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H. F. No. 2887

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy
04/04/2023 Adoption of Report: Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Taxes
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Read for the Second Time

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 Department of Public Safety, and Metropolitan Council activities; modifying prior
1.5 appropriations; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds; modifying various
1.6 policy and finance provisions; establishing metropolitan region sales and use tax;
1.7 requiring Metropolitan Council to implement and enforce transit safety measures;
1.8 authorizing administrative citations; establishing criminal penalties; establishing
1.9 an advisory committee, a task force, and a working group; establishing pilot
1.10 programs; requiring a study; requiring reports; transferring money; amending
1.11 Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 13.69, subdivision 1; 43A.17, by adding a
1.12 subdivision; 151.37, subdivision 12; 161.088, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 5, as amended,
1.13 by adding subdivisions; 161.45, subdivisions 1, 2; 161.46, subdivision 2; 168.002,
1.14 by adding a subdivision; 168.013, subdivision 1a; 168.326; 168.327, subdivisions
1.15 1, 2, 3, by adding a subdivision; 168.33, subdivision 7; 168.345, subdivision 2;
1.16 168.54, subdivision 5; 169.09, subdivision 13, by adding a subdivision; 169.14,
1.17 by adding a subdivision; 169.345, subdivision 2; 169.475, subdivisions 2, 3; 171.01,
1.18 by adding a subdivision; 171.06, subdivisions 2, 3, as amended, 7, by adding a
1.19 subdivision; 171.061, subdivision 4; 171.0705, by adding a subdivision; 171.13,
1.20 subdivisions 1, 1a; 171.26; 174.01, by adding a subdivision; 174.03, subdivision
1.21 1c; 174.634; 219.015, subdivision 2; 219.1651; 221.0269, by adding a subdivision;
1.22 222.37, subdivision 1; 256.9752, by adding a subdivision; 270C.15; 297A.94;
1.23 297A.99, subdivision 1; 297A.993, by adding a subdivision; 297B.02, subdivision
1.24 1; 297B.09; 299A.01, by adding a subdivision; 299A.705, subdivision 1; 299D.03,
1.25 subdivision 5; 357.021, subdivisions 6, 7; 473.146, subdivision 1, by adding a
1.26 subdivision; 473.39, by adding a subdivision; 473.859, by adding a subdivision;
1.27 609.855, subdivisions 1, 3, 7, by adding a subdivision; Laws 2021, First Special
1.28 Session chapter 5, article 1, sections 2, subdivision 2; 4, subdivision 4; article 4,
1.29 section 143; Laws 2022, chapter 39, section 2; proposing coding for new law in
1.30 Minnesota Statutes, chapters 4; 160; 161; 168; 169; 171; 174; 297A; 473; proposing
1.31 coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 168E; repealing Minnesota
1.32 Statutes 2022, sections 168.121, subdivision 5; 168.1282, subdivision 5; 168.1294,
1.33 subdivision 5; 168.1299, subdivision 4; 168.345, subdivision 1; 299A.705,
1.34 subdivision 2; 360.915, subdivision 5.

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

2.2 **ARTICLE 1**

2.3 **TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS**

2.4 Section 1. **TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS.**

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

2.20 **APPROPRIATIONS**
 2.21 **Available for the Year**
 2.22 **Ending June 30**
 2.23 **2024 2025**

2.24 **Sec. 2. DEPARTMENT OF**
 2.25 **TRANSPORTATION**

2.26 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** \$ **4,269,404,000** \$ **3,703,213,000**

2.27 **Appropriations by Fund**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
2.28 <u>General</u>	<u>597,620,000</u>	<u>40,858,000</u>
2.29 <u>Airports</u>	<u>25,368,000</u>	<u>25,368,000</u>
2.30 <u>C.S.A.H.</u>	<u>915,461,000</u>	<u>1,007,701,000</u>
2.31 <u>M.S.A.S.</u>	<u>236,403,000</u>	<u>269,187,000</u>
2.32 <u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>2,494,552,000</u>	<u>2,360,099,000</u>

2.34 The appropriations in this section are to the
 2.35 commissioner of transportation.

3.1 The amounts that may be spent for each
 3.2 purpose are specified in the following
 3.3 subdivisions.

3.4 Subd. 2. **Multimodal Systems**

3.5 (a) **Aeronautics**

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

3.7	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
3.8		<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
3.9	<u>General</u>	<u>41,000,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
3.10	<u>Airports</u>	<u>18,598,000</u>	<u>18,598,000</u>

3.11 This appropriation is from the state airports
 3.12 fund and must be spent according to
 3.13 Minnesota Statutes, section 360.305,
 3.14 subdivision 4.

3.15 \$26,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 3.16 general fund for matches to federal aid and
 3.17 state investments related to airport
 3.18 infrastructure projects. This appropriation is
 3.19 available until June 30, 2027.

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

3.24 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
 3.25 16A.28, subdivision 6, this appropriation is
 3.26 available for five years after the year of the
 3.27 appropriation. If the appropriation for either
 3.28 year is insufficient, the appropriation for the
 3.29 other year is available for it.

3.30 If the commissioner of transportation
 3.31 determines that a balance remains in the state
 3.32 airports fund following the appropriations
 3.33 made in this article and that the appropriations

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

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

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
4.22 <u>General</u>	<u>8,707,000</u>	<u>1,741,000</u>
4.23 <u>Airports</u>	<u>6,690,000</u>	<u>6,690,000</u>

4.24 \$7,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 4.25 general fund to purchase two utility aircraft
 4.26 for the Department of Transportation.

4.27 **(3) Civil Air Patrol** 80,000 80,000

4.28 This appropriation is from the state airports
 4.29 fund for the Civil Air Patrol.

4.30 **(b) Transit and Active Transportation** 28,278,000 18,324,000

4.31 This appropriation is from the general fund.
 4.32 \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is for the
 4.33 active transportation program under Minnesota
 4.34 Statutes, section 174.38. This is a onetime

5.1 appropriation and is available until June 30,
 5.2 2027.

5.3 \$200,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$50,000 in
 5.4 fiscal year 2025 are for a grant to the city of
 5.5 Rochester to implement demand response
 5.6 transit service using electric transit vehicles.

5.7 The money is available for mobile software
 5.8 application development, vehicles and
 5.9 equipment, associated charging infrastructure,
 5.10 and capital and operating costs.

5.11 **(c) Transportation Management** 300,000 300,000

5.12 This appropriation is from the general fund
 5.13 for grants to transportation management
 5.14 organizations in the Department of
 5.15 Transportation metropolitan district for
 5.16 programming and service expansion to assist
 5.17 companies and commuters with carpool,
 5.18 vanpool, bicycle commuting, telework, and
 5.19 transit. The commissioner must not retain any
 5.20 portion of this appropriation.

5.21 **(d) Safe Routes to School** 1,500,000 500,000

5.22 This appropriation is from the general fund
 5.23 for the safe routes to school program under
 5.24 Minnesota Statutes, section 174.40.

5.25 If the appropriation for either year is
 5.26 insufficient, the appropriation for the other
 5.27 year is available for it.

5.28 **(e) Passenger Rail** 197,121,000 4,226,000

5.29 This appropriation is from the general fund
 5.30 for passenger rail activities under Minnesota
 5.31 Statutes, sections 174.632 to 174.636.

5.32 \$194,300,000 in fiscal year 2024 is for capital
 5.33 improvements and betterments for the

6.1 Minneapolis-Duluth Northern Lights Express
 6.2 intercity passenger rail project, including
 6.3 preliminary engineering, design, engineering,
 6.4 environmental analysis and mitigation,
 6.5 acquisition of land and right-of-way,
 6.6 equipment and rolling stock, and construction.
 6.7 From this appropriation, the amount necessary
 6.8 is for: (1) Coon Rapids station improvements
 6.9 to establish a joint station that provides for
 6.10 Amtrak train service on the Empire Builder
 6.11 line between Chicago and Seattle; and (2)
 6.12 acquisition of equipment and rolling stock for
 6.13 purposes of participation in the Midwest fleet
 6.14 pool to provide for service on Northern Lights
 6.15 Express and expanded Amtrak train service
 6.16 between Minneapolis and St. Paul and
 6.17 Chicago. This appropriation is available until
 6.18 June 30, 2028.
 6.19 \$488,000 in each year is for staff and operating
 6.20 costs related to intercity passenger rail
 6.21 planning and project management.
 6.22 \$1,833,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$3,238,000
 6.23 in fiscal year 2025 are for a match to federal
 6.24 aid for capital and operating costs for
 6.25 expanded Amtrak train service between
 6.26 Minneapolis and St. Paul and Chicago.
 6.27 The base from the general fund is \$5,742,000
 6.28 in each of fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

6.29 (f) Freight 13,963,000 9,353,000

6.30	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
6.31	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
6.32	<u>General</u>	<u>2,687,000</u>
6.33	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>6,666,000</u>
	<u>7,596,000</u>	

7.1 \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 7.2 general fund for matching federal aid grants
 7.3 for improvements, engineering, and
 7.4 administrative costs for the Stone Arch Bridge
 7.5 in Minneapolis. This appropriation is available
 7.6 until June 30, 2027.

7.7 \$1,000,000 in each year is from the general
 7.8 fund for staff, operating costs, and
 7.9 maintenance related to weight and safety
 7.10 enforcement systems.

7.11 **Subd. 3. State Roads**

7.12 **(a) Operations and Maintenance** 415,052,000 425,393,000

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
<u>General</u>	<u>2,750,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>412,302,000</u>	<u>425,393,000</u>

7.17 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 7.18 general fund for the highways for habitat
 7.19 program under Minnesota Statutes, section
 7.20 160.2325.

7.21 \$330,000 in each year is for living snow fence
 7.22 implementation and maintenance activities.

7.23 \$1,750,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 7.24 general fund for safe road zones under
 7.25 Minnesota Statutes, section 169.065. Of this
 7.26 amount, \$750,000 is for development and
 7.27 delivery of public awareness and education
 7.28 campaigns about safe road zones.

7.29 The base is \$425,423,000 in each of fiscal
 7.30 years 2026 and 2027.

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

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

8.1 The commissioner may use any balance
 8.2 remaining in this appropriation for program
 8.3 delivery under clause (2).

8.4 \$130,000 in each year is available for
 8.5 administrative costs of the targeted group
 8.6 business program.

8.7 \$266,000 in each year is available for grants
 8.8 to metropolitan planning organizations outside
 8.9 the seven-county metropolitan area.

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

8.25 **(2) Program Delivery** 273,008,000 273,985,000

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
8.26		
8.27		
8.28 <u>General</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>
8.29 <u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>271,008,000</u>	<u>271,985,000</u>

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

8.33 \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is for roadway
 8.34 design and related improvements that reduce

9.1 speeds and eliminate intersection interactions
 9.2 on rural high-risk roadways. The
 9.3 commissioner must identify roadways based
 9.4 on crash information and in consultation with
 9.5 the Advisory Council on Traffic Safety under
 9.6 Minnesota Statutes, section 4.076, and local
 9.7 traffic safety partners.

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 \$1,000,000 in each year is available for
 9.14 management of contaminated and regulated
 9.15 material on property owned by the Department
 9.16 of Transportation, including mitigation of
 9.17 property conveyances, facility acquisition or
 9.18 expansion, chemical release at maintenance
 9.19 facilities, and spills on the trunk highway
 9.20 system where there is no known responsible
 9.21 party. If the appropriation for either year is
 9.22 insufficient, the appropriation for the other
 9.23 year is available for it.

9.24 **(c) State Road Construction** 1,383,823,000 1,184,582,000

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
<u>General</u>	<u>27,300,000</u>	<u>300,000</u>
<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>1,356,523,000</u>	<u>1,184,282,000</u>

9.29 This appropriation is for the actual
 9.30 construction, reconstruction, and improvement
 9.31 of trunk highways, including design-build
 9.32 contracts, internal department costs associated
 9.33 with delivering the construction program,
 9.34 consultant usage to support these activities,
 9.35 and the cost of actual payments to landowners

10.1 for lands acquired for highway rights-of-way,
10.2 payment to lessees, interest subsidies, and
10.3 relocation expenses.

10.4 This appropriation includes federal highway
10.5 aid. The commissioner of transportation must
10.6 notify the chairs, ranking minority members,
10.7 and staff of the legislative committees with
10.8 jurisdiction over transportation finance of any
10.9 significant events that cause the estimates of
10.10 federal aid to change.

10.11 \$25,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
10.12 general fund for grade separations on trunk
10.13 highways classified as nonfreeway principal
10.14 arterials. The funds are available for projects
10.15 or project phases that: (1) contain at least four
10.16 locations identified as high-priority
10.17 intersections in an intersection conversion
10.18 study completed in the last ten years; (2) are
10.19 on a trunk highway that proceeds through at
10.20 least one county within and one outside of the
10.21 Department of Transportation metropolitan
10.22 district; and (3) has funding committed from
10.23 nonstate sources. This appropriation is
10.24 available until June 30, 2030.

10.25 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
10.26 general fund for living snow fence
10.27 implementation, including: acquiring and
10.28 planting trees, shrubs, native grasses, and
10.29 wildflowers that are climate adaptive to
10.30 Minnesota; improvements; contracts;
10.31 easements; rental agreements; and program
10.32 delivery.

10.33 \$300,000 in each year is from the general fund
10.34 for additions and modifications to work zone
10.35 design or layout to reduce vehicle speeds in a

11.1 work zone following a determination by the
 11.2 commissioner that the initial work zone design
 11.3 or layout insufficiently provides for reduced
 11.4 vehicle speeds. This is a onetime
 11.5 appropriation.

11.6 The commissioner may expend up to one-half
 11.7 of one percent of the federal appropriations
 11.8 under this paragraph as grants to opportunity
 11.9 industrialization centers and other nonprofit
 11.10 job training centers for job training programs
 11.11 related to highway construction.

11.12 The commissioner may transfer up to
 11.13 \$15,000,000 in each year to the transportation
 11.14 revolving loan fund.

11.15 The commissioner may receive money
 11.16 covering other shares of the cost of partnership
 11.17 projects. These receipts are appropriated to
 11.18 the commissioner for these projects.

11.19 The base from the general fund is \$0 in each
 11.20 of fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

11.21 <u>(d) Corridors of Commerce</u>	<u>25,000,000</u>	<u>25,000,000</u>
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11.22 This appropriation is for the corridors of
 11.23 commerce program under Minnesota Statutes,
 11.24 section 161.088. The commissioner may use
 11.25 up to 17 percent of the amount in each year
 11.26 for program delivery.

11.27 <u>(e) Highway Debt Service</u>	<u>266,661,000</u>	<u>283,662,000</u>
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11.28 \$263,661,000 in fiscal year 2024 and
 11.29 \$280,662,000 in fiscal year 2025 are for
 11.30 transfer to the state bond fund. If this
 11.31 appropriation is insufficient to make all
 11.32 transfers required in the year for which it is
 11.33 made, the commissioner of management and

12.1 budget must transfer the deficiency amount
 12.2 as provided under Minnesota Statutes, section
 12.3 16A.641, and notify the chairs, ranking
 12.4 minority members, and staff of the legislative
 12.5 committees with jurisdiction over
 12.6 transportation finance and the chairs of the
 12.7 senate Finance Committee and the house of
 12.8 representatives Ways and Means Committee
 12.9 of the amount of the deficiency. Any excess
 12.10 appropriation cancels to the trunk highway
 12.11 fund.

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

12.13	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
12.14		<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
12.15	<u>General</u>	<u>2,003,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>
12.16	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>6,650,000</u>	<u>6,904,000</u>

12.17 \$3,000 in each year is from the general fund
 12.18 to equip and operate the Roosevelt signal
 12.19 tower for Lake of the Woods weather
 12.20 broadcasting.

12.21 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 12.22 general fund for Allied Radio Matrix for
 12.23 Emergency Response (ARMER) tower
 12.24 building improvements and replacement.

12.25 **Subd. 4. Local Roads**

12.26 **(a) County State-Aid Highways** 915,410,000 988,396,000

12.27 This appropriation is from the county state-aid
 12.28 highway fund under Minnesota Statutes,
 12.29 sections 161.081 and 297A.815, subdivision
 12.30 3, and Minnesota Statutes, chapter 162, and
 12.31 is available until June 30, 2033.

12.32 If the commissioner of transportation
 12.33 determines that a balance remains in the
 12.34 county state-aid highway fund following the

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

13.20	<u>(b) Municipal State-Aid Streets</u>	<u>236,403,000</u>	<u>269,187,000</u>
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13.21 This appropriation is from the municipal
 13.22 state-aid street fund under Minnesota Statutes,
 13.23 chapter 162, and is available until June 30,
 13.24 2033.

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

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

14.13 **(c) Other Local Roads**

14.14 **(1) Town Roads** 51,000 19,305,000

14.15 This appropriation is from the town road
 14.16 account in the county state-aid highway fund
 14.17 for town roads for distribution in the manner
 14.18 provided under Minnesota Statutes, section
 14.19 162.081.

14.20 The base is \$21,205,000 in fiscal year 2026
 14.21 and \$21,338,000 in fiscal year 2027.

14.22 **(2) Small Cities Assistance** 38,532,000 38,532,000

14.23 This appropriation is from the small cities
 14.24 assistance account under Minnesota Statutes,
 14.25 section 162.145, for the small cities assistance
 14.26 program under that section.

14.27 The base is \$42,324,000 in fiscal year 2026
 14.28 and \$42,612,000 in fiscal year 2027.

14.29 **(3) Rice Street Capitol Area Redesign** 25,000,000 -0-

14.30 This appropriation is from the general fund
 14.31 for Rice Street Capitol Area redesign under
 14.32 section 17. This appropriation is available until
 14.33 June 30, 2032.

15.1	<u>(4) St. Louis County Projects</u>	<u>9,000,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
15.2	<u>This appropriation is from the general fund</u>		
15.3	<u>for one or more grants to St. Louis County as</u>		
15.4	<u>follows:</u>		
15.5	<u>(i) \$3,000,000 for predesign, design,</u>		
15.6	<u>engineering, environmental analysis and</u>		
15.7	<u>mitigation, land acquisition, and reconstruction</u>		
15.8	<u>of St. Louis County State-Aid Highway 100</u>		
15.9	<u>(3rd Avenue North and Main Street), from</u>		
15.10	<u>marked Trunk Highway 135 to St. Louis</u>		
15.11	<u>County State-Aid Highway 110 in the city of</u>		
15.12	<u>Aurora; and</u>		
15.13	<u>(ii) \$6,000,000 for predesign, design,</u>		
15.14	<u>engineering, environmental analysis and</u>		
15.15	<u>mitigation, land acquisition, construction, and</u>		
15.16	<u>reconstruction of Progress Parkway, to provide</u>		
15.17	<u>for intersection improvements and road</u>		
15.18	<u>realignment and extension from marked U.S.</u>		
15.19	<u>Highway 53 and St. Louis County State-Aid</u>		
15.20	<u>Highway 142 to marked Trunk Highway 37</u>		
15.21	<u>and Station 44 Road in the city of Eveleth.</u>		
15.22	<u>(5) Local Transportation Disaster Support</u>	<u>4,300,000</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>
15.23	<u>This appropriation is from the general fund to</u>		
15.24	<u>provide cost-share for federal assistance from</u>		
15.25	<u>the Federal Highway Administration for the</u>		
15.26	<u>emergency relief program under United States</u>		
15.27	<u>Code, title 23, section 125. This appropriation</u>		
15.28	<u>is available until June 30, 2027.</u>		
15.29	<u>Subd. 5. Agency Management</u>		
15.30	<u>(a) Agency Services</u>	<u>302,876,000</u>	<u>90,538,000</u>
15.31	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
15.32		<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
15.33	<u>General</u>	<u>226,849,000</u>	<u>9,461,000</u>
15.34	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>76,027,000</u>	<u>81,077,000</u>

16.1 \$2,500,000 in each year is from the general
 16.2 fund for small community partnerships under
 16.3 section 15. This is a onetime appropriation
 16.4 and is available until June 30, 2026.

16.5 \$1,000,000 in each year is from the general
 16.6 fund for federal transportation grants technical
 16.7 assistance under section 14. This is a onetime
 16.8 appropriation and is available until June 30,
 16.9 2026.

16.10 \$214,400,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 16.11 general fund for Infrastructure Investment and
 16.12 Jobs Act (IIJA) discretionary matches under
 16.13 section 16. This is a onetime appropriation
 16.14 and is available until June 30, 2027.

16.15 \$1,000,000 in each year is from the general
 16.16 fund for Tribal-state relations and workforce
 16.17 training programs.

16.18 \$7,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$4,000,000
 16.19 in fiscal year 2025 are from the general fund
 16.20 for information technology projects and
 16.21 implementation.

16.22 The base from the general fund is \$5,961,000
 16.23 in each of fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

16.24	<u>(b) Electric Vehicle Infrastructure</u>	<u>13,861,000</u>	<u>261,000</u>
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16.25 This appropriation is from the general fund
 16.26 for the electric vehicle infrastructure program
 16.27 under Minnesota Statutes, section 174.47.

16.28 \$13,600,000 in fiscal year 2024 is available
 16.29 until June 30, 2027.

16.30	<u>(c) Buildings</u>	<u>40,790,000</u>	<u>41,120,000</u>
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16.31 Appropriations by Fund

16.32		<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	
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17.1	<u>General</u>	<u>55,000</u>	<u>55,000</u>	
17.2	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>40,735,000</u>	<u>41,065,000</u>	

17.3 Any money appropriated to the commissioner
 17.4 of transportation for building construction for
 17.5 any fiscal year before fiscal year 2024 is
 17.6 available to the commissioner during the
 17.7 biennium to the extent that the commissioner
 17.8 spends the money on the building construction
 17.9 projects for which the money was originally
 17.10 encumbered during the fiscal year for which
 17.11 it was appropriated. If the appropriation for
 17.12 either year is insufficient, the appropriation
 17.13 for the other year is available for it.

17.14	<u>(d) Tort Claims</u>	<u>600,000</u>	<u>600,000</u>	
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17.15 If the appropriation for either year is
 17.16 insufficient, the appropriation for the other
 17.17 year is available for it.

17.18 **Subd. 6. Transfers; General Authority**

17.19 (a) With the approval of the commissioner of
 17.20 management and budget, the commissioner
 17.21 of transportation may transfer unencumbered
 17.22 balances among the appropriations from the
 17.23 trunk highway fund and the state airports fund
 17.24 made in this section. Transfers under this
 17.25 paragraph must not be made: (1) between
 17.26 funds; (2) from the appropriations for state
 17.27 road construction or debt service; or (3) from
 17.28 the appropriations for operations and
 17.29 maintenance or program delivery, except for
 17.30 a transfer to state road construction or debt
 17.31 service.

17.32 (b) The commissioner of transportation must
 17.33 immediately report transfers under paragraph
 17.34 (a) to the chairs, ranking minority members,

18.1 and staff of the legislative committees with
18.2 jurisdiction over transportation finance. The
18.3 authority for the commissioner of
18.4 transportation to make transfers under
18.5 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.285, is
18.6 superseded by the authority and requirements
18.7 under this subdivision.

18.8 **Subd. 7. Transfers; Flexible Highway Account**

18.9 The commissioner of transportation must
18.10 transfer from the flexible highway account in
18.11 the county state-aid highway fund:

18.12 (1) \$1,850,000 in fiscal year 2024 to the trunk
18.13 highway fund;

18.14 (2) \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 to the
18.15 municipal turnback account in the municipal
18.16 state-aid street fund; and

18.17 (3) the remainder in each year to the county
18.18 turnback account in the county state-aid
18.19 highway fund.

