to identify the owner, operator, and any lessee of the motor vehicle;

185.17 (2) compliance with federal enforcement requirements related to holders of a commercial
185.18 driver's license;

185.19 (3) authority of individuals who are not peace officers to issue citations;

185.20 (4) data practices, including but not limited to concerns related to data privacy;

185.21 (5) due process, an appeals process, and the judicial system;

185.22 (6) technology options, constraints, and factors;

185.23 (7) other legal issues; and

185.24 (8) recommendations regarding implementation, including but not limited to any
185.25 legislative proposal and information on implementation costs.

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

185.27 **Sec. 62. MIDTOWN GREENWAY BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN TRAIL**
185.28 **EXPANSION PLANNING.**

185.29 (a) The Metropolitan Council must plan continuous and dedicated bicycle and pedestrian
185.30 trails from the current eastern terminus of the Midtown Greenway in Hennepin County to

186.1 27th Avenue Southeast in Hennepin County and to Allianz Field in Ramsey County. The
186.2 Metropolitan Council may use available funding to support project management and
186.3 implementation, data collection, legal analysis, community engagement, and use of
186.4 consultants.

186.5 (b) When planning the trail expansions, the Metropolitan Council must coordinate with
186.6 the Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority, the Ramsey County Regional Railroad
186.7 Authority, other local governments, and affected property owners.

186.8 (c) The bicycle and pedestrian trails to be planned must include the following segments:

186.9 (1) Segment 1 from the eastern terminus of the Midtown Greenway extending eastward
186.10 over the Short Line Bridge on the railroad right-of-way to Cleveland Avenue North in the
186.11 city of St. Paul. Segment 1 must include a connection to the existing bicycle facility on
186.12 Pelham Boulevard via a new trail on St. Anthony Avenue;

186.13 (2) Segment 2 from the eastern end of the Short Line Bridge extending over marked
186.14 Interstate Highway 94 to the existing bicycle facility on 27th Avenue Southeast in the city
186.15 of Minneapolis. Segment 2 must include connections to Franklin Avenue Southeast, Cecil
186.16 Street Southeast, Seymour Avenue Southeast, and the existing pedestrian bridge at Seymour
186.17 Avenue Southeast over marked Interstate Highway 94;

186.18 (3) Segment 3 from Cleveland Avenue North extending eastward on Gilbert Avenue to
186.19 Prior Avenue North and on Prior Avenue North northward to the intersection of Prior Avenue
186.20 North and St. Anthony Avenue;

186.21 (4) Segment 4 from Prior Avenue North extending eastward on St. Anthony Avenue to
186.22 the existing bicycle and pedestrian bridge at Aldine Street over marked Interstate Highway
186.23 94; and

186.24 (5) Segment 5 from the intersection of Aldine Street and St. Anthony Avenue to Allianz
186.25 Field on a route to be determined that does not include railroad right-of-way.

186.26 (d) At a minimum, the developed plans must include:

186.27 (1) a project layout that provides a safe and consistent two-way, curb-separated trail
186.28 protected from motor vehicle traffic wherever possible;

186.29 (2) features of the existing Midtown Greenway that provide safety and wayfinding,
186.30 including but not limited to lighting, signage, and emergency call boxes;

187.1 (3) an analysis of which portions of the planned trails can be completed independently
187.2 of other portions. In completing this analysis, the Metropolitan Council may subdivide the
187.3 segments listed in paragraph (c) as needed;

187.4 (4) an analysis of what portions of the planned trails can be completed either without
187.5 using railroad right-of-way or on railroad right-of-way without significantly affecting current
187.6 rail operations;

187.7 (5) a recommendation for a reasonable easement or shared use agreement for the Short
187.8 Line Bridge between the railroad and Hennepin County that maintains active rail tracks on
187.9 the upstream side of the bridge while accommodating a bicycle and pedestrian trail on the
187.10 downstream side of the bridge; and

187.11 (6) estimates for construction costs broken out by segments and features.

187.12 (e) The council must allocate revenues collected under Minnesota Statutes, section
187.13 297A.9925, for the purpose of the planning activities in paragraphs (a) to (d).