18.20 The money transferred under this subdivision
18.21 is for highway turnback purposes as provided
18.22 under Minnesota Statutes, section 161.081,
18.23 subdivision 3.

18.24 **Subd. 8. Contingent Appropriations**

18.25 The commissioner of transportation, with the
18.26 approval of the governor and the written
18.27 approval of at least five members of a group
18.28 consisting of the members of the Legislative
18.29 Advisory Commission under Minnesota
18.30 Statutes, section 3.30, and the ranking minority
18.31 members of the legislative committees with
18.32 jurisdiction over transportation finance, may
18.33 transfer all or part of the unappropriated

19.1 balance in the trunk highway fund to an
 19.2 appropriation: (1) for trunk highway design,
 19.3 construction, or inspection in order to take
 19.4 advantage of an unanticipated receipt of
 19.5 income to the trunk highway fund or to take
 19.6 advantage of federal advanced construction
 19.7 funding; (2) for trunk highway maintenance
 19.8 in order to meet an emergency; or (3) to pay
 19.9 tort or environmental claims. Nothing in this
 19.10 subdivision authorizes the commissioner to
 19.11 increase the use of federal advanced
 19.12 construction funding beyond amounts
 19.13 specifically authorized. Any transfer as a result
 19.14 of the use of federal advanced construction
 19.15 funding must include an analysis of the effects
 19.16 on the long-term trunk highway fund balance.
 19.17 The amount transferred is appropriated for the
 19.18 purpose of the account to which it is
 19.19 transferred.

19.20 **Sec. 3. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL**

19.21 <u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>89,630,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>88,630,000</u>
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19.22 The appropriations in this section are from the
 19.23 general fund to the Metropolitan Council.

19.24 The amounts that may be spent for each
 19.25 purpose are specified in the following
 19.26 subdivisions.

19.27 <u>Subd. 2. Transit System Operations</u>		<u>32,654,000</u>		<u>32,654,000</u>
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19.28 This appropriation is for transit system
 19.29 operations under Minnesota Statutes, sections
 19.30 473.371 to 473.449.

19.31 <u>Subd. 3. Metro Mobility</u>		<u>55,976,000</u>		<u>55,976,000</u>
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19.32 This appropriation is for Metro Mobility under
 19.33 Minnesota Statutes, section 473.386.

20.1 **Subd. 4. Land Use and Transportation** 1,000,000 -0-

20.2 This appropriation is for the metropolitan land
 20.3 use and transportation policy study under
 20.4 article 4, section 62.

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

20.6 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** **\$ 293,821,000 \$ 288,400,000**

		<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
		<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
20.7			
20.8			
20.9	<u>General</u>	<u>39,200,000</u>	<u>40,309,000</u>
20.10	<u>H.U.T.D.</u>	<u>1,336,000</u>	<u>1,378,000</u>
20.11	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>74,330,000</u>	<u>76,117,000</u>
20.12	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>178,955,000</u>	<u>170,596,000</u>

20.13 The appropriations in this section are to the
 20.14 commissioner of public safety.

20.15 The amounts that may be spent for each
 20.16 purpose are specified in the following
 20.17 subdivisions. The commissioner must spend
 20.18 appropriations from the trunk highway fund
 20.19 in subdivision 3 only for State Patrol purposes.

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

20.21 **(a) Office of Communications** 896,000 1,148,000

20.22 This appropriation is from the general fund.
 20.23 \$220,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$440,000 in
 20.24 fiscal year 2025 are for staff and operating
 20.25 costs related to departmental communications
 20.26 activities.

20.27 **(b) Public Safety Support** 10,326,000 11,773,000

		<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
		<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
20.28			
20.29			
20.30	<u>General</u>	<u>5,399,000</u>	<u>6,564,000</u>
20.31	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>4,927,000</u>	<u>5,209,000</u>

21.1	<u>\$1,482,000 in each year is from the general</u>		
21.2	<u>fund for staff and operating costs related to</u>		
21.3	<u>public engagement activities.</u>		
21.4	<u>\$1,302,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$2,694,000</u>		
21.5	<u>in fiscal year 2025 are from the general fund</u>		
21.6	<u>for staff and operating costs related to</u>		
21.7	<u>departmental administrative support activities.</u>		
21.8	<u>\$350,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the</u>		
21.9	<u>general fund for use of a consultant to provide</u>		
21.10	<u>for assessment and predesign related to State</u>		
21.11	<u>Patrol facilities.</u>		
21.12	<u>(c) Public Safety Officer Survivor Benefits</u>	<u>640,000</u>	<u>640,000</u>
21.13	<u>This appropriation is from the general fund</u>		
21.14	<u>for payment of public safety officer survivor</u>		
21.15	<u>benefits under Minnesota Statutes, section</u>		
21.16	<u>299A.44. If the appropriation for either year</u>		
21.17	<u>is insufficient, the appropriation for the other</u>		
21.18	<u>year is available for it.</u>		
21.19	<u>(d) Public Safety Officer Reimbursements</u>	<u>1,367,000</u>	<u>1,367,000</u>
21.20	<u>This appropriation is from the general fund</u>		
21.21	<u>for transfer to the public safety officer's benefit</u>		
21.22	<u>account. This appropriation is available for</u>		
21.23	<u>reimbursements under Minnesota Statutes,</u>		
21.24	<u>section 299A.465.</u>		
21.25	<u>(e) Soft Body Armor Reimbursements</u>	<u>745,000</u>	<u>745,000</u>
21.26	<u>This appropriation is from the general fund</u>		
21.27	<u>for soft body armor reimbursements under</u>		
21.28	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.38.</u>		
21.29	<u>(f) Technology and Support Services</u>	<u>6,712,000</u>	<u>6,783,000</u>
21.30	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
21.31		<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
21.32	<u>General</u>	<u>1,645,000</u>	<u>1,684,000</u>
21.33	<u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>5,067,000</u>	<u>5,099,000</u>

22.1 Subd. 3. State Patrol

22.2 (a) Patrolling Highways 151,394,000 141,731,000

22.3 Appropriations by Fund

22.4	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
22.5 <u>General</u>	<u>648,000</u>	<u>389,000</u>
22.6 <u>H.U.T.D.</u>	<u>92,000</u>	<u>92,000</u>
22.7 <u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>150,654,000</u>	<u>141,250,000</u>

22.8 \$14,500,000 in fiscal year 2024 is to purchase
 22.9 and equip a helicopter for the State Patrol.

22.10 \$1,700,000 in each year is for staff and
 22.11 equipment costs of pilots for the State Patrol.

22.12 \$611,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$352,000 in
 22.13 fiscal year 2025 are from the general fund for
 22.14 activities in support of State Patrol
 22.15 accreditation by the Commission on
 22.16 Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies.

22.17 (b) Commercial Vehicle Enforcement 17,746,000 18,423,000

22.18 \$5,248,000 in each year is for staff and
 22.19 operating costs related to commercial motor
 22.20 vehicle enforcement.

22.21 (c) Capitol Security 18,666,000 19,231,000

22.22 This appropriation is from the general fund.

22.23 The commissioner must not:

22.24 (1) spend any money from the trunk highway
 22.25 fund for capitol security; or

22.26 (2) permanently transfer any state trooper from
 22.27 the patrolling highways activity to capitol
 22.28 security.

22.29 The commissioner must not transfer any
 22.30 money appropriated to the commissioner under
 22.31 this section:

22.32 (1) to capitol security; or

23.1	<u>(2) from capitol security.</u>		
23.2	<u>(d) Vehicle Crimes Unit</u>	<u>1,244,000</u>	<u>1,286,000</u>
23.3	<u>This appropriation is from the highway user</u>		
23.4	<u>tax distribution fund to investigate:</u>		
23.5	<u>(1) registration tax and motor vehicle sales tax</u>		
23.6	<u>liabilities from individuals and businesses that</u>		
23.7	<u>currently do not pay all taxes owed; and</u>		
23.8	<u>(2) illegal or improper activity related to the</u>		
23.9	<u>sale, transfer, titling, and registration of motor</u>		
23.10	<u>vehicles.</u>		
23.11	<u>Subd. 4. Driver and Vehicle Services</u>		
23.12	<u>(a) Driver Services</u>	<u>41,952,000</u>	<u>43,225,000</u>
23.13	<u>This appropriation is from the driver and</u>		
23.14	<u>vehicle services account under Minnesota</u>		
23.15	<u>Statutes, section 299A.705.</u>		
23.16	<u>\$201,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$192,000 in</u>		
23.17	<u>fiscal year 2025 are for full-service provider</u>		
23.18	<u>monitoring and auditing activities.</u>		
23.19	<u>If legislation is enacted in the 2023 regular</u>		
23.20	<u>legislative session that establishes a watercraft</u>		
23.21	<u>operator's permit indicator on drivers' licenses</u>		
23.22	<u>and identification cards, \$59,000 in fiscal year</u>		
23.23	<u>2024 is available for the costs of</u>		
23.24	<u>implementation. Otherwise, this amount</u>		
23.25	<u>transfers to the driver and vehicle services</u>		
23.26	<u>account.</u>		
23.27	<u>\$262,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$81,000 in</u>		
23.28	<u>fiscal year 2025 is for collection of race and</u>		
23.29	<u>ethnicity information for holders of drivers'</u>		
23.30	<u>licenses and identification cards.</u>		
23.31	<u>\$2,598,000 in each year is to maintain driver's</u>		
23.32	<u>license examination stations.</u>		
23.33	<u>(b) Vehicle Services</u>	<u>30,935,000</u>	<u>31,449,000</u>

24.1 This appropriation is from the driver and
 24.2 vehicle services account under Minnesota
 24.3 Statutes, section 299A.705.
 24.4 \$3,000,000 in each year is for payments to
 24.5 deputy registrars, including a deputy registrar
 24.6 who is a full-service provider as defined in
 24.7 Minnesota Statutes, section 168.002,
 24.8 subdivision 12a. The commissioner must make
 24.9 quarterly payments to each deputy registrar
 24.10 that was in operation during the previous
 24.11 quarter based proportionally on the total
 24.12 number of transactions completed by each
 24.13 deputy registrar. The first quarterly
 24.14 distribution must be made on or before July
 24.15 15, 2023. This is a onetime appropriation, and
 24.16 the amount in fiscal year 2025 is available
 24.17 until August 31, 2025.

24.18 \$1,600,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$1,300,000
 24.19 in fiscal year 2025 are for staff and operating
 24.20 costs related to additional vehicle inspection
 24.21 sites.

24.22 The base is \$28,449,000 in each of fiscal years
 24.23 2026 and 2027.

24.24 <u>Subd. 5. Traffic Safety</u>	<u>9,195,000</u>	<u>8,596,000</u>
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24.25	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
24.26	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
24.27 <u>General</u>	<u>8,634,000</u>	<u>7,981,000</u>
24.28 <u>Trunk Highway</u>	<u>561,000</u>	<u>615,000</u>

24.29 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
 24.30 general fund for grants to local units of
 24.31 government to perform additional traffic safety
 24.32 enforcement activities in safe road zones under
 24.33 Minnesota Statutes, section 169.065. In
 24.34 allocating funds, the commissioner must

- 25.1 account for other sources of funding for
25.2 increased traffic enforcement.
- 25.3 \$1,000,000 in each year is from the general
25.4 fund for grants to local units of government
25.5 to enhance traffic safety enforcement activities
25.6 and is available for training, equipment,
25.7 overtime, and related costs for peace officers
25.8 to perform duties that are specifically related
25.9 to traffic management and traffic safety. This
25.10 is a onetime appropriation.
- 25.11 \$2,000,000 in each year is from the general
25.12 fund for grants to law enforcement agencies
25.13 to undertake targeted speed reduction efforts
25.14 on rural high-risk roadways identified by the
25.15 commissioner based on crash information and
25.16 consultation with the Advisory Council on
25.17 Traffic Safety under Minnesota Statutes,
25.18 section 4.076, and local traffic safety partners.
25.19 This is a onetime appropriation.
- 25.20 \$175,000 in each year is from the general fund
25.21 for grants to local units of government for safe
25.22 ride programs that provide safe transportation
25.23 options for patrons of hospitality and
25.24 entertainment businesses within a community.
25.25 This is a onetime appropriation.
- 25.26 \$500,000 in fiscal year 2024 is from the
25.27 general fund for the traffic safety violations
25.28 disposition analysis under section 18.
- 25.29 \$2,500,000 in each year is from the general
25.30 fund for operations and traffic safety projects
25.31 and activities of the Advisory Council on
25.32 Traffic Safety under Minnesota Statutes,
25.33 section 4.076.

26.1 \$98,000 in each year is from the general fund
 26.2 for collection of race and ethnicity information
 26.3 for holders of drivers' licenses and
 26.4 identification cards and statewide traffic safety
 26.5 equity program activities.

26.6 \$813,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$1,625,000
 26.7 in fiscal year 2025 are from the general fund
 26.8 for staff and operating costs related to a Traffic
 26.9 Safety Data Analytics Center.

26.10 The base from the general fund is \$4,806,000
 26.11 in each of fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

26.12 **Subd. 6. Pipeline Safety** 2,003,000 2,003,000

26.13 Appropriations by Fund

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
26.14 <u>General</u>	<u>560,000</u>	<u>560,000</u>
26.15 <u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>1,443,000</u>	<u>1,443,000</u>

26.17 This appropriation is from the pipeline safety
 26.18 account in the special revenue fund under
 26.19 Minnesota Statutes, section 299J.18.

26.20 \$560,000 in each year is from the general fund
 26.21 for staff and operating costs related to
 26.22 oversight of the excavation notice system
 26.23 under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216D,
 26.24 including education, investigation, and
 26.25 enforcement activities.

26.26 **Sec. 5. LEGISLATIVE COORDINATING**
 26.27 **COMMISSION** \$ 225,000 \$ -0-

26.28 This appropriation is from the general fund to
 26.29 the Legislative Coordinating Commission for
 26.30 costs of the Metropolitan Governance Task
 26.31 Force under article 4, section 61.

26.32 **Sec. 6. MINNESOTA MANAGEMENT AND**
 26.33 **BUDGET**

26.34 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** \$ 608,000 \$ 608,000

27.1 The appropriations in this section are from the
 27.2 general fund to the commissioner of
 27.3 management and budget.

27.4 The amounts that may be spent for each
 27.5 purpose are specified in the following
 27.6 subdivisions.

27.7 **Subd. 2. Collective Bargaining** 38,000 38,000

27.8 This appropriation is for arbitration costs
 27.9 related to Minnesota Statutes, section 43A.17,
 27.10 subdivision 13.

27.11 **Subd. 3. Federal Funds Coordinator** 570,000 570,000

27.12 (a) This appropriation is for a coordinator and
 27.13 support staff to provide for maximization of
 27.14 federal formula and discretionary grant funds
 27.15 to recipients in the state, including but not
 27.16 limited to funds under: (1) the Infrastructure
 27.17 Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), Public Law
 27.18 117-58; (2) the Inflation Reduction Act of
 27.19 2022, Public Law 117-169; (3) the CHIPS and
 27.20 Science Act of 2022, Public Law 117-167;
 27.21 and (4) subsequent federal appropriations acts
 27.22 associated with a spending authorization or
 27.23 appropriation under clauses (1) to (3).

27.24 (b) The duties of the federal coordinator
 27.25 include but are not limited to:

27.26 (1) serving as the state agency lead on
 27.27 activities related to federal infrastructure
 27.28 funds;

27.29 (2) coordinating on federal grants with the
 27.30 governor, legislature, state agencies, federally
 27.31 recognized Tribal governments, political
 27.32 subdivisions, and private entities; and

28.1 (3) developing methods to maximize the
28.2 amount and effectiveness of federal grants
28.3 provided to recipients in the state.

28.4 **Subd. 4. Federal Funds Coordinator; Fiscal Year**
28.5 **2023**

28.6 \$70,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated
28.7 from the general fund to the commissioner of
28.8 management and budget for the purposes
28.9 specified in subdivision 3. This amount is
28.10 available until June 30, 2024.

28.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Subdivision 4 is effective the day following final enactment.

28.12 **Sec. 7. APPROPRIATION; RAIL CORRIDOR IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.**

28.13 Subdivision 1. Appropriation. \$4,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the
28.14 general fund to the commissioner of transportation for the rail corridor implementation plan
28.15 and report under this section. This appropriation is available for project development activities
28.16 in conjunction with the rail corridor implementation plan, including but not limited to
28.17 planning, predesign, preliminary engineering, and environmental analysis, and is available
28.18 until June 30, 2025.

28.19 Subd. 2. Implementation plan. (a) The commissioner must enter into an agreement
28.20 with a qualified independent entity to develop a rail corridor implementation plan for rail
28.21 service improvements in the corridor between Minneapolis, St. Paul, Fargo, and Moorhead.

28.22 (b) At a minimum, the implementation plan must:

28.23 (1) identify, analyze, and evaluate options to expand rail service in the corridor, including
28.24 but not limited to:

28.25 (i) passenger rail, commuter rail, or both;

28.26 (ii) extension or expansion of rail service to St. Cloud;

28.27 (iii) extension of the current Amtrak train service between Minneapolis and St. Paul and
28.28 Chicago; and

28.29 (iv) modification to rail service administration, which may include jurisdictional transfers
28.30 and contracting for service;

28.31 (2) select a preferred alternative from among the evaluated options, in consultation with
28.32 the commissioner, the Metropolitan Council, and local stakeholders;

29.1 (3) include consideration of project barriers and risks;

29.2 (4) determine cost estimates for full implementation, including any capital improvements,
29.3 operations, and rolling stock and equipment; and

29.4 (5) establish a project schedule with development milestones.

29.5 (c) The implementation plan must be completed by January 15, 2024.

29.6 Subd. 3. **Legislative report.** By February 1, 2024, the commissioner of transportation
29.7 must submit a report on the rail corridor implementation plan to the chairs and ranking
29.8 minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy
29.9 and finance. At a minimum, the report must:

29.10 (1) provide a summary of the implementation plan;

29.11 (2) identify the process for full implementation of the plan;

29.12 (3) review project finances, including cost estimates, anticipated sources and uses of
29.13 funds, and a funding request; and

29.14 (4) provide recommendations for legislative changes, if any.

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

29.16 Sec. 8. **APPROPRIATION; TRANSIT SERVICE INTERVENTION PROJECT.**

29.17 Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the
29.18 general fund to the Metropolitan Council for grants to participating organizations in the
29.19 Transit Service Intervention Project under this section. The council must allocate the grants
29.20 to provide reimbursements for project implementation, including but not limited to
29.21 intervention teams, labor, and other expenses. This is a onetime appropriation and is available
29.22 until June 30, 2024.

29.23 Subd. 2. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the
29.24 meanings given.

29.25 (b) "Council" means the Metropolitan Council established under Minnesota Statutes,
29.26 chapter 473.

29.27 (c) "Intervention project" means the Transit Service Intervention Project established in
29.28 this section.

29.29 Subd. 3. **Establishment.** A Transit Service Intervention Project is established to provide
29.30 coordinated, high-visibility interventions on light rail transit lines that provide for enhanced
29.31 social services outreach and engagement, code of conduct regulation, and law enforcement.

- 30.1 Subd. 4. **Project management.** The council must implement the intervention project.
- 30.2 Subd. 5. **Participating organizations.** The council must seek the participation of the
- 30.3 following entities to provide for coordination on the intervention project:
- 30.4 (1) the Department of Human Services;
- 30.5 (2) the Department of Public Safety;
- 30.6 (3) the Metropolitan Council;
- 30.7 (4) each county within which a light rail transit line operates;
- 30.8 (5) each city within which a light rail transit line operates;
- 30.9 (6) the Metropolitan Airports Commission;
- 30.10 (7) the National Alliance on Mental Illness Minnesota;
- 30.11 (8) the exclusive representative of transit vehicle operators; and
- 30.12 (9) other interested community-based social service organizations.
- 30.13 Subd. 6. **Duties.** (a) In collaboration with the participating organizations under subdivision
- 30.14 5, the council must:
- 30.15 (1) establish social services intervention teams that consist of county-based social services
- 30.16 personnel and personnel from nonprofit organizations having mental health services or
- 30.17 support capacity to perform on-site social services engagement with (i) transit riders
- 30.18 experiencing homelessness, (ii) transit riders with substance use disorders or mental or
- 30.19 behavioral health disorders, or (iii) a combination;
- 30.20 (2) establish coordinated intervention teams that consist of personnel under clause (1),
- 30.21 community service officers, and peace officers;
- 30.22 (3) implement interventions in two phases as follows:
- 30.23 (i) by June 1, 2023, and for a period of three weeks, deploy the social services intervention
- 30.24 teams on a mobile basis on light rail transit lines and facilities; and
- 30.25 (ii) beginning at the conclusion of the period under item (i), and for a period of at least
- 30.26 nine weeks, deploy the coordinated intervention teams on a mobile basis on light rail transit
- 30.27 lines and facilities, utilizing both social services and law enforcement partners; and
- 30.28 (4) evaluate impacts of the intervention teams related to social services outreach, code
- 30.29 of conduct violations, and rider experience.

31.1 (b) Social services engagement under paragraph (a) includes but is not limited to outreach,
31.2 preliminary assessment and screening, information and resource sharing, referral or
31.3 connections to service providers, assistance in arranging for services, and precrisis response.

31.4 Subd. 7. **Administration.** Using existing resources, the council must provide staff
31.5 assistance and administrative support for the project.

31.6 Subd. 8. **Reports.** By the 15th of each month, the council must submit a status report
31.7 to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction
31.8 over transportation policy and finance. At a minimum, each report must include:

31.9 (1) a summary of activities under the intervention project;

31.10 (2) a fiscal review of expenditures; and

31.11 (3) analysis of impacts and outcomes related to social services outreach, violations under
31.12 Minnesota Statutes, sections 473.4065 and 609.855, and rider experience.

31.13 Subd. 9. **Expiration.** The intervention project under this section expires June 30, 2024.

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

31.15 Sec. 9. **APPROPRIATIONS; STATE PATROL OPERATING DEFICIENCY.**

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

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

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

31.23 Sec. 10. **TRANSFERS; GENERAL FUND.**

31.24 Each of the following are transferred in fiscal year 2024 from the general fund to the
31.25 commissioner of transportation:

31.26 (1) \$336,181,000 for deposit in the trunk highway fund; and

31.27 (2) \$38,410,000 for deposit in the small cities assistance account under Minnesota
31.28 Statutes, section 162.145, subdivision 2.

32.1 **Sec. 11. TRANSFERS; FEE AND SURCHARGE FOREGONE REVENUE.**

32.2 (a) Each of the following are transferred in fiscal year 2024 from the general fund to the
 32.3 commissioner of public safety:

32.4 (1) \$15,000 for deposit in the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension account under Minnesota
 32.5 Statutes, section 171.29, subdivision 2, paragraph (b);

32.6 (2) \$10,000 for deposit in the vehicle forfeiture account in the special revenue fund
 32.7 under Minnesota Statutes, section 171.29, subdivision 2, paragraph (b);

32.8 (3) \$38,000 for deposit in the traumatic brain injury and spinal cord injury account under
 32.9 Minnesota Statutes, section 171.29, subdivision 2, paragraph (c);

32.10 (4) \$285,000 for deposit in the remote electronic alcohol-monitoring program account
 32.11 under Minnesota Statutes, section 171.29, subdivision 2, paragraph (d); and

32.12 (5) \$4,000 for deposit in the driver and vehicle services technology account in the special
 32.13 revenue fund.

32.14 (b) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 171.29, subdivision 2, paragraph (d),
 32.15 until July 1, 2026, the amount deposited under paragraph (a), clause (4), is not subject to
 32.16 transfer to the general fund.

32.17 **Sec. 12. Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, is**
 32.18 **amended to read:**

32.19 **Subd. 2. Multimodal Systems**

32.20 **(a) Aeronautics**

32.21 **(1) Airport Development and Assistance** 24,198,000 18,598,000

32.22 Appropriations by Fund

32.23 2022 2023

32.24 General 5,600,000 -0-

32.25 Airports 18,598,000 18,598,000

32.26 This appropriation is from the state airports
 32.27 fund and must be spent according to
 32.28 Minnesota Statutes, section 360.305,
 32.29 subdivision 4.

32.30 \$5,600,000 in fiscal year 2022 is from the
 32.31 general fund for a grant to the city of Karlstad

33.1 for the acquisition of land, predesign, design,
 33.2 engineering, and construction of a primary
 33.3 airport runway.

33.4 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
 33.5 16A.28, subdivision 6, this appropriation is
 33.6 available for five years after the year of the
 33.7 appropriation. If the appropriation for either
 33.8 year is insufficient, the appropriation for the
 33.9 other year is available for it.

33.10 If the commissioner of transportation
 33.11 determines that a balance remains in the state
 33.12 airports fund following the appropriations
 33.13 made in this article and that the appropriations
 33.14 made are insufficient for advancing airport
 33.15 development and assistance projects, an
 33.16 amount necessary to advance the projects, not
 33.17 to exceed the balance in the state airports fund,
 33.18 is appropriated in each year to the
 33.19 commissioner and must be spent according to
 33.20 Minnesota Statutes, section 360.305,
 33.21 subdivision 4. Within two weeks of a
 33.22 determination under this contingent
 33.23 appropriation, the commissioner of
 33.24 transportation must notify the commissioner
 33.25 of management and budget and the chairs,
 33.26 ranking minority members, and staff of the
 33.27 legislative committees with jurisdiction over
 33.28 transportation finance concerning the funds
 33.29 appropriated. Funds appropriated under this
 33.30 contingent appropriation do not adjust the base
 33.31 for fiscal years 2024 and 2025.

33.32 **(2) Aviation Support Services** 8,332,000 8,340,000

33.33 Appropriations by Fund
 33.34 2022 2023

34.1 General 1,650,000 1,650,000
 34.2 Airports 6,682,000 6,690,000

34.3 \$28,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$36,000 in
 34.4 fiscal year 2023 are from the state airports
 34.5 fund for costs related to regulating unmanned
 34.6 aircraft systems.

34.7 **(3) Civil Air Patrol** 80,000 80,000

34.8 This appropriation is from the state airports
 34.9 fund for the Civil Air Patrol.

34.10 **(b) Transit and Active Transportation** 23,501,000 18,201,000

34.11 This appropriation is from the general fund.
 34.12 \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 is for the active
 34.13 transportation program under Minnesota
 34.14 Statutes, section 174.38. This is a onetime
 34.15 appropriation and is available until June 30,
 34.16 2025.

34.17 \$300,000 in fiscal year 2022 is for a grant to
 34.18 the 494 Corridor Commission. The
 34.19 commissioner must not retain any portion of
 34.20 the funds appropriated under this section. The
 34.21 commissioner must make grant payments in
 34.22 full by December 31, 2021. Funds under this
 34.23 grant are for programming and service
 34.24 expansion to assist companies and commuters
 34.25 in telecommuting efforts and promotion of
 34.26 best practices. A grant recipient must provide
 34.27 telework resources, assistance, information,
 34.28 and related activities on a statewide basis. This
 34.29 is a onetime appropriation.

34.30 **(c) Safe Routes to School** 5,500,000 500,000

34.31 This appropriation is from the general fund
 34.32 for the safe routes to school program under
 34.33 Minnesota Statutes, section 174.40.

35.1 If the appropriation for either year is
 35.2 insufficient, the appropriation for the other
 35.3 year is available for it. \$5,000,000 in fiscal
 35.4 year 2022 is available until June 30, 2025.

35.5 **(d) Passenger Rail** 10,500,000 500,000

35.6 This appropriation is from the general fund
 35.7 for passenger rail activities under Minnesota
 35.8 Statutes, sections 174.632 to 174.636.

35.9 \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 is for final
 35.10 design and construction to provide for a
 35.11 second daily Amtrak train service between
 35.12 Minneapolis and St. Paul and Chicago. The
 35.13 commissioner may expend funds for program
 35.14 delivery and administration from this amount.
 35.15 This is a onetime appropriation and is
 35.16 available until June 30, 2025.

35.17 **(e) Freight** 8,342,000 7,323,000

35.18	Appropriations by Fund		
35.19		2022	2023
35.20	General	2,464,000	1,445,000
35.21	Trunk Highway	5,878,000	5,878,000

35.22 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 is from the
 35.23 general fund for procurement costs of a
 35.24 statewide freight network optimization tool.
 35.25 This is a onetime appropriation and is
 35.26 available until June 30, ~~2023~~ 2025.

35.27 \$350,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$287,000 in
 35.28 fiscal year 2023 are from the general fund for
 35.29 two additional rail safety inspectors in the state
 35.30 rail safety inspection program under
 35.31 Minnesota Statutes, section 219.015. In each
 35.32 year, the commissioner must not increase the
 35.33 total assessment amount under Minnesota

36.1 Statutes, section 219.015, subdivision 2, from
 36.2 the most recent assessment amount.

36.3 Sec. 13. Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article 1, section 4, subdivision 4, is
 36.4 amended to read:

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

36.6 **(a) Driver Services** 44,820,000 39,685,000

36.7 This appropriation is from the driver services
 36.8 operating account in the special revenue fund
 36.9 under Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.705,
 36.10 subdivision 2.

36.11 \$2,598,000 in each year is for costs to reopen
 36.12 all driver's license examination stations that
 36.13 were closed in 2020 due to the COVID-19
 36.14 pandemic. This amount is not available for the
 36.15 public information center, general
 36.16 administration, or operational support. This is
 36.17 a onetime appropriation.

36.18 \$2,229,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$155,000
 36.19 in fiscal year 2023 are for costs of a pilot
 36.20 project for same-day issuance of drivers'
 36.21 licenses and state identification cards.

36.22 The base is \$36,398,000 in each of fiscal years
 36.23 2024 and 2025.

36.24 **(b) Vehicle Services** 37,418,000 35,535,000
 36.25 27,299,000

36.26 Appropriations by Fund			
	36.27 2022	36.28 2023	
36.28 H.U.T.D.	686,000	-0-	
36.29		<u>35,535,000</u>	
36.30 Special Revenue	36,732,000	<u>27,299,000</u>	

36.31 The special revenue fund appropriation is from
 36.32 the vehicle services operating account under

37.1 Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.705,
37.2 subdivision 1.
37.3 \$200,000 in fiscal year 2022 is from the
37.4 vehicle services operating account for the
37.5 independent expert review of MnDRIVE under
37.6 article 4, section 144, for expenses of the chair
37.7 and the review team related to work completed
37.8 pursuant to that section, including any
37.9 contracts entered into. This is a onetime
37.10 appropriation.
37.11 \$250,000 in fiscal year 2022 is from the
37.12 vehicle services operating account for
37.13 programming costs related to the
37.14 implementation of self-service kiosks for
37.15 vehicle registration renewal. This is a onetime
37.16 appropriation and is available in fiscal year
37.17 2023.
37.18 The base is \$33,788,000 in each of fiscal years
37.19 2024 and 2025.

37.20 Sec. 14. **FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION GRANTS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**

37.21 **Subdivision 1. Definition.** For purposes of this section, "commissioner" means the
37.22 commissioner of transportation.

37.23 **Subd. 2. Technical assistance grants.** (a) The commissioner must establish a process
37.24 to provide grants for technical assistance to a requesting local unit of government or Tribal
37.25 government that seeks to submit an application for a federal discretionary grant for a
37.26 transportation-related purpose.

37.27 (b) A transportation-related purpose includes but is not limited to a project, a program,
37.28 planning, program delivery, administrative costs, ongoing operations, and other related
37.29 expenditures. Technical assistance includes but is not limited to hiring consultants for
37.30 identification of available grants, grant writing, analysis, data collection, technical review,
37.31 legal interpretations necessary to complete an application, planning, pre-engineering,
37.32 application finalization, and similar activities.

38.1 Subd. 3. **Evaluation criteria.** (a) The commissioner must establish a process for
38.2 solicitation, submission of requests for technical assistance, screening requests, and award
38.3 of technical assistance grants.

38.4 (b) The process must include criteria for projects or purposes that:

38.5 (1) address or mitigate the impacts of climate change, including through:

38.6 (i) reduction in transportation-related pollution or emissions; and

38.7 (ii) improvements to the resiliency of infrastructure that is subject to long-term risks
38.8 from natural disasters, weather events, or changing climate conditions;

38.9 (2) are located in areas of persistent poverty or historically disadvantaged communities,
38.10 as measured and defined in federal law, guidance, and notices of funding opportunity;

38.11 (3) improve safety for motorized and nonmotorized users of the transportation system;

38.12 (4) are located in townships or cities that are eligible for small cities assistance aid under
38.13 Minnesota Statutes, section 162.145;

38.14 (5) support grants to Tribal governments; and

38.15 (6) provide for geographic balance of grants throughout the state.

38.16 Subd. 4. **Requirements.** (a) A technical assistance grant may not exceed \$30,000.

38.17 (b) The commissioner may not award more than one grant to each unit of government
38.18 in a calendar year. The commissioner may award multiple grants to a Tribal government in
38.19 a calendar year.

38.20 (c) From available funds in each fiscal year, the commissioner must reserve:

38.21 (1) at least 15 percent for Tribal governments; and

38.22 (2) at least 15 percent for cities that are eligible for small cities assistance aid under
38.23 Minnesota Statutes, section 162.145.

38.24 (d) Funds reserved under paragraph (c) that are unused at the end of a fiscal year may
38.25 be used for grants to any eligible recipient in the following fiscal year.

38.26 Sec. 15. **SMALL COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS.**

38.27 (a) The commissioner of transportation must enter into an agreement with the Board of
38.28 Regents of the University of Minnesota for small community partnerships on infrastructure
38.29 project analysis and development as provided in this section.

38.30 (b) The agreement must provide for:

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

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

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

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

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

39.12 (c) The agreement may provide for project analysis and development activities that
39.13 include but are not limited to planning, scoping, analysis, predesign, design, pre-engineering,
39.14 and engineering.

39.15 **Sec. 16. INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT (IIJA)**

39.16 **DISCRETIONARY MATCH.**

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

39.19 (b) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of transportation.

39.20 (c) "Federal discretionary grant" means federal funds under a discretionary grant program
39.21 enacted or authorized in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), Public Law
39.22 117-58, and federal funds under any subsequent federal appropriations acts directly associated
39.23 with a spending authorization or appropriation under the IIJA.

39.24 (d) "Federal grant recipient" means an entity that receives a federal discretionary grant
39.25 under the applicable federal program.

39.26 Subd. 2. **General requirements.** (a) Subject to an appropriation, the commissioner must
39.27 establish a process to allocate the funds made available for purposes of this section.

39.28 (b) The commissioner must allocate available funds in the order of (1) requests submitted
39.29 by federal grant recipients, followed by (2) announcement or notification of the federal
39.30 grant award. The commissioner may allocate funds for a federal discretionary grant awarded
39.31 prior to the effective date of this section.

40.1 (c) The commissioner must only allocate available funds:

40.2 (1) to a federal grant recipient for match requirements under federal discretionary grants;

40.3 (2) for a transportation-related purpose, including but not limited to a project, a program,
40.4 planning, program delivery, administrative costs, ongoing operations, and other related
40.5 expenditures; and

40.6 (3) in an amount not to exceed the lesser of (i) the amount necessary for the federal
40.7 match requirements, or (ii) \$10,000,000.

40.8 Subd. 3. **Uses of funds.** (a) From available funds under this section, the commissioner
40.9 may:

40.10 (1) expend funds for the trunk highway system;

40.11 (2) allocate funds among any transportation modes and programs, including but not
40.12 limited to local roads and bridges, transit, active transportation, aeronautics, alternative fuel
40.13 corridors, electric vehicle infrastructure, and climate-related programs; and

40.14 (3) make grants to a federal grant recipient, which as appropriate includes but is not
40.15 limited to federally recognized Tribal governments, local units of government, and
40.16 metropolitan planning organizations.

40.17 (b) Funds under this section are available regardless of the eligible uses of federal funds
40.18 under the federal discretionary grant award.

40.19 Subd. 4. **Public information.** The commissioner must maintain information on a public
40.20 website that details funds allocated under this section. The information must include:

40.21 (1) a summary of federal grant recipients, projects including a general status, and the
40.22 amounts of match funding requested and provided;

40.23 (2) identification of any unfunded requests; and

40.24 (3) a fiscal review that provides breakouts by type of project or purpose, transportation
40.25 mode, federal program, and region of the state.

40.26 Subd. 5. **Expiration.** This section expires June 30, 2029.

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

40.28 Sec. 17. **RICE STREET CAPITOL AREA REDESIGN.**

40.29 (a) From the appropriation in section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (c), clause (3), the
40.30 commissioner of transportation must provide one or more grants to the city of St. Paul,

41.1 Ramsey County, or both for planning, predesign, design, engineering, environmental analysis
41.2 and mitigation, land acquisition, and reconstruction of the Rice Street Capitol Area corridor
41.3 as follows:

41.4 (1) Rice Street from West Pennsylvania Avenue to John Ireland Boulevard;

41.5 (2) Como Avenue from West Pennsylvania Avenue and Marion Street to Rice Street;

41.6 (3) West 12th Street from John Ireland Boulevard to the vicinity of Saint Peter Street;

41.7 and

41.8 (4) Saint Peter Street from West 12th Street to East 11th Street.

41.9 (b) The Rice Street Capitol Area redesign project under this section must:

41.10 (1) be developed under a multiagency planning process that is coordinated by the Capitol
41.11 Area Architectural and Planning Board under Minnesota Statutes, section 15B.03;

41.12 (2) conform with the comprehensive plan adopted under Minnesota Statutes, section
41.13 15B.05, and the street design manual adopted by the city of St. Paul; and

41.14 (3) establish a multimodal hub in the vicinity of Rice Street and University Avenue.

41.15 **Sec. 18. TRAFFIC SAFETY VIOLATIONS DISPOSITION ANALYSIS.**

41.16 (a) From an appropriation in this act, the commissioner of public safety must enter into
41.17 an agreement with the Center for Transportation Studies at the University of Minnesota to
41.18 conduct an evaluation of the disposition in recent years of citations for speeding, impairment,
41.19 distraction, and seatbelt violations. The evaluation under the agreement must include but
41.20 is not limited to analysis of:

41.21 (1) rates of citations issued compared to rates of citations contested in court and the
41.22 outcomes of the cases;

41.23 (2) amounts of fines imposed compared to counts and amounts of fine payments; and

41.24 (3) any related changes in patterns of traffic enforcement from 2017 to 2022.

41.25 (b) The agreement must require the Center for Transportation Studies to submit an
41.26 interim progress report by July 1, 2024, and a final report by July 1, 2025, to the
41.27 commissioner and the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees
41.28 with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance and public safety.

42.1 **Sec. 19. ACCOUNT USE FOR CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS.**

42.2 (a) If an appropriation in fiscal year 2024 or thereafter from the vehicle services operating
 42.3 account under Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.705, subdivision 1, or from the driver
 42.4 services operating account under Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.705, subdivision 2, is
 42.5 enacted during the 2023 regular legislative session, the appropriation is instead from the
 42.6 driver and vehicle services account as provided under article 4, section 38.

42.7 (b) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 645.26, subdivision 3, this section
 42.8 prevails for an appropriation as provided under paragraph (a).

42.9 **Sec. 20. APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERS GIVEN EFFECT ONCE.**

42.10 If an appropriation or transfer in this article is enacted more than once during the 2023
 42.11 regular legislative session, the appropriation or transfer must be given effect once.

42.12 **ARTICLE 2**

42.13 **TRUNK HIGHWAY BONDS**

42.14 **Section 1. BOND APPROPRIATIONS.**

42.15 The sums shown in the column under "Appropriations" are appropriated from the bond
 42.16 proceeds account in the trunk highway fund to the commissioner of transportation or other
 42.17 named entity, to be spent for public purposes. Appropriations of bond proceeds must be
 42.18 spent as authorized by the Minnesota Constitution, articles XI and XIV. Unless otherwise
 42.19 specified, money appropriated in this article for a capital program or project may be used
 42.20 to pay state agency staff costs that are attributed directly to the capital program or project
 42.21 in accordance with accounting policies adopted by the commissioner of management and
 42.22 budget.

42.23 **SUMMARY**

42.24 <u>Department of Transportation</u>	\$ 217,440,000
42.25 <u>Department of Management and Budget</u>	\$ 220,000
42.26 <u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$ 217,660,000</u>

42.27 **APPROPRIATIONS**

42.28 **Sec. 2. DEPARTMENT OF**
 42.29 **TRANSPORTATION**

42.30 Subdivision 1. **Corridors of Commerce** 50,000,000

43.1 (a) This appropriation is for the corridors of
 43.2 commerce program under Minnesota Statutes,
 43.3 section 161.088.

43.4 (b) The commissioner may use up to 17
 43.5 percent of the amount for program delivery.

43.6 **Subd. 2. High-Priority Bridges** 80,000,000

43.7 (a) This appropriation is for the acquisition,
 43.8 environmental analysis, predesign, design,
 43.9 engineering, construction, reconstruction, and
 43.10 improvement of trunk highway bridges,
 43.11 including design-build contracts, program
 43.12 delivery, consultant usage to support these
 43.13 activities, and the cost of payments to
 43.14 landowners for lands acquired for highway
 43.15 rights-of-way. Projects to construct,
 43.16 reconstruct, or improve trunk highway bridges
 43.17 from this appropriation must follow eligible
 43.18 investment priorities identified in the State
 43.19 Highway Investment Plan.

43.20 (b) The commissioner may use up to 17
 43.21 percent of the amount for program delivery.

43.22 **Subd. 3. Transportation Facilities Capital**
 43.23 **Improvements** 87,440,000

43.24 This appropriation is for Department of
 43.25 Transportation facilities capital improvements
 43.26 that:

43.27 (1) support the programmatic mission of the
 43.28 department;

43.29 (2) extend the useful life of existing buildings;

43.30 or

43.31 (3) renovate or construct facilities to meet the
 43.32 department's current and future operational
 43.33 needs.

44.1 **Sec. 3. BOND SALE EXPENSES** **\$** **220,000**

44.2 This appropriation is to the commissioner of
 44.3 management and budget for bond sale
 44.4 expenses under Minnesota Statutes, sections
 44.5 16A.641, subdivision 8, and 167.50,
 44.6 subdivision 4.

44.7 **Sec. 4. BOND SALE AUTHORIZATION.**

44.8 To provide the money appropriated in this article from the bond proceeds account in the
 44.9 trunk highway fund, the commissioner of management and budget shall sell and issue bonds
 44.10 of the state in an amount up to \$217,660,000 in the manner, upon the terms, and with the
 44.11 effect prescribed by Minnesota Statutes, sections 167.50 to 167.52, and by the Minnesota
 44.12 Constitution, article XIV, section 11, at the times and in the amounts requested by the
 44.13 commissioner of transportation. The proceeds of the bonds, except accrued interest and any
 44.14 premium received from the sale of the bonds, must be deposited in the bond proceeds account
 44.15 in the trunk highway fund.

44.16 **ARTICLE 3**

44.17 **TRANSPORTATION-RELATED TAXES**

44.18 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.013, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

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

44.22 (1) for a vehicle initially registered in Minnesota prior to November 16, 2020, ~~4.25~~ 1.915
 44.23 percent of the manufacturer's suggested retail price of the vehicle and the destination charge,
 44.24 subject to the adjustments in paragraphs (f) and (g); or

44.25 (2) for a vehicle initially registered in Minnesota on or after November 16, 2020, ~~4.285~~
 44.26 1.95 percent of the manufacturer's suggested retail price of the vehicle, subject to the
 44.27 adjustments in paragraphs (f) and (g).

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

45.23 (2) for the second year, 90 percent of the price;

45.24 (3) for the third year, ~~80~~ 78 percent of the price;

45.25 (4) for the fourth year, ~~70~~ 60 percent of the price;

45.26 (5) for the fifth year, ~~60~~ 50 percent of the price;

45.27 (6) for the sixth year, ~~50~~ 34 percent of the price;

45.28 (7) for the seventh year, ~~40~~ 27 percent of the price;

45.29 (8) for the eighth year, ~~30~~ 18 percent of the price;

45.30 (9) for the ninth year, ~~20~~ 12 percent of the price; and

46.1 (10) for the tenth year, ~~ten~~ six percent of the price.

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

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

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

46.10 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.33, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

46.11 Subd. 7. **Filing fees; allocations.** (a) In addition to all other statutory fees and taxes, a
46.12 filing fee ~~of~~ is imposed at:

46.13 (1) ~~\$7 is imposed~~ on every vehicle registration renewal, excluding pro rate transactions;
46.14 and

46.15 (2) ~~\$11 is imposed~~ on every other type of vehicle transaction, including motor carrier
46.16 fuel licenses under sections 168D.05 and 168D.06, and pro rate transactions.

46.17 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a):

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

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

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

46.24 (d) The statutory fees and taxes, and the filing fees imposed under paragraph (a) may
46.25 be paid by credit card or debit card. The deputy registrar may collect a surcharge on the
46.26 statutory fees, taxes, and filing fee not greater than the cost of processing a credit card or
46.27 debit card transaction, in accordance with emergency rules established by the commissioner
46.28 of public safety. The surcharge must be used to pay the cost of processing credit and debit
46.29 card transactions.

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

47.1 (1) ~~of the fees collected under paragraph (a), clause (1),~~ must be deposited as follows:

47.2 (i) ~~\$5.50 must be deposited in the driver and~~ vehicle services operating account; and

47.3 (ii) ~~\$1.50 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services~~ technology account; and

47.4 (2) ~~of the fees collected under paragraph (a), clause (2),~~ must be deposited as follows:

47.5 (i) ~~\$3.50 must be deposited in the general fund~~ in the transportation advancement account
47.6 under section 174.49;

47.7 (ii) ~~\$6.00 must be deposited in the driver and~~ vehicle services operating account; and

47.8 (iii) ~~\$1.50 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services~~ technology account.

47.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, for transactions occurring
47.10 on or after that date.

47.11 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.54, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

47.12 Subd. 5. **Deposit of proceeds to general fund.** The commissioner ~~shall~~ must collect
47.13 the proceeds of the fee imposed under this section and deposit them ~~in the general fund~~
47.14 ~~pursuant to section 168A.31~~ in the transportation advancement account under section 174.49.

47.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, for transactions occurring
47.16 on or after that date.

47.17 Sec. 4. **[168E.01] DEFINITIONS.**

47.18 **Subdivision 1. Scope.** As used in this chapter, the following terms have the meanings
47.19 given.

47.20 **Subd. 2. Clothing.** "Clothing" has the meaning given in section 297A.67, subdivision
47.21 8.

47.22 **Subd. 3. Commissioner.** "Commissioner" means the commissioner of revenue.

47.23 **Subd. 4. Marketplace provider.** "Marketplace provider" has the meaning given in
47.24 section 297A.66, subdivision 1, paragraph (d).

47.25 **Subd. 5. Person.** "Person" has the meaning given in section 297A.61, subdivision 2.