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

187.15 Sec. 63. **RETROACTIVE DRIVER'S LICENSE REINSTATEMENT.**

187.16 (a) The commissioner of public safety must make an individual's driver's license eligible
187.17 for reinstatement if the license is solely suspended pursuant to:

187.18 (1) Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 169.92, subdivision 4, if the person did not appear
187.19 in court (i) in compliance with the terms of a citation for a petty misdemeanor, or (ii) for a
187.20 violation of Minnesota Statutes, section 171.24, subdivision 1;

187.21 (2) Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.16, subdivision 2, if the person was convicted
187.22 only under Minnesota Statutes, section 171.24, subdivision 1 or 2;

187.23 (3) Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.16, subdivision 3; or

187.24 (4) any combination of clauses (1), (2), and (3).

187.25 (b) By December 1, 2023, the commissioner must provide written notice to an individual
187.26 whose license has been made eligible for reinstatement under paragraph (a), addressed to
187.27 the licensee at the licensee's last known address.

187.28 (c) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, before the license is reinstated, an individual
187.29 whose driver's license is eligible for reinstatement under paragraph (a) must pay a single
187.30 reinstatement fee of \$20.

188.1 (d) The following applies for an individual who is eligible for reinstatement under
188.2 paragraph (a) and whose license was suspended, revoked, or canceled under any other
188.3 provision in Minnesota Statutes:

188.4 (1) the suspension, revocation, or cancellation under any other provision in Minnesota
188.5 Statutes remains in effect;

188.6 (2) subject to clause (1), the individual may become eligible for reinstatement under
188.7 paragraph (a); and

188.8 (3) the commissioner is not required to send the notice described in paragraph (b).

188.9 (e) Paragraph (a) applies notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes 2020, sections 169.92,
188.10 subdivision 4; and 171.16, subdivision 2 or 3; or any other law to the contrary.

188.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

188.12 **Sec. 64. TRAFFIC SAFETY VIOLATIONS DISPOSITION ANALYSIS.**

188.13 (a) The commissioner of public safety must enter into an agreement with the Center for
188.14 Transportation Studies at the University of Minnesota to conduct an evaluation of the
188.15 disposition in recent years of citations for speeding, impairment, distraction, and seatbelt
188.16 violations. The evaluation under the agreement must include but is not limited to analysis
188.17 of:

188.18 (1) rates of citations issued compared to rates of citations contested in court and the
188.19 outcomes of the cases;

188.20 (2) amounts of fines imposed compared to counts and amounts of fine payments; and

188.21 (3) any related changes in patterns of traffic enforcement from 2017 to 2022.

188.22 (b) The agreement must require the Center for Transportation Studies to submit an
188.23 interim progress report by July 1, 2024, and a final report by July 1, 2025, to the
188.24 commissioner and the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees
188.25 with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance and public safety.

188.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

188.27 **Sec. 65. VEHICLE REGISTRATION RATES STUDY REQUIRED.**

188.28 By January 1, 2024, the commissioners of management and budget and public safety,
188.29 in consultation with the State Patrol, must report to the chairs and ranking minority members
188.30 of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation finance and policy. The

189.1 report must examine current and historical vehicle registration rates and provide a projection
189.2 about anticipated vehicle registration revenues for the next ten years. The report must analyze
189.3 the factors behind declining vehicle registration and vehicle registration renewal rates,
189.4 including (1) where Minnesota's vehicle registration fees rank amongst other states and (2)
189.5 enforcement of Minnesota Statutes, section 168.36, by local law enforcement.

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

189.7 Sec. 66. **REVISOR INSTRUCTION.**

189.8 The revisor of statutes shall recodify Minnesota Statutes, section 115E.042, subdivision
189.9 2, as Minnesota Statutes, section 219.055, subdivision 2a, and Minnesota Statutes, section
189.10 115E.042, subdivision 3, as Minnesota Statutes, section 219.055, subdivision 3a. The revisor
189.11 shall correct any cross-references made necessary by this recodification.

189.12 Sec. 67. **REPEALER.**

189.13 (a) Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 167.45; and 360.915, subdivision 5, are repealed.

189.14 (b) Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 168B.15; and 169.829, subdivision 2, are repealed.

189.15 (c) Minnesota Rules, parts 7411.0530; and 7411.0535, are repealed.