47.26 **Subd. 6. Retail delivery.** "Retail delivery" means a delivery to a person located in
47.27 Minnesota of the following items as part of a retail sale:

47.28 (1) tangible personal property that is subject to taxation under chapter 297A; and

47.29 (2) clothing as defined under section 297A.67, subdivision 8.

48.1 Retail delivery does not include curbside delivery or pickup at the retailer's place of business.

48.2 Subd. 7. **Retail delivery fee.** "Retail delivery fee" means the fee imposed under section
48.3 168E.03 on retail deliveries.

48.4 Subd. 8. **Retail sale.** "Retail sale" has the meaning given in section 297A.61, subdivision
48.5 4.

48.6 Subd. 9. **Retailer.** "Retailer" means any person making sales, leases, or rental of personal
48.7 property or services within or into the state of Minnesota that is required to remit the tax
48.8 imposed under chapter 297A. Retailer includes a:

48.9 (1) retailer maintaining a place of business in this state;

48.10 (2) marketplace provider maintaining a place of business in this state, as defined in
48.11 section 297A.66, subdivision 1, paragraph (a);

48.12 (3) retailer not maintaining a place of business in this state; and

48.13 (4) marketplace provider not maintaining a place of business in this state, as defined in
48.14 section 297A.66, subdivision 1, paragraph (b).

48.15 Subd. 10. **Tangible personal property.** "Tangible personal property" has the meaning
48.16 given in section 297A.61, subdivision 10.

48.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2024.

48.18 Sec. 5. **[168E.03] FEE IMPOSED.**

48.19 Subdivision 1. **Retail delivery fee imposed.** (a) A fee is imposed on each retailer equal
48.20 to 75 cents on each transaction involving retail delivery in Minnesota. The retailer may, but
48.21 is not required to, collect the fee from the purchaser. If separately stated on the invoice, bill
48.22 of sale, or similar document given to the purchaser, the fee is excluded from the sales price
48.23 for purposes of the tax imposed under chapter 297A.

48.24 (b) If the retailer collects the fee from the purchaser:

48.25 (1) the retail delivery fee must be charged in addition to any other delivery fee; and

48.26 (2) the retailer must show the total of the retail delivery fee and other delivery fees as
48.27 separate items and distinct from the sales price and any other taxes or fees imposed on the
48.28 retail delivery on the purchaser's receipt, invoice, or other bill of sale.

48.29 Subd. 2. **Multiple items or shipments.** The fee imposed under subdivision 1 is imposed
48.30 once per transaction regardless of the number of shipments necessary to deliver the items

49.1 of tangible personal property purchased or of the number of items of tangible personal
49.2 property purchased.

49.3 Subd. 3. **Returns and cancellations.** The fee imposed under subdivision 1 is
49.4 nonrefundable if any or all items purchased are returned to a retailer or if the retailer provides
49.5 a refund or credit in the amount equal to or less than the purchase price. The fee must be
49.6 refunded to the purchaser if the retail delivery is canceled by the purchaser, retailer, or
49.7 delivery provider.

49.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2024.

49.9 Sec. 6. **[168E.05] EXEMPTIONS.**

49.10 Subdivision 1. **Transactions.** The following retail deliveries are exempt from the fee
49.11 imposed by this chapter:

49.12 (1) a retail delivery to a purchaser who is exempt from tax under chapter 297A; and

49.13 (2) a retail delivery on a motor vehicle for which a permit issued by the commissioner
49.14 of transportation or a road authority is required under chapter 169 or 221 and the retailer
49.15 has maintained books and records through reasonable and verifiable standards that the retail
49.16 delivery was on a qualifying vehicle.

49.17 Subd. 2. **Small businesses.** The fee imposed by this chapter and the requirements of this
49.18 chapter do not apply to:

49.19 (1) a retailer that made retail sales totaling less than \$1,000,000 in the previous calendar
49.20 year; and

49.21 (2) a marketplace provider when facilitating the sale of a retailer that made retail sales
49.22 totaling less than \$100,000 in the previous calendar year through the marketplace provider.

49.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2024.

49.24 Sec. 7. **[168E.07] COLLECTION AND ADMINISTRATION.**

49.25 Subdivision 1. **Returns; payment of fees.** (a) A retailer must report the fee on a return
49.26 prescribed by the commissioner and must remit the fee with the return. The return and fee
49.27 must be filed and paid using the filing cycle and due dates provided for taxes imposed under
49.28 chapter 297A.

49.29 Subd. 2. **Collection and remittance.** A retailer that collects the fee from the purchaser
49.30 must collect the fee in the same manner as the tax collected under chapter 297A. A retailer

50.1 using a third-party entity to collect and remit the tax imposed under chapter 297A may elect
50.2 to have that third-party entity collect and remit the fee imposed under this chapter.

50.3 Subd. 3. **Administration.** Unless specifically provided otherwise by this chapter, the
50.4 audit, assessment, refund, penalty, interest, enforcement, collection remedies, appeal, and
50.5 administrative provisions of chapters 270C and 289A, that are applicable to taxes imposed
50.6 under chapter 297A, apply to the fee imposed under this chapter.

50.7 Subd. 4. **Interest on overpayments.** The commissioner must pay interest on an
50.8 overpayment refunded or credited to the retailer from the date of payment of the fee until
50.9 the date the refund is paid or credited. For purposes of this subdivision, the date of payment
50.10 is the due date of the return or the date of actual payment of the fee, whichever is later.

50.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2024.

50.12 Sec. 8. **[168E.09] DEPOSIT OF PROCEEDS.**

50.13 Subdivision 1. **Costs deducted.** The commissioner must retain an amount that does not
50.14 exceed the total cost of collecting, administering, and enforcing the retail delivery fee and
50.15 must deposit the amount in the revenue department service and recovery special revenue
50.16 fund.

50.17 Subd. 2. **Deposits.** After deposits under subdivision 1, the commissioner must deposit
50.18 the balance of proceeds from the retail delivery fee in the transportation advancement account
50.19 under section 174.49.

50.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2024.

50.21 Sec. 9. **[174.49] TRANSPORTATION ADVANCEMENT ACCOUNT.**

50.22 Subdivision 1. **Transportation advancement account.** A transportation advancement
50.23 account is established in the special revenue fund. The account consists of funds under
50.24 sections 168.33, subdivision 7; 168.54, subdivision 5; 168E.09, subdivision 2; and as
50.25 provided by law and any other money donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided
50.26 to the account.

50.27 Subd. 2. **Account allocation.** The commissioner of transportation must transfer funds
50.28 in the transportation advancement account as follows:

50.29 (1) 33 percent to the highway user tax distribution fund;

50.30 (2) 18 percent to the county state-aid highway fund;

50.31 (3) 12 percent to the municipal state-aid street fund;

- 51.1 (4) 24 percent to the small cities assistance account under section 162.145, subdivision
 51.2 2;
 51.3 (5) 12 percent to the town road account under section 162.081; and
 51.4 (6) one percent to the food delivery support account under section 256.9752, subdivision
 51.5 1a.

51.6 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 256.9752, is amended by adding a subdivision
 51.7 to read:

51.8 Subd. 1a. **Food delivery support account; appropriation.** (a) A food delivery support
 51.9 account is established in the special revenue fund. The account consists of funds under
 51.10 sections 168E.09, subdivision 2, and as provided by law and any other money donated,
 51.11 allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account.

51.12 (b) Money in the account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of human services
 51.13 for grants to nonprofit organizations to provide transportation of home-delivered meals,
 51.14 groceries, purchased food, or a combination, to Minnesotans who are experiencing food
 51.15 insecurity and have difficulty obtaining or preparing meals due to limited mobility, disability,
 51.16 age, or resources to prepare their own meals. A nonprofit organization must have a
 51.17 demonstrated history of providing and distributing food customized for the population that
 51.18 they serve.

51.19 (c) Grant funds under this subdivision must supplement, but not supplant, any state or
 51.20 federal funding used to provide prepared meals to Minnesotans experiencing food insecurity.

51.21 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 270C.15, is amended to read:

51.22 **270C.15 REVENUE DEPARTMENT SERVICE AND RECOVERY SPECIAL**
 51.23 **REVENUE FUND.**

51.24 A Revenue Department service and recovery special revenue fund is created for the
 51.25 purpose of recovering the costs of furnishing government data and related services or
 51.26 products, as well as recovering costs associated with collecting local taxes on sales and the
 51.27 retail delivery fee established under chapter 168E. All money collected under this section
 51.28 is deposited in the Revenue Department service and recovery special revenue fund. Money
 51.29 in the fund is appropriated to the commissioner to reimburse the department for the costs
 51.30 incurred in administering the tax law or providing the data, service, or product. Any money
 51.31 paid to the department as a criminal fine for a violation of state revenue law that is designated
 51.32 by the court to fund enforcement of state revenue law is appropriated to this fund.

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

52.2 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297A.94, is amended to read:

52.3 **297A.94 DEPOSIT OF REVENUES.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

53.8 (g) ~~The commissioner shall deposit an amount of the remittances monthly into the state~~
53.9 ~~treasury and credit them to the highway user tax distribution fund as a portion of the estimated~~
53.10 ~~amount of taxes collected from the sale and purchase of motor vehicle repair and replacement~~
53.11 ~~parts in that month. The monthly deposit amount is \$12,137,000. Between July 1, 2023,~~
53.12 ~~and June 30, 2027, the commissioner must deposit \$14,887,000 monthly in the highway~~
53.13 ~~user tax distribution fund, as a portion of the revenue derived from the taxes imposed under~~
53.14 ~~section 297A.62, subdivision 1, on the sale and purchase of motor vehicle repair and~~
53.15 ~~replacement parts. On and after July 1, 2027, the commissioner must deposit in the highway~~
53.16 ~~user tax distribution fund the revenue derived from the taxes imposed under section 297A.62,~~
53.17 ~~subdivision 1, on the sale and purchase of motor vehicle repair and replacement parts.~~

53.18 For purposes of this paragraph, "motor vehicle" has the meaning given in section 297B.01,
53.19 subdivision 11, and "motor vehicle repair and replacement parts" includes (i) all parts, tires,
53.20 accessories, and equipment incorporated into or affixed to the motor vehicle as part of the
53.21 motor vehicle maintenance and repair, and (ii) paint, oil, and other fluids that remain on or
53.22 in the motor vehicle as part of the motor vehicle maintenance or repair. For purposes of this
53.23 paragraph, "tire" means any tire of the type used on highway vehicles, if wholly or partially
53.24 made of rubber and if marked according to federal regulations for highway use.

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

53.28 (1) 50 percent of the receipts must be deposited in the heritage enhancement account in
53.29 the game and fish fund, and may be spent only on activities that improve, enhance, or protect
53.30 fish and wildlife resources, including conservation, restoration, and enhancement of land,
53.31 water, and other natural resources of the state;

53.32 (2) 22.5 percent of the receipts must be deposited in the natural resources fund, and may
53.33 be spent only for state parks and trails;

54.1 (3) 22.5 percent of the receipts must be deposited in the natural resources fund, and may
54.2 be spent only on metropolitan park and trail grants;

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

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

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

54.17 (j) The commissioner must deposit the revenues, including interest and penalties minus
54.18 any refunds, derived from the sale of items regulated under section 624.20, subdivision 1,
54.19 that may be sold to persons 18 years old or older and that are not prohibited from use by
54.20 the general public under section 624.21, in the state treasury and credit:

54.21 (1) 25 percent to the volunteer fire assistance grant account established under section
54.22 88.068;

54.23 (2) 25 percent to the fire safety account established under section 297I.06, subdivision
54.24 3; and

54.25 (3) the remainder to the general fund.

54.26 For purposes of this paragraph, the percentage of total sales and use tax revenue derived
54.27 from the sale of items regulated under section 624.20, subdivision 1, that are allowed to be
54.28 sold to persons 18 years old or older and are not prohibited from use by the general public
54.29 under section 624.21, is a set percentage of the total sales and use tax revenues collected in
54.30 the state, with the percentage determined under Laws 2017, First Special Session chapter
54.31 1, article 3, section 39.

54.32 (k) The revenues deposited under paragraphs (a) to (j) do not include the revenues,
54.33 including interest and penalties, generated by the sales tax imposed under section 297A.62,

55.1 subdivision 1a, which must be deposited as provided under the Minnesota Constitution,
55.2 article XI, section 15.

55.3 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297A.99, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

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

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

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

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

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

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

55.19 (1) conduct the referendum;

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

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

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

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

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

56.1 Sec. 14. [297A.9925] METROPOLITAN REGION SALES AND USE TAX.

56.2 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have
56.3 the meanings given.

56.4 (b) "Metropolitan area" means the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
56.5 Scott, and Washington.

56.6 (c) "Metropolitan Council" or "council" means the Metropolitan Council established by
56.7 section 473.123.

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

56.10 Subd. 2. Sales tax imposition; rate. Notwithstanding section 473.123, subdivision 1,
56.11 the Metropolitan Council must impose a metropolitan region sales and use tax at a rate of
56.12 three-quarters of one percent on retail sales and uses taxable under this chapter made in the
56.13 metropolitan area or to a destination in the metropolitan area.

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

56.17 Subd. 4. Deposit. Proceeds of the metropolitan sales tax must be deposited in the
56.18 metropolitan area transit account under section 16A.88.

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

56.24 (b) The bonds are payable from and secured by a pledge of all or part of the revenue
56.25 received under subdivision 4 and associated investment earnings on debt proceeds. The
56.26 council may, by resolution, authorize the issuance of the bonds as general obligations of
56.27 the council. The bonds must be sold, issued, and secured in the manner provided in chapter
56.28 475, and the council has the same powers and duties as a municipality and its governing
56.29 body in issuing bonds under chapter 475, except that no election is required and the net debt
56.30 limitations in chapter 475 do not apply to such bonds. The proceeds of the bonds may also
56.31 be used to fund necessary reserves and to pay credit enhancement fees, issuance costs, and
56.32 other financing costs during the life of the debt.

57.1 (c) The bonds may be secured by a bond resolution, or a trust indenture entered into by
 57.2 the council with a corporate trustee within or outside the state, which must define the
 57.3 revenues and bond proceeds pledged for the payment and security of the bonds. The pledge
 57.4 must be a valid charge on the revenues received under section 297A.99, subdivision 11.
 57.5 Neither the state, nor any municipality or political subdivision except the council, nor any
 57.6 member or officer or employee of the council, is liable on the obligations. No mortgage or
 57.7 security interest in any tangible real or personal property is granted to the bondholders or
 57.8 the trustee, but they have a valid security interest in the revenues and bond proceeds received
 57.9 by the council and pledged to the payment of the bonds. In the bond resolution or trust
 57.10 indenture, the council may make such covenants as it determines to be reasonable for the
 57.11 protection of the bondholders.

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

57.15 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297B.02, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

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

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

57.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for sales and purchases on or after July
 57.23 1, 2023.

57.24 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297B.09, is amended to read:

57.25 **297B.09 ALLOCATION OF REVENUE.**

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

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

57.30 (2) 34.3 percent in the metropolitan area transit account under section 16A.88; and ~~four~~
 57.31 percent must be deposited

58.1 (3) 5.7 percent in the greater Minnesota transit account under section 16A.88.

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

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

58.5 Sec. 17. **[473.4465] METROPOLITAN REGION SALES AND USE TAX**
58.6 **ALLOCATION.**

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

58.10 Subd. 2. **Distribution.** Sales tax revenue is allocated:

58.11 (1) five-sixths to the council; and

58.12 (2) one-sixth to the Transportation Advisory Board.

58.13 Subd. 3. **Use of funds; Metropolitan Council.** (a) Sales tax revenue allocated to the
58.14 council under subdivision 2, clause (1), is available for transit system purposes under sections
58.15 473.371 to 473.452, including but not limited to operations, maintenance, and capital projects.

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

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

58.19 (2) improvements related to transit safety;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

59.1 (11) financial assistance to replacement service providers under section 473.388, to
59.2 provide for service, vehicle purchases, and capital investments related to demand response
59.3 microtransit service.

59.4 (c) Subject to subdivision 5, nothing in paragraph (b) prevents expenditure for additional
59.5 purposes as determined by the council.

59.6 **Subd. 4. Use of funds; Transportation Advisory Board.** (a) Sales tax revenue allocated
59.7 to the Transportation Advisory Board under subdivision 2, clause (2), is for grants for
59.8 highway projects that provide for one or more of the following: safety improvements; crash
59.9 reduction; support for active transportation; or maintenance.

59.10 (b) The Transportation Advisory Board must establish eligibility requirements and a
59.11 project selection process to provide the grant awards. The process must include: solicitation;
59.12 evaluation and prioritization, including technical review, scoring, and ranking; project
59.13 selection; and award of funds. To the extent feasible, the process must align with procedures
59.14 and requirements established for allocation of other sources of funds.

59.15 **Subd. 5. Prohibition.** (a) The council is prohibited from expending sales tax revenue
59.16 on the Southwest light rail transit (Green Line Extension) project.

59.17 (b) Paragraph (a) expires on the date of expiration of the Metropolitan Governance Task
59.18 Force as specified under article 4, section 61, subdivision 11.

59.19 **Subd. 6. Tracking and information.** (a) The council must maintain separate financial
59.20 information on sales tax revenue that includes:

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

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

59.25 (i) specification of annual expenditures; and

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

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

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

ARTICLE 4

TRANSPORTATION FINANCE AND POLICY

Section 1. [4.076] ADVISORY COUNCIL ON TRAFFIC SAFETY.

Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "advisory council" means the Advisory Council on Traffic Safety established in this section.

Subd. 2. **Establishment.** (a) The Advisory Council on Traffic Safety is established to advise, consult with, assist in planning coordination, and make program recommendations to the commissioners of public safety, transportation, and health on the development and implementation of projects and programs intended to improve traffic safety on all Minnesota road systems.

(b) The advisory council serves as the lead for the state Toward Zero Deaths program.

Subd. 3. **Membership; chair.** (a) The advisory council consists of the following members:

(1) the chair, which is filled on a two-year rotating basis by a designee from:

(i) the Office of Traffic Safety in the Department of Public Safety;

(ii) the Office of Traffic Engineering in the Department of Transportation; and

(iii) the Injury and Violence Prevention Section in the Department of Health;

(2) two vice chairs, which must be filled by the two designees who are not currently serving as chair of the advisory council under clause (1);

(3) the statewide Toward Zero Deaths coordinator;

(4) a regional coordinator from the Toward Zero Deaths program;

(5) the chief of the State Patrol or a designee;

(6) the state traffic safety engineer in the Department of Transportation or a designee;

(7) a law enforcement liaison from the Department of Public Safety;

(8) a representative from the Department of Human Services;

(9) a representative from the Department of Education;

(10) a representative from the Council on Disability;

(11) a representative for Tribal governments;

61.1 (12) a representative from the Center for Transportation Studies at the University of
61.2 Minnesota;

61.3 (13) a representative from the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association;

61.4 (14) a representative from the Minnesota Sheriffs' Association;

61.5 (15) a representative from the Minnesota Safety Council;

61.6 (16) a representative from AAA Minnesota;

61.7 (17) a representative from the Minnesota Trucking Association;

61.8 (18) a representative from the Insurance Federation of Minnesota;

61.9 (19) a representative from the Association of Minnesota Counties;

61.10 (20) a representative from the League of Minnesota Cities;

61.11 (21) the American Bar Association State Judicial Outreach Liaison;

61.12 (22) a representative from the City Engineers Association of Minnesota;

61.13 (23) a representative from the Minnesota County Engineers Association;

61.14 (24) a representative from the Bicycle Alliance of Minnesota;

61.15 (25) two individuals representing vulnerable road users, including pedestrians, bicyclists,
61.16 and other operators of a personal conveyance;

61.17 (26) a representative from Minnesota Operation Lifesaver;

61.18 (27) a representative from the State Trauma Advisory Council;

61.19 (28) a person representing metropolitan planning organizations; and

61.20 (29) a person representing contractors engaged in construction and maintenance of
61.21 highways and other infrastructure.

61.22 (b) The commissioners of public safety and transportation must jointly appoint the
61.23 advisory council members under paragraph (a), clauses (11), (25), and (28) to (29).

61.24 Subd. 4. **Duties.** The advisory council must:

61.25 (1) advise the governor and heads of state departments and agencies on policies, programs,
61.26 and services affecting traffic safety;

61.27 (2) advise the appropriate representatives of state departments on the activities of the
61.28 Toward Zero Deaths program, including but not limited to educating the public about traffic
61.29 safety;

62.1 (3) encourage state departments and other agencies to conduct needed research in the
62.2 field of traffic safety;

62.3 (4) review recommendations of the subcommittees and working groups;

62.4 (5) review and comment on all grants dealing with traffic safety and on the development
62.5 and implementation of state and local traffic safety plans; and

62.6 (6) make recommendations on safe road zone safety measures under section 169.065.

62.7 Subd. 5. **Administration.** (a) The Office of Traffic Safety in the Department of Public
62.8 Safety, in cooperation with the Departments of Transportation and Health, must serve as
62.9 the host agency for the advisory council and must manage the administrative and operational
62.10 aspects of the advisory council's activities. The commissioner of public safety must perform
62.11 financial management on behalf of the council.

62.12 (b) The advisory council must meet no less than four times per year, or more frequently
62.13 as determined by the chair, a vice chair, or a majority of the council members.

62.14 (c) The chair must regularly report to the respective commissioners on the activities of
62.15 the advisory council and on the state of traffic safety in Minnesota.

62.16 (d) The terms, compensation, and appointment of members are governed by section
62.17 15.059.

62.18 (e) The advisory council may appoint subcommittees and working groups. Subcommittees
62.19 must consist of council members. Working groups may include nonmembers. Nonmembers
62.20 on working groups must be compensated pursuant to section 15.059, subdivision 3, only
62.21 for expenses incurred for working group activities.

62.22 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 13.69, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

62.23 Subdivision 1. **Classifications.** (a) The following government data of the Department
62.24 of Public Safety are private data:

62.25 (1) medical data on driving instructors, licensed drivers, and applicants for parking
62.26 certificates and special license plates issued to physically disabled persons;

62.27 (2) other data on holders of a disability certificate under section 169.345, except that (i)
62.28 data that are not medical data may be released to law enforcement agencies, and (ii) data
62.29 necessary for enforcement of sections 169.345 and 169.346 may be released to parking
62.30 enforcement employees or parking enforcement agents of statutory or home rule charter
62.31 cities and towns;

63.1 (3) Social Security numbers in driver's license and motor vehicle registration records,
63.2 except that Social Security numbers must be provided to the Department of Revenue for
63.3 purposes of tax administration, the Department of Labor and Industry for purposes of
63.4 workers' compensation administration and enforcement, the judicial branch for purposes of
63.5 debt collection, and the Department of Natural Resources for purposes of license application
63.6 administration, and except that the last four digits of the Social Security number must be
63.7 provided to the Department of Human Services for purposes of recovery of Minnesota health
63.8 care program benefits paid; ~~and~~

63.9 (4) data on persons listed as standby or temporary custodians under section 171.07,
63.10 subdivision 11, except that the data must be released to:

63.11 (i) law enforcement agencies for the purpose of verifying that an individual is a designated
63.12 caregiver; or

63.13 (ii) law enforcement agencies who state that the license holder is unable to communicate
63.14 at that time and that the information is necessary for notifying the designated caregiver of
63.15 the need to care for a child of the license holder; and

63.16 (5) race and ethnicity data on driver's license holders and identification card holders
63.17 under section 171.06, subdivision 3. The Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic
63.18 Safety is authorized to receive race and ethnicity data from Driver and Vehicle Services for
63.19 only the purposes of research, evaluation, and public reports.

63.20 The department may release the Social Security number only as provided in clause (3)
63.21 and must not sell or otherwise provide individual Social Security numbers or lists of Social
63.22 Security numbers for any other purpose.

63.23 (b) The following government data of the Department of Public Safety are confidential
63.24 data: data concerning an individual's driving ability when that data is received from a member
63.25 of the individual's family.

63.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for driver's license and identification
63.27 card applications received on or after January 1, 2024.

63.28 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 43A.17, is amended by adding a subdivision to
63.29 read:

63.30 Subd. 13. **Compensation for law enforcement officers.** (a) For purposes of this
63.31 subdivision, the term "law enforcement officers" means Minnesota State Patrol troopers,
63.32 Bureau of Criminal Apprehension agents, special agents in the gambling enforcement

64.1 division of the Department of Public Safety, conservation officers, Department of Corrections
64.2 fugitive specialists, and Department of Commerce insurance fraud specialists.

64.3 (b) When the commissioner of management and budget negotiates a collective bargaining
64.4 agreement establishing compensation for law enforcement officers, the commissioner must
64.5 use compensation based on compensation data from the most recent salary and benefits
64.6 survey conducted pursuant to section 299D.03, subdivision 2a. It is the legislature's intent
64.7 that the information in this study be used to compare salaries between the identified police
64.8 departments and the State Patrol and to make appropriate increases to patrol trooper salaries.

64.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
64.10 final enactment and expires January 1, 2032. This section applies to contracts entered into
64.11 on or after the effective date but before January 1, 2032.

64.12 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 151.37, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

64.13 Subd. 12. **Administration of opiate antagonists for drug overdose.** (a) A licensed
64.14 physician, a licensed advanced practice registered nurse authorized to prescribe drugs
64.15 pursuant to section 148.235, or a licensed physician assistant may authorize the following
64.16 individuals to administer opiate antagonists, as defined in section 604A.04, subdivision 1:

64.17 (1) an emergency medical responder registered pursuant to section 144E.27;

64.18 (2) a peace officer as defined in section 626.84, subdivision 1, paragraphs (c) and (d);

64.19 (3) correctional employees of a state or local political subdivision;

64.20 (4) staff of community-based health disease prevention or social service programs;

64.21 (5) a volunteer firefighter; ~~and~~

64.22 (6) a licensed school nurse or certified public health nurse employed by, or under contract
64.23 with, a school board under section 121A.21; and

64.24 (7) TRIP personnel authorized under section 473.4075.

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

64.27 (1) the licensed physician, licensed physician assistant, or licensed advanced practice
64.28 registered nurse has issued a standing order to, or entered into a protocol with, the individual;
64.29 and

64.30 (2) the individual has training in the recognition of signs of opiate overdose and the use
64.31 of opiate antagonists as part of the emergency response to opiate overdose.

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

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

65.4 **Sec. 5. [160.2325] HIGHWAYS FOR HABITAT PROGRAM.**

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

65.7 (b) "Integrated roadside vegetation management" means an approach to right-of-way
65.8 maintenance that combines a variety of techniques based on sound ecological principles,
65.9 which establish and maintain safe, healthy, and functional roadsides. Integrated roadside
65.10 vegetation management includes but is not limited to judicious use of herbicides, spot
65.11 mowing, biological control, prescribed burning, mechanical tree and brush removal, erosion
65.12 prevention and treatment, and prevention and treatment of other right-of-way disturbances.

65.13 (c) "Program" means the highways for habitat program established in this section.

65.14 Subd. 2. **Program establishment.** The commissioner must establish a highways for
65.15 habitat program to enhance roadsides for pollinators and small wildlife.

65.16 Subd. 3. **Highways for habitat account.** A highways for habitat account is established
65.17 in the special revenue fund. The account consists of funds provided by law and any other
65.18 money donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account, including federal
65.19 funds. Money in the account must be expended only on a project that receives financial
65.20 assistance under this section.

65.21 Subd. 4. **Management standards.** (a) The commissioner, in consultation with native
65.22 habitat biologists and ecologists, must develop standards and best management practices
65.23 for integrated roadside vegetation management under the program.

65.24 (b) The standards and best management practices must include:

65.25 (1) guidance on seed and vegetation selection based on the Board of Water and Soil
65.26 Resources' native vegetation establishment and enhancement guidelines;

65.27 (2) requirements for roadside vegetation management protocols that avoid the use of
65.28 pollinator lethal insecticides as defined under section 18H.02, subdivision 28a;

65.29 (3) practices that are designed to avoid habitat destruction and protect nesting birds,
65.30 pollinators, and other wildlife, except as necessary to control noxious weeds as provided
65.31 under section 160.23; and

66.1 (4) identification of appropriate right-of-way tracts for wildflower and native habitat
 66.2 establishment.

66.3 Subd. 5. **Legislative report.** (a) By January 15 of each odd-numbered year, the
 66.4 commissioner must submit a performance report on the program to the chairs and ranking
 66.5 minority members of the legislative committees having jurisdiction over transportation
 66.6 policy and finance. At a minimum, the report must include:

66.7 (1) information that details the department's progress on implementing the highways for
 66.8 habitat program;

66.9 (2) a fiscal review that identifies expenditures under the program; and

66.10 (3) an investment plan for each district of the department for the next biennium.

66.11 (b) The performance report must be reviewed by the department's chief engineer.

66.12 (c) This subdivision expires December 31, 2033.

66.13 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

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

66.16 ~~(1)~~ (b) "Beyond the project limits" means any point that is located:

66.17 ~~(i)~~ (1) outside of the project limits;

66.18 ~~(ii)~~ (2) along the same trunk highway; and

66.19 ~~(iii)~~ (3) within the same region of the state;

66.20 ~~(2)~~ (c) "City" means a statutory or home rule charter city;

66.21 (d) "Department" means the Department of Transportation.

66.22 ~~(3)~~ (e) "Program" means the corridors of commerce program established in this section;
 66.23 and.

66.24 ~~(4)~~ (f) "Project limits" means the estimated construction limits of a project for trunk
 66.25 highway construction, reconstruction, or maintenance, that is a candidate for selection under
 66.26 the corridors of commerce program.

66.27 (g) "Screening entity" means an area transportation partnership, the Metropolitan Council
 66.28 in consultation with the Transportation Advisory Board under section 473.146, subdivision
 66.29 4, or a specified county.

67.1 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

67.2 Subd. 2. **Program authority; funding.** (a) As provided in this section, the commissioner
67.3 ~~shall~~ must establish a corridors of commerce program for trunk highway construction,
67.4 reconstruction, and improvement, including maintenance operations, that improves commerce
67.5 in the state.

67.6 (b) The commissioner may expend funds under the program from appropriations to the
67.7 commissioner that are:

67.8 (1) made specifically by law for use under this section;

67.9 (2) at the discretion of the commissioner, made for the budget activities in the state roads
67.10 program of operations and maintenance, program planning and delivery, or state road
67.11 construction; and

67.12 (3) made for the corridor investment management strategy program, unless specified
67.13 otherwise.

67.14 (c) The commissioner ~~shall~~ must include in the program the cost participation policy
67.15 for local units of government.

67.16 (d) The commissioner may use up to 17 percent of any appropriation ~~to the program~~
67.17 under this section for program delivery and for project scoring, ranking, and selection under
67.18 subdivision 5.

67.19 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

67.20 Subd. 4. **Project eligibility.** (a) The eligibility requirements for projects that can be
67.21 funded under the program are:

67.22 (1) consistency with the statewide multimodal transportation plan under section 174.03;

67.23 (2) location of the project on ~~an interregional corridor~~ the national highway system, as
67.24 provided under Code of Federal Regulations, title 23, part 470, and successor requirements,
67.25 for a project located outside of the Department of Transportation metropolitan district;

67.26 (3) placement into at least one project classification under subdivision 3;

67.27 (4) project construction work will commence within ~~three~~ four years, ~~or a longer length~~
67.28 ~~of time as determined by the commissioner~~ except for readiness development projects funded
67.29 under subdivision 4b; and

68.1 (5) for each type of project classification under subdivision 3, a maximum allowable
68.2 amount for the total project cost estimate, as determined by the commissioner with available
68.3 data; and

68.4 (6) determination of a total project cost estimate with a reasonable degree of accuracy,
68.5 except for readiness development projects funded under subdivision 4b.

68.6 (b) A project whose construction is programmed in the state transportation improvement
68.7 program is not eligible for funding under the program. This paragraph does not apply to a
68.8 project that is programmed as result of selection under this section.

68.9 (c) A project may be, but is not required to be, identified in the 20-year state highway
68.10 investment plan under section 174.03.

68.11 (d) For each project, the commissioner must consider all of the eligibility requirements
68.12 under paragraph (a). The commissioner is prohibited from considering any eligibility
68.13 requirement not specified under paragraph (a).

68.14 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, is amended by adding a subdivision to
68.15 read:

68.16 Subd. 4a. **Project funding; regional balance.** (a) To ensure regional balance throughout
68.17 the state, the commissioner must distribute all available funds under the program within the
68.18 following funding categories:

68.19 (1) Metro Projects: at least 30 percent and no more than 35 percent of the funds are for
68.20 projects that are located within, on, or directly adjacent to an area bounded by marked
68.21 Interstate Highways 494 and 694;

68.22 (2) Metro Connector Projects: at least 30 percent and no more than 35 percent of the
68.23 funds are for projects that:

68.24 (i) are not included in clause (1); and

68.25 (ii) are located within the department's metropolitan district or within 40 miles of marked
68.26 Interstate Highway 494 or marked Interstate Highway 694; and

68.27 (3) Regional Center Projects: at least 30 percent of the funds are for projects that are not
68.28 included in clause (1) or (2).

68.29 (b) The commissioner must calculate the percentages under paragraph (a) using total
68.30 funds under the program over the current and prior two consecutive project selection rounds.
68.31 The calculations must include readiness development projects funded under subdivision
68.32 4b.

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

69.2 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, is amended by adding a subdivision
69.3 to read:

69.4 Subd. 4b. **Project funding; readiness development.** (a) The commissioner may allocate
69.5 up to ten percent of funds available in each fiscal year for the following readiness
69.6 advancement activities on a project: planning, scoping, predesign, preliminary engineering,
69.7 and environmental analysis.

69.8 (b) Funds under this subdivision are for project development sufficient to: (1) meet the
69.9 eligibility requirements under subdivision 4, paragraph (a), clauses (4) and (6); and (2)
69.10 provide for the scoring assessment under subdivision 5.

69.11 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.088, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

69.12 Subd. 5. **Project selection process; criteria.** (a) The commissioner must establish a
69.13 process to identify, evaluate, and select projects under the program. The process must be
69.14 consistent with the requirements of this subdivision and must not include any additional
69.15 evaluation scoring criteria. The process must include phases as provided in this subdivision.

69.16 (b) ~~As part of the project selection process, the commissioner must annually accept~~
69.17 ~~recommendations on candidate projects from area transportation partnerships and other~~
69.18 ~~interested stakeholders in each Department of Transportation district. The commissioner~~
69.19 ~~must determine the eligibility for each candidate project identified under this paragraph.~~
69.20 ~~For each eligible project, the commissioner must classify and evaluate the project for the~~
69.21 ~~program, using all of the criteria established under paragraph (c).~~ **Phase 1: Project**
69.22 **solicitation.** Following enactment of each law that makes additional funds available for the
69.23 program, the commissioner must undertake a public solicitation of potential projects for
69.24 consideration. The solicitation must be performed through an Internet recommendation
69.25 process that allows for an interested party, including an individual, business, local unit of
69.26 government, corridor group, or interest group, to submit a project for consideration.

69.27 (c) **Phase 2: Local screening and recommendations.** The commissioner must present
69.28 the projects submitted during the open solicitation under Phase 1 to the appropriate screening
69.29 entity where each project is located. A screening entity must:

69.30 (1) consider all of the submitted projects for its area;

69.31 (2) solicit input from members of the legislature who represent the area, for project
69.32 review and nonbinding approval or disapproval; and

70.1 (3) recommend projects to the commissioner for formal scoring, as provided in Phase
70.2 3.

70.3 (d) Each screening entity may recommend: (1) up to three projects to the commissioner,
70.4 except that (i) the Metropolitan Council may recommend up to four projects, and (ii) each
70.5 of the following counties may independently recommend up to two projects: Anoka, Carver,
70.6 Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Isanti, Ramsey, Scott, Sherburne, Washington, and Wright;
70.7 and (2) up to two additional projects to the commissioner for readiness development funding
70.8 under subdivision 4b. A screening entity may recommend a replacement project for one
70.9 that the commissioner determines is ineligible under subdivision 4. Each recommendation
70.10 must identify any approvals or disapprovals provided by a member of the legislature.

70.11 (e) **Phase 3: Project scoring.** The commissioner must confirm project eligibility under
70.12 subdivision 4 and perform a complete scoring assessment on each of the eligible projects
70.13 recommended by the screening entities under Phase 2.

70.14 (f) Projects must be ~~evaluated~~ scored using all of the following criteria:

70.15 (1) a return on investment measure that provides for comparison across eligible projects;

70.16 (2) measurable impacts on commerce and economic competitiveness;

70.17 (3) efficiency in the movement of freight, including but not limited to:

70.18 (i) measures of annual average daily traffic and commercial vehicle miles traveled, which
70.19 may include data near the project location on that trunk highway or on connecting trunk
70.20 and local highways; and

70.21 (ii) measures of congestion or travel time reliability, which may be within or near the
70.22 project limits, or both;

70.23 (4) improvements to traffic safety;

70.24 (5) connections to regional trade centers, local highway systems, and other transportation
70.25 modes;

70.26 (6) the extent to which the project addresses multiple transportation system policy
70.27 objectives and principles;

70.28 (7) support and consensus for the project among members of the surrounding community;
70.29 and

70.30 (8) the time and work needed before construction may begin on the project; ~~and~~

70.31 ~~(9) regional balance throughout the state.~~

71.1 The commissioner must give the criteria in clauses (1) to (8) equal weight in the selection
 71.2 scoring process. The commissioner may establish an alternative scoring assessment method
 71.3 for readiness development projects funded under subdivision 4b, which, to the extent
 71.4 practicable, must use the criteria specified in this paragraph.

71.5 ~~(d) The list of all projects evaluated must be made public and must include the score of~~
 71.6 ~~each project.~~

71.7 ~~(e) As part of the project selection process, the commissioner may divide funding to be~~
 71.8 ~~separately available among projects within each classification under subdivision 3, and may~~
 71.9 ~~apply separate or modified criteria among those projects falling within each classification.~~

71.10 (g) Phase 4: Project ranking and selection. On completion of project scoring under
 71.11 Phase 3, the commissioner must develop a ranked list of projects based on total score, and
 71.12 must select projects in rank order for funding under the program, subject to subdivisions
 71.13 4a and 4b. The commissioner must specify the amounts and known or anticipated sources
 71.14 of funding for each selected project.

71.15 (h) Phase 5: Public information. The commissioner must publish information regarding
 71.16 the selection process on the department's website. The information must include:

71.17 (1) lists of all projects submitted for consideration and all projects recommended by the
 71.18 screening entities;

71.19 (2) the scores and ranking for each project; and

71.20 (3) an overview of each selected project, with amounts and sources of funding.

71.21 **Sec. 12. [161.178] TRANSPORTATION GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACT**
 71.22 **ASSESSMENT.**

71.23 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have
 71.24 the meanings given.

71.25 (b) "Assessment" means the capacity expansion impact assessment under this section.

71.26 (c) "Capacity expansion project" means a project for trunk highway construction or
 71.27 reconstruction that:

71.28 (1) is a major highway project, as defined in section 174.56, subdivision 1, paragraph

71.29 (b); and

71.30 (2) adds highway traffic capacity or provides for grade separation at an intersection,
 71.31 excluding auxiliary lanes with a length of less than 2,500 feet.

72.1 (d) "Greenhouse gas emissions" includes those emissions described in section 216H.01,
72.2 subdivision 2.

72.3 Subd. 2. **Project assessment.** (a) Prior to advertising a capacity expansion project for
72.4 bids, the commissioner must perform a capacity expansion impact assessment of the project.
72.5 Following the assessment, the commissioner must determine if the project conforms with:

72.6 (1) the greenhouse gas emissions reduction benchmarks under section 174.01, subdivision
72.7 3; and

72.8 (2) the vehicle miles traveled reduction targets established in the statewide multimodal
72.9 transportation plan under section 174.03, subdivision 1a.

72.10 (b) If the commissioner determines that the capacity expansion project is not in
72.11 conformance with paragraph (a), the commissioner must:

72.12 (1) alter the scope or design of the project and perform a revised assessment that meets
72.13 the requirements under this section;

72.14 (2) interlink sufficient impact mitigation as provided in subdivision 4; or

72.15 (3) halt project development and disallow advertising the project for bids.

72.16 Subd. 3. **Assessment requirements.** (a) The commissioner must establish a process to
72.17 perform capacity expansion impact assessments. An assessment must provide for the
72.18 determination under subdivision 2.

72.19 (b) Analysis under an assessment must include but is not limited to estimates resulting
72.20 from the project for the following:

72.21 (1) greenhouse gas emissions over a period of 20 years; and

72.22 (2) a change in vehicle miles traveled for the trunk highway segment and in other
72.23 impacted areas within the state.

72.24 Subd. 4. **Impact mitigation.** (a) To provide for impact mitigation, the commissioner
72.25 must interlink the capacity expansion project as provided in this subdivision.

72.26 (b) Impact mitigation is sufficient under subdivision 2, paragraph (b), if the capacity
72.27 expansion project is interlinked to mitigation actions such that the total greenhouse gas
72.28 emissions reduction from the mitigation actions, after accounting for the greenhouse gas
72.29 emissions otherwise resulting from the capacity expansion project, is consistent with meeting
72.30 the benchmarks and targets specified under subdivision 2, paragraph (a). Each comparison
72.31 under this paragraph must be performed over equal comparison periods.

73.1 (c) A mitigation action consists of a project, program, or operations modification in one
73.2 or more of the following areas:

73.3 (1) transit expansion, including but not limited to regular route bus, arterial bus rapid
73.4 transit, highway bus rapid transit, rail transit, and intercity passenger rail;

73.5 (2) transit service improvements, including but not limited to increased service level,
73.6 transit fare reduction, and transit priority treatments;

73.7 (3) active transportation infrastructure;

73.8 (4) micromobility infrastructure and service, including but not limited to shared vehicle
73.9 services;

73.10 (5) transportation demand management, including but not limited to vanpool and shared
73.11 vehicle programs, remote work, and broadband access expansion;

73.12 (6) parking management, including but not limited to parking requirements reduction
73.13 or elimination and parking cost adjustments; and

73.14 (7) land use, including but not limited to residential and other density increases, mixed-use
73.15 development, and transit-oriented development.

73.16 (d) A mitigation action may be identified as interlinked to the capacity expansion project
73.17 if:

73.18 (1) there is a specified project, program, or modification;

73.19 (2) the necessary funding sources are identified and sufficient amounts are committed;

73.20 (3) the mitigation is localized as provided in subdivision 5; and

73.21 (4) procedures are established to ensure that the mitigation action remains in substantially
73.22 the same form or a revised form that continues to meet the calculation under paragraph (b).

73.23 Subd. 5. **Impact mitigation; localization.** (a) The area or corridor of a mitigation action
73.24 under subdivision 4 must be localized in the following priority order:

73.25 (1) within or associated with at least one of the communities impacted by the capacity
73.26 expansion project;

73.27 (2) if there is not a reasonably feasible location under clause (1), in areas of persistent
73.28 poverty or historically disadvantaged communities, as measured and defined in federal law,
73.29 guidance, and notices of funding opportunity;

73.30 (3) if there is not a reasonably feasible location under clauses (1) and (2), in the region
73.31 of the capacity expansion project; or

74.1 (4) if there is not a reasonably feasible location under clauses (1) to (3), on a statewide
74.2 basis.

74.3 (b) The commissioner must include an explanation regarding the feasibility and rationale
74.4 for each mitigation action located under paragraph (a), clauses (2) to (4).

74.5 Subd. 6. **Public information.** The commissioner must publish information regarding
74.6 capacity expansion impact assessments on the department's website. The information must
74.7 include:

74.8 (1) identification of capacity expansion projects; and

74.9 (2) for each project, a summary that includes an overview of the expansion impact
74.10 assessment, the impact determination by the commissioner, and project disposition, including
74.11 a review of any mitigation actions.

74.12 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective February 1, 2025.

74.13 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.45, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

74.14 Subdivision 1. **Rules.** (a) Electric transmission, telephone, or telegraph lines; pole lines;
74.15 community antenna television lines; railways; ditches; sewers; water, heat, or gas mains;
74.16 gas and other pipelines; flumes; or other structures which, under the laws of this state or
74.17 the ordinance of any city, may be constructed, placed, or maintained across or along any
74.18 trunk highway, or the roadway thereof, by any person, persons, corporation, or any
74.19 subdivision of the state, may be so maintained or hereafter constructed only in accordance
74.20 with such rules as may be prescribed by the commissioner who shall have power to prescribe
74.21 and enforce reasonable rules with reference to the placing and maintaining along, across,
74.22 or in any such trunk highway of any of the utilities hereinbefore set forth.

74.23 (b) The rules under paragraph (a) must not prohibit an entity that has a right to use the
74.24 public road right-of-way pursuant to section 222.37, subdivision 1, and that has a power
74.25 purchase agreement or an agreement to transfer ownership with a Minnesota utility that
74.26 directly, or through its members or agents, provides retail electric service in the state from
74.27 placing and maintaining electric transmission lines along, across, or in any trunk highway
74.28 except as necessary to protect public safety. Nothing herein shall restrict the actions of
74.29 public authorities in extraordinary emergencies nor restrict the power and authority of the
74.30 commissioner of commerce as provided for in other provisions of law. Provided, however,
74.31 that in the event any local subdivision of government has enacted ordinances relating to the
74.32 method of installation or requiring underground installation of such community antenna

75.1 television lines, the permit granted by the commissioner of transportation shall require
75.2 compliance with such local ordinance.

75.3 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.45, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

75.4 Subd. 2. **Relocation of utility.** Whenever the relocation of any utility facility is
75.5 necessitated by the construction of a project on a trunk highway route other than those
75.6 described in section 161.46, subdivision 2 route, the relocation work may be made a part
75.7 of the state highway construction contract or let as a separate contract as provided by law
75.8 if the owner or operator of the facility requests the commissioner to act as its agent for the
75.9 purpose of relocating the facilities and if the commissioner determines that such action is
75.10 in the best interests of the state. Payment by the utility owner or operator to the state shall
75.11 be in accordance with applicable statutes and the rules for utilities on trunk highways.

75.12 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 161.46, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

75.13 Subd. 2. **Relocation of facilities; reimbursement.** (a) Whenever the commissioner shall
75.14 determine the relocation of any utility facility is necessitated by the construction of a project
75.15 on the routes of federally aided state trunk highways, including urban extensions thereof,
75.16 which routes are included within the National System of Interstate Highways, the owner or
75.17 operator of such utility facility shall relocate the same in accordance with the order of the
75.18 commissioner. After the completion of such relocation the cost thereof shall be ascertained
75.19 and paid by the state out of trunk highway funds; provided, however, the amount to be paid
75.20 by the state for such reimbursement shall not exceed the amount on which the federal
75.21 government bases its reimbursement for said interstate system.