189.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Paragraph (b) is effective August 1, 2023. Paragraph (c) is effective
189.17 July 1, 2023.

167.45 OPERATION COSTS FOR CENTRAL OFFICE BUILDING, PAYMENT.

The cost of operation and maintenance of the central office building for the Department of Transportation, or so much thereof as is properly attributable to the Department of Transportation, must not be paid out of the trunk highway fund. An amount sufficient to pay these costs is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner for this purpose.

168.121 SPECIAL PLATES REMEMBERING VICTIMS OF IMPAIRED DRIVERS.

Subd. 5. **Fees credited.** Fees collected under this section must be credited to the vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund.

168.1282 "START SEEING MOTORCYCLES" SPECIAL PLATES.

Subd. 5. **Fees.** Fees collected under subdivision 1, clause (2), and subdivision 3 are credited to the vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund.

168.1294 LAW ENFORCEMENT MEMORIAL PLATES.

Subd. 5. **Fees.** Fees collected under subdivision 1, clauses (2) and (3), and subdivision 3 are credited to the vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund.

168.1299 MINNESOTA GOLF PLATES.

Subd. 4. **Fees.** Fees collected under subdivision 1, clause (2), and subdivision 3 are credited to the vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund.

168B.15 TOW TRUCK PERMIT.

The commissioner of transportation may issue permits to an applicant who pays a single \$300 annual fee to cover all tow trucks and towing vehicles owned by the applicant and meets any other conditions prescribed by the commissioner. The permit authorizes the tow truck or towing vehicle, when towing a disabled or damaged vehicle to a place of repair or to a place of safekeeping, to exceed the length and weight limitations of chapter 169.

169.829 WEIGHT LIMITS NOT APPLICABLE TO CERTAIN VEHICLES.

Subd. 2. **Tow truck.** Sections 169.823 to 169.828 do not apply to a tow truck or towing vehicle when towing a disabled or damaged vehicle, when the movement is urgent, and when the movement is for the purpose of removing the disabled vehicle from the roadway to a place of safekeeping or to a place of repair.

299A.705 DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES ACCOUNTS.

Subd. 2. **Driver services operating account.** (a) The driver services operating account is created in the special revenue fund, consisting of all money collected under chapter 171 and any other money donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account.

(b) Funds appropriated from the account must be used by the commissioner of public safety to administer the driver services specified in chapters 169A and 171, including the activities associated with producing and mailing drivers' licenses and identification cards and notices relating to issuance, renewal, or withdrawal of driving and identification card privileges for any fiscal year or years and for the testing and examination of drivers.

360.915 METEOROLOGICAL TOWERS.

Subd. 5. **Fee.** The owner of a stand-alone meteorological tower who provides notice under subdivision 4, paragraph (a), must pay a fee of \$50. A fee is not imposed for a notification provided under subdivision 4, paragraphs (b) and (c).

7411.0530 TELECONFERENCED CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION.

Teleconferenced classroom instruction for class A, B, C, or D motor vehicles or for a motorcycle endorsement may be used to link multiple classroom locations.

A. The broadcasting location must have a licensed or approved instructor present during classroom instruction.

B. Each location where students receive instruction must be in a classroom that complies with part 7411.0355.

C. If the receiving location has one or more students under the age of 18 receiving program instruction, the location must have a proctor, who is at least 21 years old, within the classroom for control and assistance.

D. Locations must be linked using both picture and sound so that instruction and the ability to interact with students is assured.

E. Identical curriculum materials must be available at all locations.

7411.0535 ONLINE CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION; ADULT ONLY.

Classroom instruction via the Internet may be provided by a program to any student who is at least 18 years old.

A. The course of study must provide a means for the student to measure performance outcomes.

B. There must be a pool of rotating quiz questions.

C. The course must have accountability features to ensure the age and identity of the student taking the course.

D. Technical designs must have features that measure the amount of time a student spends on each section of the course.

E. Customer support access must be made available through a toll-free telephone number.

F. The course must have a secure server and be backed up by a second unit.

G. The program must have preventives in place to protect against the access of private information.

H. The course must have the ability to update course content uniformly throughout the state.

I. The course must have a location in Minnesota where program and student records are accessible.