75.22 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), on or after January 1, 2024, any entity that receives
75.23 a route permit under chapter 216E for a high-voltage transmission line necessary to
75.24 interconnect an electric power generating facility is not eligible for relocation reimbursement
75.25 unless the entity directly, or through its members or agents, provides retail electric service
75.26 in this state.

75.27 Sec. 16. **[168.1287] MINNESOTA BLACKOUT SPECIAL PLATES.**

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

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

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

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

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

76.5 (5) contributes a minimum of \$30 annually to the driver and vehicle services account;

76.6 and

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

76.9 Subd. 2. **Design.** The commissioner must adopt a suitable plate design that includes a
76.10 black background with white text.

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

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

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

76.16 Subd. 4. **Exemption.** Special plates issued under this section are not subject to section
76.17 168.1293, subdivision 2.

76.18 Subd. 5. **Contributions; account.** Contributions collected under subdivision 1, clause
76.19 (5), must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services account under section 299A.705.

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

76.22 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.326, is amended to read:

76.23 **168.326 EXPEDITED DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES; FEE.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

77.16 Sec. 18. [169.065] SAFE ROAD ZONES.

77.17 Subdivision 1. Definition. For purposes of this section, "local request" means a formal
77.18 request collectively submitted by the chief law enforcement officer of a political subdivision,
77.19 the lead traffic engineer for the local road authority, and the chief elected executive officer
77.20 of a political subdivision.

77.21 Subd. 2. Establishment. (a) The commissioner may designate a safe road zone as
77.22 provided in this section.

77.23 (b) Upon receipt of a local request, the commissioner, in consultation with the
77.24 commissioner of public safety, must consider designating a segment of a street or highway
77.25 as a safe road zone. In determining the designation of a safe road zone, the commissioner
77.26 must evaluate traffic safety concerns for the street or highway, including but not limited to:
77.27 excessive speed; crash history; safety of pedestrians, bicyclists, or other vulnerable road
77.28 users; intersection risks; and roadway design.

77.29 Subd. 3. Implementation. The Advisory Council on Traffic Safety under section 4.076
77.30 must make recommendations to the commissioners of public safety and transportation on
77.31 supporting the local authority with implementation of safety measures for each safe road
77.32 zone through education, public awareness, behavior modification, and traffic engineering
77.33 efforts. Safety measures for a safe road zone may include:

- 78.1 (1) providing safe road zone signs to the local authority for use in the zone;
- 78.2 (2) consulting with the local authority on roadway design modifications to improve
- 78.3 safety;
- 78.4 (3) performing statewide safe road zone public awareness and educational outreach;
- 78.5 (4) providing safe road zone outreach materials to the local authority for distribution to
- 78.6 the general public;
- 78.7 (5) working with the local authority to enhance safety conditions in the zone;
- 78.8 (6) establishing a speed limit as provided under section 169.14, subdivision 5i, with
- 78.9 supporting speed enforcement and education measures; and
- 78.10 (7) evaluating the impacts of safety measures in the zone on: crashes; injuries and
- 78.11 fatalities; property damage; transportation system disruptions; safety for vulnerable roadway
- 78.12 users, including pedestrians and bicyclists; and other measures as identified by the
- 78.13 commissioner.

78.14 Subd. 4. **Traffic enforcement.** The commissioner of public safety must coordinate with

78.15 local law enforcement agencies to determine implementation of enhanced traffic enforcement

78.16 in a safe road zone designated under this section.

78.17 Subd. 5. **Program information.** The commissioner of transportation must maintain

78.18 information on a website that summarizes safe road zone implementation, including but not

78.19 limited to identification of requests for and designations of safe road zones, an overview of

78.20 safety measures and traffic enforcement activity, and a review of annual expenditures.

78.21 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.14, is amended by adding a subdivision to

78.22 read:

78.23 Subd. 5i. **Speed limits in safe road zone.** (a) Upon request by the local authority, the

78.24 commissioner may establish a temporary or permanent speed limit in a safe road zone

78.25 designated under section 169.065, other than the limits provided in subdivision 2, based on

78.26 an engineering and traffic investigation.

78.27 (b) The speed limit under this subdivision is effective upon the erection of appropriate

78.28 signs designating the speed and indicating the beginning and end of the segment on which

78.29 the speed limit is established. Any speed in excess of the posted limit is unlawful.

79.1 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.345, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

79.2 Subd. 2. **Definitions.** (a) For the purpose of section 168.021 and this section, the following
79.3 terms have the meanings given them in this subdivision.

79.4 (b) "Health professional" means a licensed physician, licensed physician assistant,
79.5 advanced practice registered nurse, licensed physical therapist, or licensed chiropractor.

79.6 (c) "Long-term certificate" means a certificate issued for a period greater than 12 months
79.7 but not greater than 71 months.

79.8 (d) "Organization certificate" means a certificate issued to an entity other than a natural
79.9 person for a period of three years.

79.10 (e) "Permit" refers to a permit that is issued for a period of 30 days, in lieu of the
79.11 certificate referred to in subdivision 3, while the application is being processed.

79.12 (f) "Physically disabled person" means a person who:

79.13 (1) because of disability cannot walk without significant risk of falling;

79.14 (2) because of disability cannot walk 200 feet without stopping to rest;

79.15 (3) because of disability cannot walk without the aid of another person, a walker, a cane,
79.16 crutches, braces, a prosthetic device, or a wheelchair;

79.17 (4) is restricted by a respiratory disease to such an extent that the person's forced
79.18 (respiratory) expiratory volume for one second, when measured by spirometry, is less than
79.19 one liter;

79.20 (5) has an arterial oxygen tension (PaO_2) of less than 60 mm/Hg on room air at rest;

79.21 (6) uses portable oxygen;

79.22 (7) has a cardiac condition to the extent that the person's functional limitations are
79.23 classified in severity as class III or class IV according to standards set by the American
79.24 Heart Association;

79.25 (8) has lost an arm or a leg and does not have or cannot use an artificial limb; ~~or~~

79.26 (9) has a disability that would be aggravated by walking 200 feet under normal
79.27 environmental conditions to an extent that would be life threatening; or

79.28 (10) is legally blind.

79.29 (g) "Short-term certificate" means a certificate issued for a period greater than six months
79.30 but not greater than 12 months.

80.1 (h) "Six-year certificate" means a certificate issued for a period of six years.

80.2 (i) "Temporary certificate" means a certificate issued for a period not greater than six
80.3 months.

80.4 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.475, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

80.5 Subd. 2. **Prohibition on use; penalty.** (a) Except as provided in subdivision 3, when a
80.6 motor vehicle is in motion or a part of traffic, the person operating the vehicle upon a street
80.7 or highway is prohibited from:

80.8 (1) holding a wireless communications device with one or both hands; or

80.9 (2) using a wireless communications device to:

80.10 ~~(1)~~ (i) initiate, compose, send, retrieve, or read an electronic message;

80.11 ~~(2)~~ (ii) engage in a cellular phone call, including initiating a call, talking or listening,
80.12 and participating in video calling; and

80.13 ~~(3)~~ (iii) access the following types of content stored on the device: video content, audio
80.14 content, images, games, or software applications.

80.15 (b) A person who violates paragraph (a) a second or subsequent time must pay a fine of
80.16 \$275.

80.17 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.475, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

80.18 Subd. 3. **Exceptions.** (a) The prohibitions in subdivision 2 do not apply if a person uses
80.19 a wireless communications device:

80.20 (1) solely in a voice-activated or hands-free mode to (i) initiate or participate in a cellular
80.21 phone call, provided that the person does not hold the device with one or both hands; or to
80.22 (ii) initiate, compose, send, or listen to an electronic message;

80.23 (2) to view or operate a global positioning system or navigation system in a manner that
80.24 does not require the driver to type while the vehicle is in motion or a part of traffic, provided
80.25 that the person does not hold the device with one or both hands;

80.26 (3) to listen to audio-based content in a manner that does not require the driver to scroll
80.27 or type while the vehicle is in motion or a part of traffic, provided that the person does not
80.28 hold the device with one or both hands;

80.29 (4) to obtain emergency assistance to (i) report a traffic accident, medical emergency,
80.30 or serious traffic hazard, or (ii) prevent a crime about to be committed;

81.1 (5) in the reasonable belief that a person's life or safety is in immediate danger; or

81.2 (6) in an authorized emergency vehicle while in the performance of official duties.

81.3 (b) The exception in paragraph (a), clause (1), does not apply to accessing nonnavigation
 81.4 video content, engaging in video calling, engaging in live-streaming, accessing gaming
 81.5 data, or reading electronic messages.

81.6 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.06, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

81.7 Subd. 2. **Fees.** (a) The fees for a license and Minnesota identification card are as follows:

81.8	REAL ID Compliant or				
81.9	Noncompliant Classified	D- \$21.00	C- \$25.00	B- \$32.00	A- \$40.00
81.10	Driver's License	<u>\$27.75</u>	<u>\$31.75</u>	<u>\$38.75</u>	<u>\$46.75</u>
81.11	REAL ID Compliant or				
81.12	Noncompliant Classified	D- \$21.00	C- \$25.00	B- \$32.00	A- \$20.00
81.13	Under-21 D.L.	<u>\$27.75</u>	<u>\$31.75</u>	<u>\$38.75</u>	<u>\$26.75</u>
81.14		D- \$36.00	C- \$40.00	B- \$47.00	A- \$55.00
81.15	Enhanced Driver's License	<u>\$42.75</u>	<u>\$46.75</u>	<u>\$53.75</u>	<u>\$61.75</u>
81.16	REAL ID Compliant or				
81.17	Noncompliant Instruction				
81.18	Permit			\$5.25	<u>\$11.25</u>
81.19	Enhanced Instruction				<u>\$20.25</u>
81.20	Permit				<u>\$26.25</u>
81.21	Commercial Learner's				
81.22	Permit			\$2.50	<u>\$8.50</u>
81.23	REAL ID Compliant or				
81.24	Noncompliant Provisional				
81.25	License			\$8.25	<u>\$14.25</u>
81.26	Enhanced Provisional				<u>\$23.25</u>
81.27	License				<u>\$29.25</u>
81.28	Duplicate REAL ID				
81.29	Compliant or Noncompliant				
81.30	License or duplicate REAL				
81.31	ID Compliant or				
81.32	Noncompliant				
81.33	identification card			\$6.75	<u>\$12.75</u>
81.34	Enhanced Duplicate				
81.35	License or enhanced				<u>\$21.75</u>
81.36	duplicate identification card				<u>\$27.75</u>

82.1	REAL ID Compliant or	
82.2	Noncompliant Minnesota	
82.3	identification card or REAL	
82.4	ID Compliant or	
82.5	Noncompliant Under-21	
82.6	Minnesota identification	
82.7	card, other than duplicate,	
82.8	except as otherwise	
82.9	provided in section 171.07,	\$11.25
82.10	subdivisions 3 and 3a	<u>\$17.25</u>
82.11	Enhanced Minnesota	\$26.25
82.12	identification card	<u>\$32.25</u>

82.13 ~~From August 1, 2019, to June 30, 2022, The fee is increased by \$0.75 for REAL ID compliant~~
 82.14 ~~or noncompliant classified driver's licenses, REAL ID compliant or noncompliant classified~~
 82.15 ~~under-21 driver's licenses, and enhanced driver's licenses.~~

82.16 (b) In addition to each fee required in paragraph (a), the commissioner ~~shall~~ must collect
 82.17 a surcharge of \$2.25. Surcharges collected under this paragraph must be credited to the
 82.18 driver and vehicle services technology account under section 299A.705.

82.19 (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), an individual who holds a provisional license and
 82.20 has a driving record free of (1) convictions for a violation of section 169A.20, 169A.33,
 82.21 169A.35, sections 169A.50 to 169A.53, or section 171.177, (2) convictions for crash-related
 82.22 moving violations, and (3) convictions for moving violations that are not crash related, ~~shall~~
 82.23 ~~have~~ has a \$3.50 credit toward the fee for any classified under-21 driver's license. "Moving
 82.24 violation" has the meaning given it in section 171.04, subdivision 1.

82.25 (d) In addition to the driver's license fee required under paragraph (a), the commissioner
 82.26 ~~shall~~ must collect an additional \$4 processing fee from each new applicant or individual
 82.27 renewing a license with a school bus endorsement to cover the costs for processing an
 82.28 applicant's initial and biennial physical examination certificate. The department ~~shall~~ must
 82.29 not charge these applicants any other fee to receive or renew the endorsement.

82.30 (e) In addition to the fee required under paragraph (a), a driver's license agent may charge
 82.31 and retain a filing fee as provided under section 171.061, subdivision 4.

82.32 (f) In addition to the fee required under paragraph (a), the commissioner ~~shall~~ must
 82.33 charge a filing fee at the same amount as a driver's license agent under section 171.061,
 82.34 subdivision 4. Revenue collected under this paragraph must be deposited in the driver and
 82.35 vehicle services operating account under section 299A.705.

82.36 (g) An application for a Minnesota identification card, instruction permit, provisional
 82.37 license, or driver's license, including an application for renewal, must contain a provision

83.1 that allows the applicant to add to the fee under paragraph (a), a \$2 donation for the purposes
83.2 of public information and education on anatomical gifts under section 171.075.

83.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and applies to applications
83.4 made on or after that date.

83.5 Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.06, subdivision 3, as amended by Laws
83.6 2023, chapter 13, article 1, section 3, is amended to read:

83.7 Subd. 3. **Contents of application; other information.** (a) An application must:

83.8 (1) state the full name, date of birth, sex, and either (i) the residence address of the
83.9 applicant, or (ii) designated address under section 5B.05;

83.10 (2) as may be required by the commissioner, contain a description of the applicant and
83.11 any other facts pertaining to the applicant, the applicant's driving privileges, and the
83.12 applicant's ability to operate a motor vehicle with safety;

83.13 (3) state:

83.14 (i) the applicant's Social Security number; or

83.15 (ii) if the applicant does not have a Social Security number and is applying for a
83.16 Minnesota identification card, instruction permit, or class D provisional or driver's license,
83.17 that the applicant elects not to specify a Social Security number;

83.18 (4) contain a notification to the applicant of the availability of a living will/health care
83.19 directive designation on the license under section 171.07, subdivision 7; and

83.20 (5) include a method for the applicant to:

83.21 (i) request a veteran designation on the license under section 171.07, subdivision 15,
83.22 and the driving record under section 171.12, subdivision 5a;

83.23 (ii) indicate a desire to make an anatomical gift under subdivision 3b, paragraph (e);

83.24 (iii) as applicable, designate document retention as provided under section 171.12,
83.25 subdivision 3c; ~~and~~

83.26 (iv) indicate emergency contacts as provided under section 171.12, subdivision 5b; and

83.27 (v) indicate the applicant's race and ethnicity.

83.28 (b) Applications must be accompanied by satisfactory evidence demonstrating:

83.29 (1) identity, date of birth, and any legal name change if applicable; and

84.1 (2) for driver's licenses and Minnesota identification cards that meet all requirements of
84.2 the REAL ID Act:

84.3 (i) principal residence address in Minnesota, including application for a change of address,
84.4 unless the applicant provides a designated address under section 5B.05;

84.5 (ii) Social Security number, or related documentation as applicable; and

84.6 (iii) lawful status, as defined in Code of Federal Regulations, title 6, section 37.3.

84.7 (c) An application for an enhanced driver's license or enhanced identification card must
84.8 be accompanied by:

84.9 (1) satisfactory evidence demonstrating the applicant's full legal name and United States
84.10 citizenship; and

84.11 (2) a photographic identity document.

84.12 (d) A valid Department of Corrections or Federal Bureau of Prisons identification card
84.13 containing the applicant's full name, date of birth, and photograph issued to the applicant
84.14 is an acceptable form of proof of identity in an application for an identification card,
84.15 instruction permit, or driver's license as a secondary document for purposes of Minnesota
84.16 Rules, part 7410.0400, and successor rules.

84.17 (e) An application form must not provide for identification of (1) the accompanying
84.18 documents used by an applicant to demonstrate identity, or (2) except as provided in
84.19 paragraphs (b) and (c), the applicant's citizenship, immigration status, or lawful presence
84.20 in the United States. The commissioner and a driver's license agent must not inquire about
84.21 an applicant's citizenship, immigration status, or lawful presence in the United States, except
84.22 as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c).

84.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for driver's license and identification
84.24 card applications submitted on or after January 1, 2024.

84.25 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.06, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

84.26 Subd. 7. **Remote application.** (a) The commissioner must establish a process for an
84.27 eligible individual to apply remotely for a driver's license or Minnesota identification card,
84.28 whether through a website or other means, or a combination, as provided in this subdivision.

84.29 (b) The commissioner may issue or reinstate an expired driver's license or Minnesota
84.30 identification card and may renew a driver's license or Minnesota identification card for an
84.31 ~~eligible~~ eligible individual who does not apply in-person if:

85.1 (1) the applicant submits documentation to demonstrate eligibility, as prescribed by the
85.2 commissioner;

85.3 (2) there is not a material change to the applicant's name, date of birth, signature, and
85.4 driver's license or identification number since the most recent driver's license or Minnesota
85.5 identification card issuance;

85.6 (3) the application is not for a different type or class of driver's license or Minnesota
85.7 identification card, as identified in sections 171.019, subdivision 2, and 171.02, subdivision
85.8 2;

85.9 (4) one of the following requirements is met:

85.10 (i) the commissioner has a previous photograph of the applicant on file that was taken
85.11 within the last five years or in conjunction with the most recent issuance; or

85.12 (ii) for a noncompliant license or identification card, the applicant submits a photograph
85.13 that meets the requirements of sections 171.07 and 171.071, Minnesota Rules, part
85.14 7410.1810, subpart 1, and any other technical requirements established by the commissioner,
85.15 which may include but are not limited to background color, lighting and visibility standards,
85.16 and electronic file size;

85.17 (5) for a driver's license, the commissioner has a record that the applicant has undergone
85.18 an examination of the applicant's eyesight within the last ~~two~~ five years, or the applicant
85.19 submits a vision examination certificate that:

85.20 (i) has been completed within the last ~~two~~ five years;

85.21 (ii) is signed by a licensed physician or an optometrist, including one who holds a similar
85.22 license in a jurisdiction outside the United States; and

85.23 (iii) is in a form as prescribed by the commissioner;

85.24 (6) for an expired driver's license or Minnesota identification card:

85.25 (i) expiration was within the past five years;

85.26 (ii) expiration was due to driver's license or identification card issuance by another
85.27 jurisdiction; and

85.28 (iii) the application includes surrender or invalidation of a valid driver's license or
85.29 identification card issued by another jurisdiction; and

85.30 (7) the most recent issuance, reinstatement, or renewal was not performed under this
85.31 subdivision.

86.1 (c) A person who applies for a driver's license or Minnesota identification card under
86.2 this subdivision is not required to:

86.3 (1) take a knowledge examination; or

86.4 (2) take a road examination to demonstrate ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable
86.5 control in the operation of a motor vehicle; ~~and~~

86.6 ~~(3) appear in person for an updated photograph upon return to Minnesota.~~

86.7 ~~(d) For purposes of this subdivision, "eligible individual" means:~~

86.8 ~~(1) a person serving outside Minnesota in active military service, as defined in section~~
86.9 ~~190.05, subdivision 5, in any branch or unit of the armed forces of the United States;~~

86.10 ~~(2) a person serving outside Minnesota as a volunteer in the Peace Corps;~~

86.11 ~~(3) a person who is an employee of a federal department or agency who is assigned to~~
86.12 ~~foreign service outside of the United States; or~~

86.13 ~~(4) a person residing outside of Minnesota because the person is a spouse, domestic~~
86.14 ~~partner, or dependent under age 26 of a person in clause (1), (2), or (3).~~

86.15 (d) The remote application process under this subdivision must provide for renewal by
86.16 a person who is serving a sentence of longer than six months in a Minnesota jail or
86.17 correctional facility that has no existing agreement on renewals with the commissioner.

86.18 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.26, is amended to read:

86.19 **171.26 MONEY CREDITED TO FUNDS.**

86.20 Subdivision 1. **Driver and vehicle services operating account.** Unless otherwise
86.21 specified, all money received under this chapter must be paid into the state treasury and
86.22 credited to deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account in the special
86.23 revenue fund specified under sections section 299A.705, except as provided in subdivision
86.24 2 of that section; 171.06, subdivision 2a; 171.07, subdivision 11, paragraph (g); 171.20,
86.25 subdivision 4, paragraph (d); and 171.29, subdivision 2, paragraph (b).

86.26 Sec. 27. **[171.301] REINTEGRATION LICENSE.**

86.27 Subdivision 1. Conditions of issuance. (a) The commissioner may issue a reintegration
86.28 driver's license to any person:

86.29 (1) who is 18 years of age or older;

87.1 (2) who has been released from a period of at least 180 consecutive days of confinement
87.2 or incarceration in:

87.3 (i) an adult correctional facility under the control of the commissioner of corrections or
87.4 licensed by the commissioner of corrections under section 241.021;

87.5 (ii) a federal correctional facility for adults; or

87.6 (iii) an adult correctional facility operated under the control or supervision of any other
87.7 state; and

87.8 (3) whose license has been suspended or revoked under the circumstances listed in
87.9 section 171.30, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (4), for a violation that occurred
87.10 before the individual was incarcerated for the period described in clause (2).

87.11 (b) If the person's driver's license or permit to drive has been revoked under section
87.12 169.792 or 169.797, the commissioner may only issue a reintegration driver's license to the
87.13 person after the person has presented an insurance identification card, policy, or written
87.14 statement indicating that the driver or owner has insurance coverage satisfactory to the
87.15 commissioner.

87.16 (c) If the person's driver's license or permit to drive has been suspended under section
87.17 171.186, the commissioner may only issue a reintegration driver's license to the person after
87.18 the commissioner receives notice of a court order provided pursuant to section 518A.65,
87.19 paragraph (e), showing that the person's driver's license or operating privileges should no
87.20 longer be suspended.

87.21 (d) If the person's driver's license has been revoked under section 171.17, subdivision
87.22 1, paragraph (a), clause (1), the commissioner may only issue a reintegration driver's license
87.23 to the person after the person has completed the applicable revocation period.

87.24 (e) The commissioner must not issue a reintegration driver's license:

87.25 (1) to any person described in section 171.04, subdivision 1, clause (7), (8), (10), or
87.26 (11);

87.27 (2) to any person described in section 169A.55, subdivision 5;

87.28 (3) if the person has committed a violation after the person was released from custody
87.29 that results in the suspension, revocation, or cancellation of a driver's license, including
87.30 suspension for nonpayment of child support or maintenance payments as described in section
87.31 171.186, subdivision 1; or

88.1 (4) if the issuance would conflict with the requirements of the nonresident violator
88.2 compact.

88.3 (f) The commissioner must not issue a class A, class B, or class C reintegration driver's
88.4 license.

88.5 Subd. 2. **Application.** (a) Application for a reintegration driver's license must be made
88.6 in the form and manner approved by the commissioner.

88.7 (b) A person seeking a reintegration driver's license who was released from confinement
88.8 or incarceration on or after April 1, 2024, must apply for the license within one year of
88.9 release. A person seeking a reintegration driver's license who was released from confinement
88.10 or incarceration before April 1, 2024, must apply for the license by April 1, 2025.

88.11 Subd. 3. **Fees prohibited.** (a) For a reintegration driver's license under this section:

88.12 (1) the commissioner must not impose:

88.13 (i) a fee, surcharge, or filing fee under section 171.06, subdivision 2; or

88.14 (ii) an endorsement fee under section 171.06, subdivision 2a; and

88.15 (2) a driver's license agent must not impose a filing fee under section 171.061, subdivision
88.16 4.

88.17 (b) Issuance of a reintegration driver's license does not forgive or otherwise discharge
88.18 any unpaid fees or fines.

88.19 Subd. 4. **Cancellation of license.** (a) The commissioner must cancel the reintegration
88.20 driver's license of any person who commits a violation that would result in the suspension,
88.21 revocation, or cancellation of a driver's license, including suspension for nonpayment of
88.22 child support or maintenance payments as described in section 171.186, subdivision 1. The
88.23 commissioner must not cancel a reintegration driver's license for payment of a fine or
88.24 resolution of a criminal charge if the underlying incident occurred before the reintegration
88.25 driver's license was issued, unless the conviction would have made the person ineligible to
88.26 receive a reintegration driver's license. Except as described in paragraph (b), a person whose
88.27 reintegration driver's license is canceled under this subdivision may not be issued another
88.28 reintegration driver's license and may not operate a motor vehicle for the remainder of the
88.29 period of suspension or revocation or 30 days, whichever is longer.

88.30 (b) A person whose reintegration driver's license is canceled under paragraph (a) may
88.31 apply for a new reintegration driver's license if the person is incarcerated or confined for a

89.1 period of at least 180 consecutive days after the cancellation and the person meets the
89.2 conditions described in subdivision 1.

89.3 (c) Nothing in this section prohibits cancellation and reinstatement of a reintegration
89.4 driver's license for any other reason described in section 171.14 provided any factor making
89.5 the person not eligible for a driver's license under section 171.04 occurred or became known
89.6 to the commissioner after issuance of the reintegration driver's license.

89.7 Subd. 5. **Expiration.** A reintegration driver's license expires 15 months from the date
89.8 of issuance of the license. A reintegration driver's license may not be renewed.

89.9 Subd. 6. **Issuance of regular driver's license.** (a) Notwithstanding any statute or rule
89.10 to the contrary, the commissioner must issue a REAL ID-compliant or noncompliant license
89.11 to a person who possesses a reintegration driver's license if:

89.12 (1) the person has possessed the reintegration driver's license for at least one full year;

89.13 (2) the reintegration driver's license has not been canceled under subdivision 4 and has
89.14 not expired under subdivision 5;

89.15 (3) the person meets the application requirements under section 171.06, including payment
89.16 of the applicable fees, surcharge, and filing fee under sections 171.06, subdivisions 2 and
89.17 2a, and 171.061, subdivision 4; and

89.18 (4) issuance of the license does not conflict with the requirements of the nonresident
89.19 violator compact.

89.20 (b) The commissioner must forgive any outstanding balance due on a fee or surcharge
89.21 under section 171.29, subdivision 2, for a person who is eligible and applies for a license
89.22 under paragraph (a).

89.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective April 1, 2024.

89.24 Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 174.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to
89.25 read:

89.26 Subd. 3. **Greenhouse gas emissions benchmarks.** (a) In association with the goals
89.27 under subdivision 2, clauses (10) and (13) to (16), the commissioner of transportation must
89.28 establish benchmarks for the statewide greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal under
89.29 section 216H.02, subdivision 1.

89.30 (b) The benchmarks must include:

- 90.1 (1) establishment of proportional emissions reduction performance targets for the
90.2 transportation sector;
- 90.3 (2) specification of the performance targets on a five-year or more frequent basis; and
- 90.4 (3) allocation across the transportation sector, which:
- 90.5 (i) must provide for an allocation to the metropolitan area, as defined in section 473.121,
90.6 subdivision 2;
- 90.7 (ii) must account for differences in the feasibility and extent of emissions reductions
90.8 across forms of land use and across regions of the state; and
- 90.9 (iii) may include performance targets based on Department of Transportation district,
90.10 geographic region, a per capita calculation, or transportation mode.
- 90.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective February 1, 2025.

90.12 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 174.03, subdivision 1c, is amended to read:

90.13 Subd. 1c. **Minnesota state highway investment plan.** Within one year of each revision
90.14 of the statewide multimodal transportation plan under subdivision 1a, the commissioner
90.15 must prepare a 20-year Minnesota state highway investment plan that:

90.16 (1) incorporates performance measures and targets for assessing progress and achievement
90.17 of the state's transportation goals, objectives, and policies identified in this chapter for the
90.18 state trunk highway system, and those goals, objectives, and policies established in the
90.19 statewide multimodal transportation plan. Performance targets must be based on objectively
90.20 verifiable measures, and address, at a minimum:

90.21 (i) preservation and maintenance of the structural condition of state highway roadways,
90.22 bridges, pavements, roadside infrastructure, and traveler-related facilities;

90.23 (ii) safety; and

90.24 (iii) mobility;

90.25 (2) summarizes trends and impacts for each performance target over the past five years;

90.26 (3) summarizes the amount and analyzes the impact of the department's capital
90.27 investments and priorities over the past five years on each performance target, including a
90.28 comparison of prior plan projected costs with actual costs;

90.29 (4) identifies the investments required to meet the established performance targets over
90.30 the next 20-year period;

91.1 (5) projects available state and federal funding over the 20-year period, including any
91.2 unique, competitive, time-limited, or focused funding opportunities;

91.3 (6) identifies strategies to ensure the most efficient use of existing transportation
91.4 infrastructure, and to maximize the performance benefits of projected available funding;

91.5 (7) establishes investment priorities for projected funding, which must:

91.6 (i) provide for cost-effective preservation, maintenance, and repair to address the goal
91.7 under section 174.01, subdivision 2, clause (9), in a manner that aligns with other goals in
91.8 that section;

91.9 (ii) as appropriate, provide a schedule of major projects or improvement programs for
91.10 the 20-year period; and

91.11 (iii) identify resulting projected costs and impact on performance targets; ~~and~~

91.12 (8) identifies those performance targets identified under clause (1) not expected to meet
91.13 the target outcome over the 20-year period together with alternative strategies that could
91.14 be implemented to meet the targets; and

91.15 (9) establishes procedures and guidance for capacity expansion project development to
91.16 conform with section 161.178, subdivision 2, paragraph (a).

91.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective February 1, 2025,
91.18 and applies to plan revisions adopted on or after that date.

91.19 **Sec. 30. [174.47] ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM.**

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

91.22 (b) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of transportation.

91.23 (c) "Program" means the electric vehicle infrastructure program established in this
91.24 section.

91.25 (d) "Project" includes but is not limited to planning, predesign, design, preliminary and
91.26 final engineering, environmental analysis, property acquisition, construction, and
91.27 maintenance.

91.28 Subd. 2. **Electric vehicle infrastructure program.** The commissioner of transportation
91.29 must establish a statewide electric vehicle infrastructure program for the purpose of
91.30 implementing the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Formula Program and successor
91.31 programs to maximize the use of federal funds available to the state.

92.1 Subd. 3. **Authority to contract.** The commissioner may enter into an agreement with
92.2 any private or public entity to provide financial assistance for, or engage in the planning,
92.3 designing, developing, hosting, constructing, equipping, operating, or maintaining of, electric
92.4 vehicle infrastructure, including but not limited to environmental studies, preliminary
92.5 engineering, final design, construction, and developing financial and operating plans.

92.6 Subd. 4. **Program requirements.** (a) The commissioner must require that electric vehicle
92.7 infrastructure funded under the program is constructed, installed, and maintained in
92.8 conformance with the requirements under Code of Federal Regulations, title 23, section
92.9 680.106, paragraph (j), or successor requirements.

92.10 (b) An electric vehicle infrastructure project that receives funds under the program is
92.11 subject to the requirement of paying the prevailing wage rate as defined in section 177.42,
92.12 and the requirements and enforcement provisions in sections 177.27, 177.30, 177.32, 177.41
92.13 to 177.435, and 177.45.

92.14 Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 174.634, is amended to read:

92.15 **174.634 PASSENGER RAIL; FUNDING.**

92.16 Subdivision 1. **General.** (a) The commissioner may apply for funding from federal,
92.17 state, regional, local, and private sources to carry out the commissioner's duties in section
92.18 174.632.

92.19 (b) Section 174.88, subdivision 2, does not apply to the commissioner's performance of
92.20 duties and exercise of powers under sections 174.632 to 174.636.

92.21 Subd. 2. **Passenger rail account; transfers; appropriation.** (a) A passenger rail account
92.22 is established in the special revenue fund. The account consists of funds as provided in this
92.23 subdivision and any other money donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to
92.24 the account.

92.25 (b) By July 15 annually, the commissioner of revenue must transfer an amount from the
92.26 general fund to the passenger rail account that equals 50 percent of the portion of the state
92.27 general tax under section 275.025 levied on railroad operating property, as defined under
92.28 section 273.13, subdivision 24, in the prior calendar year.

92.29 (c) Money in the account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of transportation
92.30 for the net operating and capital maintenance costs of intercity passenger rail, after accounting
92.31 for operating revenue, federal funds, and other sources.

92.32 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2027.

93.1 Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 219.015, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

93.2 Subd. 2. **Railroad company assessment; account; appropriation.** (a) As provided in
93.3 this subdivision, the commissioner shall annually assess railroad companies that are (1)
93.4 defined as common carriers under section 218.011; (2) classified by federal law or regulation
93.5 as Class I Railroads, Class I Rail Carriers, Class II Railroads, or Class II Carriers; and (3)
93.6 operating in this state.

93.7 (b) The assessment must be calculated to allocate state rail safety inspection program
93.8 costs proportionally among carriers based on route miles operated in Minnesota at the time
93.9 of assessment. The commissioner must include in the assessment calculation all state rail
93.10 safety inspection program costs to support up to ~~four~~ six rail safety inspector positions,
93.11 including but not limited to salary, administration, supervision, travel, equipment, training,
93.12 and ongoing state rail inspector duties.

93.13 (c) The assessments collected under this subdivision must be deposited in a state rail
93.14 safety inspection account, which is established in the special revenue fund. The account
93.15 consists of funds provided by this subdivision and any other money donated, allotted,
93.16 transferred, or otherwise provided to the account. Money in the account is appropriated to
93.17 the commissioner to administer the state rail safety inspection program.

93.18 Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 219.1651, is amended to read:

93.19 **219.1651 GRADE CROSSING SAFETY ACCOUNT.**

93.20 A Minnesota grade crossing safety account is created in the special revenue fund,
93.21 consisting of money credited to the account by law. Money in the account is appropriated
93.22 to the commissioner of transportation for rail-highway grade crossing safety projects on
93.23 public streets and highways, including engineering costs and other costs associated with
93.24 administration and delivery of grade crossing safety projects. At the discretion of the
93.25 commissioner of transportation, money in the account at the end of each biennium may
93.26 cancel to the trunk highway fund.

93.27 Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 221.0269, is amended by adding a subdivision
93.28 to read:

93.29 Subd. 4. Intrastate transportation; heating fuel. (a) If a regional emergency has been
93.30 declared by the President of the United States or by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety
93.31 Administration pursuant to United States Code, title 49, section 390.23(a), and the declaration
93.32 includes heating fuel as a covered commodity, the federal regulations incorporated into

94.1 section 221.0314, subdivision 9, for hours of service do not apply to drivers engaged in
94.2 intrastate transportation of heating fuel.

94.3 (b) Notwithstanding the relief provided in paragraph (a), a driver may not exceed a total
94.4 of 14 hours combined on-duty and driving time after coming on duty following at least ten
94.5 consecutive hours off-duty.

94.6 (c) If a driver is operating under the relief provided by paragraph (a), and the declaration
94.7 is in effect for more than 30 calendar days, the driver must take a 34-hour restart before the
94.8 driver has been on duty for 30 consecutive days.

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

94.10 Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 222.37, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

94.11 Subdivision 1. **Use requirements.** Any water power, telegraph, telephone, pneumatic
94.12 tube, pipeline, community antenna television, cable communications or electric light, heat,
94.13 power company, entity that receives a route permit under chapter 216E for a high-voltage
94.14 transmission line necessary to interconnect an electric power generating facility with
94.15 transmission lines or associated facilities of an entity that directly, or through its members
94.16 or agents, provides retail electric service in the state, or fire department may use public
94.17 roads for the purpose of constructing, using, operating, and maintaining lines, subways,
94.18 canals, conduits, transmission lines, hydrants, or dry hydrants, for their business, but such
94.19 lines shall be so located as in no way to interfere with the safety and convenience of ordinary
94.20 travel along or over the same; and, in the construction and maintenance of such line, subway,
94.21 canal, conduit, transmission lines, hydrants, or dry hydrants, the ~~company~~ entity shall be
94.22 subject to all reasonable regulations imposed by the governing body of any county, town
94.23 or city in which such public road may be. If the governing body does not require the ~~company~~
94.24 entity to obtain a permit, ~~a company~~ an entity shall notify the governing body of any county,
94.25 town, or city having jurisdiction over a public road prior to the construction or major repair,
94.26 involving extensive excavation on the road right-of-way, of the ~~company's~~ entity's equipment
94.27 along, over, or under the public road, unless the governing body waives the notice
94.28 requirement. A waiver of the notice requirement must be renewed on an annual basis. For
94.29 emergency repair ~~a company~~, an entity shall notify the governing body as soon as practical
94.30 after the repair is made. Nothing herein shall be construed to grant to any person any rights
94.31 for the maintenance of a telegraph, telephone, pneumatic tube, community antenna television
94.32 system, cable communications system, or light, heat, power system, electric power generating
94.33 system, high-voltage transmission line, or hydrant system within the corporate limits of any
94.34 city until such person shall have obtained the right to maintain such system within such city

95.1 or for a period beyond that for which the right to operate such system is granted by such
95.2 city.

95.3 Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 297A.993, is amended by adding a subdivision
95.4 to read:

95.5 Subd. 2a. **Guideway uses; reporting.** By August 15 of each even-numbered year, a
95.6 metropolitan area county that uses, or proposes to use, the proceeds of the transportation
95.7 sales taxes to fund the planning, construction, operation, or maintenance of guideways as
95.8 defined in section 473.4485, subdivision 1, must submit a report to the legislative committees
95.9 with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance. At a minimum, the report must
95.10 include:

95.11 (1) actual transportation sales tax collections by the county over the previous five calendar
95.12 years;

95.13 (2) an estimation of the total sales tax revenues that will be collected by the county in
95.14 the current year and estimated collections for the next ten calendar years;

95.15 (3) for each of the previous five calendar years, the current calendar year, and for the
95.16 next ten calendar years:

95.17 (i) the amount of sales tax revenues expended or proposed to be expended for guideway
95.18 planning, construction, operation, or maintenance;

95.19 (ii) the total expenditures or proposed expenditures of sales tax revenues for nonguideway
95.20 uses; and

95.21 (iii) an estimated balance of unspent or undesignated county sales tax revenues.

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

95.23 Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 299A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision
95.24 to read:

95.25 Subd. 8. **Traffic safety report.** Annually by January 2, the commissioner of public
95.26 safety must submit a traffic safety report to the governor and the chairs and ranking minority
95.27 members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over traffic safety and enforcement.
95.28 In preparing the report, the commissioner must seek advice and comments from the Advisory
95.29 Council on Traffic Safety under section 4.076. The report must analyze the safety of
95.30 Minnesota's roads and transportation system, including but not limited to:

96.1 (1) injuries and fatalities that occur on or near a roadway or other transportation system
 96.2 facility;

96.3 (2) factors that caused crashes resulting in injuries and fatalities;

96.4 (3) roadway and system improvements broadly and at specific locations that could reduce
 96.5 injuries and fatalities;

96.6 (4) enforcement and education efforts that could reduce injuries and fatalities;

96.7 (5) other safety improvements or programs to improve the quality of the roadway and
 96.8 transportation use experience; and

96.9 (6) existing resources and resource gaps for roadway and transportation system safety
 96.10 improvements.

96.11 Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 299A.705, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

96.12 Subdivision 1. **Driver and vehicle services operating account.** (a) The driver and
 96.13 vehicle services operating account is created in the special revenue fund, ~~consisting.~~ The
 96.14 account consists of all money from the vehicle services fees specified in chapters 168, 168A,
 96.15 and 168D, all money collected under chapter 171, and any other money donated, allotted,
 96.16 transferred, or otherwise provided to the account.

96.17 (b) Funds appropriated from the account must be used by the commissioner of public
 96.18 safety to administer:

96.19 (1) the driver services specified in chapters 169A and 171, including the activities
 96.20 associated with producing and mailing drivers' licenses and identification cards and notices
 96.21 relating to issuance, renewal, or withdrawal of driving and identification card privileges for
 96.22 any fiscal year or years and for the testing and examination of drivers; and

96.23 (2) the vehicle services specified in chapters 168, 168A, and 168D, and section 169.345,
 96.24 including:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

97.3 ~~(8)~~ (viii) inspecting vehicles when required by law.

97.4 (c) In conjunction with each forecast under section 16A.103, the commissioner of
97.5 management and budget must publish a supplemental statement for the account. The
97.6 statement must include:

97.7 (1) categorization of revenue and expenditures for recent, current, and upcoming fiscal
97.8 years, with breakouts by anticipated expenditures under statutory and direct appropriations;

97.9 (2) specification of the account balance actuals or estimates in each fiscal year; and

97.10 (3) identification of changes in comparison to the most recent prior forecast.

97.11 Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 299D.03, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

97.12 Subd. 5. **Traffic fines and forfeited bail money.** (a) All fines and forfeited bail money
97.13 collected from persons apprehended or arrested by officers of the State Patrol shall be
97.14 transmitted by the person or officer collecting the fines, forfeited bail money, or installments
97.15 thereof, on or before the tenth day after the last day of the month in which these moneys
97.16 were collected, to the commissioner of management and budget. Except where a different
97.17 disposition is required in this subdivision or section 387.213, or otherwise provided by law,
97.18 three-eighths of these receipts must be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the
97.19 state general fund. The other five-eighths of these receipts must be deposited in the state
97.20 treasury and credited as follows: (1) the first ~~\$1,000,000~~ \$1,750,000 in fiscal year 2024 and
97.21 \$2,500,000 in each fiscal year thereafter must be credited to the Minnesota grade crossing
97.22 safety account in the special revenue fund, and (2) remaining receipts must be credited to
97.23 the state trunk highway fund. If, however, the violation occurs within a municipality and
97.24 the city attorney prosecutes the offense, and a plea of not guilty is entered, one-third of the
97.25 receipts shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the state general fund, one-third
97.26 of the receipts shall be paid to the municipality prosecuting the offense, and one-third shall
97.27 be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the Minnesota grade crossing safety account
97.28 or the state trunk highway fund as provided in this paragraph. When section 387.213 also
97.29 is applicable to the fine, section 387.213 shall be applied before this paragraph is applied.
97.30 All costs of participation in a nationwide police communication system chargeable to the
97.31 state of Minnesota shall be paid from appropriations for that purpose.

97.32 (b) All fines and forfeited bail money from violations of statutes governing the maximum
97.33 weight of motor vehicles, collected from persons apprehended or arrested by employees of

98.1 the state of Minnesota, by means of stationary or portable scales operated by these employees,
98.2 shall be transmitted by the person or officer collecting the fines or forfeited bail money, on
98.3 or before the tenth day after the last day of the month in which the collections were made,
98.4 to the commissioner of management and budget. Five-eighths of these receipts shall be
98.5 deposited in the state treasury and credited to the state highway user tax distribution fund.
98.6 Three-eighths of these receipts shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the
98.7 state general fund.

98.8 Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 357.021, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

98.9 Subd. 6. **Surcharges on criminal and traffic offenders.** (a) Except as provided in this
98.10 subdivision, the court shall impose and the court administrator shall collect a \$75 surcharge
98.11 on every person convicted of any felony, gross misdemeanor, misdemeanor, or petty
98.12 misdemeanor offense, other than a violation of: (1) a law or ordinance relating to vehicle
98.13 parking, for which there shall be is a \$12 surcharge; and (2) section 609.855, subdivision
98.14 1, 3, or 3a, for which there is a \$25 surcharge. When a defendant is convicted of more than
98.15 one offense in a case, the surcharge shall be imposed only once in that case. In the Second
98.16 Judicial District, the court shall impose, and the court administrator shall collect, an additional
98.17 \$1 surcharge on every person convicted of any felony, gross misdemeanor, misdemeanor,
98.18 or petty misdemeanor offense, including a violation of a law or ordinance relating to vehicle
98.19 parking, if the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the \$1 surcharge. The
98.20 surcharge shall be imposed whether or not the person is sentenced to imprisonment or the
98.21 sentence is stayed. The surcharge shall not be imposed when a person is convicted of a petty
98.22 misdemeanor for which no fine is imposed.

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

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

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

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

99.5 (f) The surcharge does not apply to administrative citations issued pursuant to section
99.6 169.999.

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

99.9 Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 357.021, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

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

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

99.17 (2) 99 percent shall be credited to the general fund.

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

99.20 (c) In addition to any amounts credited under paragraph (a), the commissioner of
99.21 management and budget shall credit the following to the general fund: \$47 of each surcharge
99.22 received under subdivision 6 and; the \$12 parking surcharge, to the general fund; and the
99.23 \$25 surcharge for a violation of section 609.855, subdivision 1, 3, or 3a.

99.24 (d) If the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes imposition of the additional
99.25 \$1 surcharge provided for in subdivision 6, paragraph (a), the court administrator in the
99.26 Second Judicial District shall transmit the surcharge to the commissioner of management
99.27 and budget. The \$1 special surcharge is deposited in a Ramsey County surcharge account
99.28 in the special revenue fund and amounts in the account are appropriated to the trial courts
99.29 for the administration of the petty misdemeanor diversion program operated by the Second
99.30 Judicial District Ramsey County Violations Bureau.

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

100.1 Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.146, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

100.2 Subdivision 1. **Requirement.** The council shall adopt a long-range comprehensive policy
100.3 plan for transportation, climate action, and wastewater treatment. The plans must substantially
100.4 conform to all policy statements, purposes, goals, standards, and maps in the development
100.5 guide developed and adopted by the council under this chapter. Each policy plan must
100.6 include, to the extent appropriate to the functions, services, and systems covered, the
100.7 following:

100.8 (1) forecasts of changes in the general levels and distribution of population, households,
100.9 employment, land uses, and other relevant matters, for the metropolitan area and appropriate
100.10 subareas;

100.11 (2) a statement of issues, problems, needs, and opportunities with respect to the functions,
100.12 services, and systems covered;

100.13 (3) a statement of the council's goals, objectives, and priorities with respect to the
100.14 functions, services, and systems covered, addressing areas and populations to be served,
100.15 the levels, distribution, and staging of services; a general description of the facility systems
100.16 required to support the services; the estimated cost of improvements required to achieve
100.17 the council's goals for the regional systems, including an analysis of what portion of the
100.18 funding for each improvement is proposed to come from the state, Metropolitan Council
100.19 levies, and cities, counties, and towns in the metropolitan area, respectively, and other
100.20 similar matters;

100.21 (4) a statement of policies to effectuate the council's goals, objectives, and priorities;

100.22 (5) a statement of the fiscal implications of the council's plan, including a statement of:
100.23 (i) the resources available under existing fiscal policy; (ii) the adequacy of resources under
100.24 existing fiscal policy and any shortfalls and unattended needs; (iii) additional resources, if
100.25 any, that are or may be required to effectuate the council's goals, objectives, and priorities;
100.26 and (iv) any changes in existing fiscal policy, on regional revenues and intergovernmental
100.27 aids respectively, that are expected or that the council has recommended or may recommend;

100.28 (6) a statement of the relationship of the policy plan to other policy plans and chapters
100.29 of the Metropolitan Development Guide;

100.30 (7) a statement of the relationships to local comprehensive plans prepared under sections
100.31 473.851 to 473.871; ~~and~~

101.1 (8) additional general information as may be necessary to develop the policy plan or as
101.2 may be required by the laws relating to the metropolitan agency and function covered by
101.3 the policy plan; and

101.4 (9) forecasts pertaining to greenhouse gas emissions that are generated from activity
101.5 that occurs within local jurisdictions, including from transportation, land use, energy use,
101.6 solid waste, livestock, and agriculture, and the estimated impact of strategies that reduce or
101.7 naturally sequester greenhouse gas emissions across sectors.

101.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
101.9 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
101.10 Scott, and Washington.

101.11 Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.146, is amended by adding a subdivision
101.12 to read:

101.13 **Subd. 5. Development guide; climate action.** The climate action chapter must include
101.14 policies that describe how metropolitan system plans, as defined under section 473.852,
101.15 subdivision 8, meet greenhouse gas emissions-reduction goals established by the state under
101.16 section 216H.02, subdivision 1, and transportation targets established by the commissioner
101.17 of transportation, including vehicle miles traveled reduction targets established in the
101.18 statewide multimodal transportation plan under section 174.03, subdivision 1a.

101.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
101.20 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
101.21 Scott, and Washington.

101.22 Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.39, is amended by adding a subdivision to
101.23 read:

101.24 **Subd. 1x. Obligations.** In addition to other authority in this section, the council may
101.25 issue certificates of indebtedness, bonds, or other obligations under this section in an amount
101.26 not exceeding \$104,545,000 for capital expenditures as prescribed in the council's transit
101.27 capital improvement program and for related costs, including the costs of issuance and sale
101.28 of the obligations. Of this authorization, after July 1, 2023, the council may issue certificates
101.29 of indebtedness, bonds, or other obligations in an amount not exceeding \$51,500,000, and
101.30 after July 1, 2024, the council may issue certificates of indebtedness, bonds, or other
101.31 obligations in an additional amount not exceeding \$53,045,000.

102.1 **Sec. 45. [473.4065] TRANSIT RIDER ACTIVITY.**

102.2 **Subdivision 1. Code of conduct; establishment.** (a) The council must adopt a rider
102.3 code of conduct for transit passengers. The council must post a copy of the code of conduct
102.4 in a prominent location at each light rail transit station, bus rapid transit station, and transit
102.5 center.

102.6 (b) The code of conduct must not prohibit sleeping in a manner that does not otherwise
102.7 violate conduct requirements.

102.8 **Subd. 2. Code of conduct; violations.** An authorized transit representative, as defined
102.9 in section 609.855, subdivision 7, paragraph (g), may order a person to depart a transit
102.10 vehicle or transit facility for a violation of the rider code of conduct established under
102.11 subdivision 1 if the person continues to act in violation of the code of conduct after being
102.12 warned once to stop.

102.13 **Subd. 3. Paid fare zones.** The council must establish and clearly designate paid fare
102.14 zones at each light rail transit station where the council utilizes self-service barrier-free fare
102.15 collection.

102.16 **Subd. 4. Light rail transit facility monitoring.** (a) The council must maintain public
102.17 safety monitoring and response activities at light rail transit facilities that include:

102.18 (1) placement of security cameras and sufficient associated lighting that provide live
102.19 coverage for (i) the entire area at each light rail transit station, and (ii) each light rail transit
102.20 vehicle;

102.21 (2) installation of a public address system at each light rail transit station that is capable
102.22 of providing information and warnings to passengers; and

102.23 (3) real-time active monitoring of passenger activity and potential violations throughout
102.24 the light rail transit system.

102.25 (b) The monitoring activities must include timely maintenance or replacement of
102.26 malfunctioning cameras or public address systems.

102.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
102.28 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
102.29 Scott, and Washington.

102.30 **Sec. 46. [473.4075] TRANSIT RIDER INVESTMENT PROGRAM.**

102.31 **Subdivision 1. Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms and the
102.32 terms defined in section 609.855, subdivision 7, have the meanings given.

103.1 (b) "Transit official" means an individual who is authorized as TRIP personnel, a
103.2 community service officer, or a peace officer as defined in section 626.84, subdivision 1,
103.3 paragraph (c).

103.4 (c) "TRIP personnel" means persons specifically authorized by the council for the TRIP
103.5 program under this section, including but not limited to fare inspection and enforcement,
103.6 who are not peace officers or community service officers.

103.7 (d) "TRIP program" or "program" means the transit rider investment program established
103.8 in this section.

103.9 Subd. 2. **Program established.** (a) Subject to available funds, the council must implement
103.10 a transit rider investment program that provides for TRIP personnel deployment, fare payment
103.11 inspection, administrative citation issuance, rider education and assistance, and improvements
103.12 to the transit experience.

103.13 (b) As part of program implementation, the council must:

103.14 (1) adopt a resolution that establishes the program and establishes fine amounts in
103.15 accordance with subdivision 8;

103.16 (2) establish policies and procedures that govern authorizing and training TRIP personnel,
103.17 TRIP personnel uniforms, issuing an administrative citation, and contesting an administrative
103.18 citation;

103.19 (3) consult with stakeholders on the design of the program;

103.20 (4) develop a TRIP personnel recruitment plan that includes informing and supporting
103.21 potential applicants who are: (i) representative of transit users; and (ii) from cultural, ethnic,
103.22 and racial communities that are historically underrepresented in state or local public service;

103.23 (5) develop a TRIP personnel strategic deployment plan that: (i) requires teams of at
103.24 least two individuals; and (ii) targets deployment to times and locations with identified
103.25 concentrations of activity that are subject to an administrative citation, other citations, or
103.26 arrest or that negatively impact the rider experience; and

103.27 (6) provide for training on the program and issuance of administrative citations to peace
103.28 officers who provide law enforcement assistance under an agreement with the council.

103.29 Subd. 3. **TRIP manager.** The council must appoint a TRIP manager to manage the
103.30 program. The TRIP manager must have managerial experience in social services, transit
103.31 service, or law enforcement. The TRIP manager is a TRIP personnel staff member.

104.1 Subd. 4. **TRIP personnel; duties; requirements.** (a) The duties of the TRIP personnel
104.2 include:

104.3 (1) monitoring and responding to passenger activity, including:

104.4 (i) informing passengers about the council's rider code of conduct; and

104.5 (ii) assisting passengers in obtaining social services, such as through information and
104.6 referrals;

104.7 (2) acting as a liaison to social service agencies;

104.8 (3) providing information to passengers on using the transit system;

104.9 (4) providing direct navigation assistance and accompaniment to passengers who have
104.10 a disability, are elderly, or request enhanced personal aid;

104.11 (5) performing fare payment inspections;

104.12 (6) issuing administrative citations as provided in subdivision 6; and

104.13 (7) obtaining assistance from peace officers or community service officers as necessary.

104.14 (b) An individual who is authorized as TRIP personnel must wear the uniform as
104.15 established by the council at all times when on duty.

104.16 Subd. 5. **TRIP personnel; training.** Training for TRIP personnel must include the
104.17 following topics:

104.18 (1) early warning techniques, crisis intervention, conflict de-escalation, and conflict
104.19 resolution;

104.20 (2) identification of persons likely in need of social services;

104.21 (3) locally available social service providers, including services for homelessness, mental
104.22 health, and addiction;

104.23 (4) policies and procedures for administrative citations; and

104.24 (5) administration of opiate antagonists in a manner that meets the requirements under
104.25 section 151.37, subdivision 12.

104.26 Subd. 6. **Administrative citations; authority; issuance.** (a) A transit official has the
104.27 exclusive authority to issue an administrative citation to a person who commits a violation
104.28 under section 609.855, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (1), or 3.

105.1 (b) An administrative citation must include notification that the person has the right to
105.2 contest the citation, basic procedures for contesting the citation, and information on the
105.3 timeline and consequences for failure to contest the citation or pay the fine.

105.4 (c) The council must not mandate or suggest a quota for the issuance of administrative
105.5 citations under this section.

105.6 (d) Issuance and resolution of an administrative citation is a bar to prosecution under
105.7 section 609.855, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (1), or 3, or for any other violation
105.8 arising from the same conduct.

105.9 Subd. 7. **Administrative citations; disposition.** (a) A person who commits a violation
105.10 under section 609.855, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (1), or 3, and is issued an
105.11 administrative citation under this section must, within 90 days of issuance, pay the fine as
105.12 specified or contest the citation. A person who fails to either pay the fine or contest the
105.13 citation within the specified period is considered to have waived the contested citation
105.14 process and is subject to collections.

105.15 (b) The council must provide a civil process for a person to contest the administrative
105.16 citation before a neutral third party. The council may employ a council employee not
105.17 associated with its transit operations to hear and rule on challenges to administrative citations
105.18 or may contract with another unit of government or a private entity to provide the service.

105.19 (c) The council may contract with credit bureaus, public and private collection agencies,
105.20 the Department of Revenue, and other public or private entities providing collection services
105.21 as necessary for the collection of fine debts under this section. As determined by the council,
105.22 collection costs are added to the debts referred to a public or private collection entity for
105.23 collection. Collection costs include the fees of the collection entity and may include, if
105.24 separately provided, skip tracing fees, credit bureau reporting charges, and fees assessed
105.25 by any public entity for obtaining information necessary for debt collection. If the collection
105.26 entity collects an amount less than the total due, the payment is applied proportionally to
105.27 collection costs and the underlying debt.

105.28 Subd. 8. **Administrative citations; penalties.** (a) The amount of a fine under this section
105.29 must be set at no less than \$35 and no more than \$100.

105.30 (b) Subject to paragraph (a), the council may adopt a graduated structure that increases
105.31 the fine amount for second and subsequent violations.

105.32 (c) The council may adopt an alternative resolution procedure under which a person
105.33 may resolve an administrative citation in lieu of paying a fine by complying with terms

106.1 established by the council for community service, prepayment of future transit fares, or
106.2 both. The alternative resolution procedure must be available only to a person who has
106.3 committed a violation for the first time, unless the person demonstrates financial hardship
106.4 under criteria established by the council.

106.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, except
106.6 that subdivisions 1 and 3 are effective the day following final enactment. This section applies
106.7 in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

106.8 **Sec. 47. [473.4077] LEGISLATIVE REPORT; TRANSIT SAFETY AND RIDER**
106.9 **EXPERIENCE.**

106.10 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section, the terms defined in section
106.11 473.4075 have the meanings given.

106.12 Subd. 2. **Legislative report.** (a) Annually by February 15, the council must submit a
106.13 report on transit safety and rider experience to the chairs and ranking minority members of
106.14 the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance.

106.15 (b) At a minimum, the report must:

106.16 (1) provide an overview of transit safety issues and actions taken by the council to
106.17 improve safety, including improvements made to equipment and infrastructure;

106.18 (2) provide an overview of the rider code of conduct and measures required under section
106.19 473.4065;

106.20 (3) provide an overview of the transit rider investment program under section 473.4075
106.21 and the program's structure and implementation;

106.22 (4) provide an overview of the activities of TRIP personnel, including specifically
106.23 describing the activities of uniformed transit safety officials;

106.24 (5) provide a description of all policies adopted pursuant to section 473.4075, the need
106.25 for each policy, and a copy of each policy;

106.26 (6) if the council adopted an alternative resolution procedure pursuant to section 473.4075,
106.27 subdivision 8, provide:

106.28 (i) a description of that procedure;

106.29 (ii) the criteria used to determine financial hardship; and

107.1 (iii) for each of the previous three calendar years, how frequently the procedure was
107.2 used, the number of community service hours performed, and the total amount paid as
107.3 prepayment of transit fares;

107.4 (7) for each of the previous three calendar years:

107.5 (i) identify the number of fare compliance inspections that were completed, including
107.6 the total number and the number as a percentage of total rides;

107.7 (ii) state the number of warnings and citations issued by the Metro Transit Police
107.8 Department and transit agents, including a breakdown of which type of officer or official
107.9 issued the citation, the statutory authority for issuing the warning or citation, the reason
107.10 given for each warning or citation issued, and the total number of times each reason was
107.11 given;

107.12 (iii) state the number of administrative citations that were appealed pursuant to section
107.13 473.4075, the number of those citations that were dismissed on appeal, and a breakdown
107.14 of the reasons for dismissal;

107.15 (iv) include data and statistics on crime rates occurring on public transit vehicles and
107.16 surrounding transit stops and stations;

107.17 (v) state the number of peace officers employed by the Metro Transit Police Department;

107.18 (vi) state the average number of peace officers employed by the Metro Transit Police
107.19 Department; and

107.20 (vii) state the number of uniformed transit safety officials and community service officers
107.21 who served as transit agents;

107.22 (8) analyze impacts of the transit rider investment program on fare compliance and
107.23 customer experience for riders, including rates of fare violations; and

107.24 (9) make recommendations on the following:

107.25 (i) changes to the administrative citation program; and

107.26 (ii) methods to improve safety on public transit and transit stops and stations.

107.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, and
107.28 applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

108.1 Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 473.859, is amended by adding a subdivision
108.2 to read:

108.3 Subd. 7. **Climate action plan.** The council must specify how the information in section
108.4 473.146, subdivision 5, must be incorporated into comprehensive plan content.

108.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
108.6 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
108.7 Scott, and Washington.

108.8 Sec. 49. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.855, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

108.9 Subdivision 1. **Unlawfully obtaining services; petty misdemeanor.** (a) A person is
108.10 guilty of a petty misdemeanor who intentionally obtains or attempts to obtain service for
108.11 himself, herself, or another person from a provider of public transit or from a public
108.12 conveyance by doing any of the following:

108.13 (1) occupies or rides in any public transit vehicle without paying the applicable fare or
108.14 otherwise obtaining the consent of the transit provider including:

108.15 (i) the use of a reduced fare when a person is not eligible for the fare; or

108.16 (ii) the use of a fare medium issued solely for the use of a particular individual by another
108.17 individual;

108.18 (2) presents a falsified, counterfeit, photocopied, or other deceptively manipulated fare
108.19 medium as fare payment or proof of fare payment;

108.20 (3) sells, provides, copies, reproduces, or creates any version of any fare medium without
108.21 the consent of the transit provider; or

108.22 (4) puts or attempts to put any of the following into any fare box, pass reader, ticket
108.23 vending machine, or other fare collection equipment of a transit provider:

108.24 (i) papers, articles, instruments, or items other than fare media or currency; or

108.25 (ii) a fare medium that is not valid for the place or time at, or the manner in, which it is
108.26 used.

108.27 (b) Where self-service barrier-free fare collection is utilized by a public transit provider,
108.28 it is a violation of this subdivision to intentionally fail to exhibit proof of fare payment upon
108.29 the request of an authorized transit representative when entering, riding upon, or leaving a
108.30 transit vehicle or when present in a designated paid fare zone located in a transit facility.

108.31 (c) A person who violates this subdivision must pay a fine of no more than \$10.

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

109.3 Sec. 50. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.855, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

109.4 Subd. 3. **Prohibited activities; petty misdemeanor.** ~~(a) A person is guilty of a~~
109.5 ~~misdemeanor who, while riding in a vehicle providing public transit service:~~

109.6 ~~(1) operates a radio, television, tape player, electronic musical instrument, or other~~
109.7 ~~electronic device, other than a watch, which amplifies music, unless the sound emanates~~
109.8 ~~only from earphones or headphones and except that vehicle operators may operate electronic~~
109.9 ~~equipment for official business;~~

109.10 ~~(2) smokes or carries lighted smoking paraphernalia;~~

109.11 ~~(3) consumes food or beverages, except when authorized by the operator or other official~~
109.12 ~~of the transit system;~~

109.13 ~~(4) (a) A person who~~ throws or deposits litter; ~~or~~ while riding in a vehicle providing
109.14 public transit service is guilty of a petty misdemeanor.

109.15 ~~(5) carries or is in control of an animal without the operator's consent.~~

109.16 (b) A person is guilty of a violation of this subdivision only if the person continues to
109.17 act in violation of this subdivision after being warned once by an authorized transit
109.18 representative to stop the conduct.

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

109.21 Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.855, is amended by adding a subdivision
109.22 to read:

109.23 Subd. 3a. **Prohibited activities; misdemeanor.** (a) A person who performs any of the
109.24 following while in a transit vehicle or at a transit facility is guilty of a misdemeanor:

109.25 (1) smokes, as defined in section 144.413, subdivision 4;

109.26 (2) urinates or defecates;

109.27 (3) consumes an alcoholic beverage, as defined in section 340A.101, subdivision 2;

109.28 (4) damages a transit vehicle or transit facility in a manner that meets the requirements
109.29 for criminal damage to property in the fourth degree under section 609.595, subdivision 3,
109.30 and is not otherwise a violation under subdivision 1, 1a, or 2 of that section;

110.1 (5) performs vandalism, defacement, or placement of graffiti, as defined in section
110.2 617.90, subdivision 1; or

110.3 (6) engages in disorderly conduct as specified in section 609.72, subdivision 1, clause
110.4 (3).

110.5 (b) A peace officer, as defined in section 626.84, subdivision 1, paragraph (c), may order
110.6 a person to depart a transit vehicle or transit facility for a violation under paragraph (a).

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

110.9 Sec. 52. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.855, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

110.10 Subd. 7. **Definitions.** (a) The definitions in this subdivision apply in this section.

110.11 (b) "Public transit" or "transit" has the meaning given in section 174.22, subdivision 7.

110.12 (c) "Public transit vehicle" or "transit vehicle" means any vehicle used for the purpose
110.13 of providing public transit, whether or not the vehicle is owned or operated by a public
110.14 entity.

110.15 (d) "Public transit facilities" or "transit facilities" means any vehicles, equipment,
110.16 property, structures, stations, improvements, plants, parking or other facilities, or rights that
110.17 are owned, leased, held, or used for the purpose of providing public transit, whether or not
110.18 the facility is owned or operated by a public entity.

110.19 (e) "Fare medium" means a ticket, smart card, pass, coupon, token, transfer, or other
110.20 medium sold or distributed by a public transit provider, or its authorized agents, for use in
110.21 gaining entry to or use of the public transit facilities or vehicles of the provider.

110.22 (f) "Proof of fare payment" means a fare medium valid for the place or time at, or the
110.23 manner in, which it is used. If using a reduced-fare medium, proof of fare payment also
110.24 includes proper identification demonstrating a person's eligibility for the reduced fare. If
110.25 using a fare medium issued solely for the use of a particular individual, proof of fare payment
110.26 also includes an identification document bearing a photographic likeness of the individual
110.27 and demonstrating that the individual is the person to whom the fare medium is issued.

110.28 (g) "Authorized transit representative" means the person authorized by the transit provider
110.29 to operate the transit vehicle, a peace officer, a transit official under section 473.4075,
110.30 subdivision 1, or any other person designated by the transit provider as an authorized transit
110.31 provider representative under this section.

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

111.1 Sec. 53. Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article 4, section 143, is amended to
111.2 read:

111.3 Sec. 143. **STUDY ON POST-COVID PANDEMIC PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION.**

111.4 (a) ~~From funds specified under Minnesota Statutes, section 161.53, paragraph (b), the~~
111.5 ~~commissioner of transportation~~ Using existing resources, the Metropolitan Council must
111.6 arrange and pay for a study by the Center for Transportation Studies at the University of
111.7 Minnesota that examines public transportation after the COVID-19 pandemic is substantially
111.8 curtailed in the United States. At a minimum, the study must:

111.9 (1) focus primarily on transit service ~~for commuters in~~ throughout the metropolitan area,
111.10 as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 473.121, subdivision 2;

111.11 (2) specifically review Northstar Commuter Rail and commuter-oriented transit service
111.12 by the Metropolitan Council and by the suburban transit providers; and

111.13 (3) provide analysis and projections for the public transit system in the metropolitan
111.14 area, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 473.121, subdivision 2, on anticipated changes
111.15 in:

111.16 (i) ridership;

111.17 (ii) demand for different modes and forms of active and public transportation;

111.18 (iii) transit service levels and features;

111.19 (iv) revenue and expenditures; and

111.20 (v) long-term impacts.

111.21 (b) By ~~February~~ October 1, 2023 2024, the ~~commissioner~~ chair of the Metropolitan
111.22 Council must provide a copy of the study to the members of the legislative committees with
111.23 jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance.

111.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
111.25 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
111.26 Scott, and Washington.

112.1 Sec. 54. Laws 2022, chapter 39, section 2, is amended to read:

112.2 Sec. 2. **SOUTHWEST LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT; EXPENDITURES AND**
112.3 **SCHEDULE.**

112.4 (a) Annually by January 1 and July 1, the Metropolitan Council must provide status
112.5 updates on the Southwest light rail transit project to the chairs and ranking minority members
112.6 of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance. Each
112.7 status update must include:

112.8 (1) total expenditures on the project during the previous six months as compared to
112.9 projections;

112.10 (2) total expenditures on the project anticipated over the next six months; ~~and~~

112.11 (3) total expenditures on the project to date;

112.12 (4) the total project cost estimate; and

112.13 (5) any change in the date of anticipated project completion.

112.14 (b) The Metropolitan Council must notify the chairs and ranking minority members of
112.15 the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance within
112.16 seven calendar days of making a determination that:

112.17 (1) the anticipated Southwest light rail project completion date is delayed by six months
112.18 or more beyond the estimated completion date determined as of the effective date of this
112.19 section;

112.20 (2) the anticipated Southwest light rail project completion date is delayed by six months
112.21 or more beyond the most recent estimated completion date;

112.22 (3) the total Southwest light rail project cost is anticipated to increase by five percent
112.23 or more above the project cost estimate determined as of the effective date of this section;
112.24 or

112.25 (4) the total Southwest light rail project cost is anticipated to increase by five percent
112.26 or more above the most recent cost estimate.

112.27 (c) On a monthly basis and at least 30 days prior to making an expenditure for the
112.28 Southwest light rail transit project, the Metropolitan Council must submit an expenditure
112.29 notification for review and comment to the chairs and ranking minority members of the
112.30 legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance and to the

113.1 members of the Legislative Commission on Metropolitan Government. A notification must
113.2 include the following for each expenditure or for a subtotal of related expenditures:

113.3 (1) the expenditure or subtotal amount;

113.4 (2) the specific standard cost category; and

113.5 (3) identification or a brief summary of the nature of the expenditure.

113.6 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
113.7 final enactment and applies to expenditures made on or after October 1, 2023. This section
113.8 applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

113.9 **Sec. 55. RETROACTIVE DRIVER'S LICENSE REINSTATEMENT.**

113.10 (a) The commissioner of public safety must make an individual's driver's license eligible
113.11 for reinstatement if the license is solely suspended pursuant to:

113.12 (1) Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 169.92, subdivision 4, if the person did not appear
113.13 in court (i) in compliance with the terms of a citation for a petty misdemeanor, or (ii) for a
113.14 violation of Minnesota Statutes, section 171.24, subdivision 1;

113.15 (2) Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.16, subdivision 2, if the person was convicted
113.16 only under Minnesota Statutes, section 171.24, subdivision 1 or 2;

113.17 (3) Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.16, subdivision 3; or

113.18 (4) any combination of clauses (1), (2), and (3).

113.19 (b) By December 1, 2023, the commissioner must provide written notice to an individual
113.20 whose license has been made eligible for reinstatement under paragraph (a), addressed to
113.21 the licensee at the licensee's last known address.

113.22 (c) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, before the license is reinstated, an individual
113.23 whose driver's license is eligible for reinstatement under paragraph (a) must pay a single
113.24 reinstatement fee of \$20.

113.25 (d) The following applies for an individual who is eligible for reinstatement under
113.26 paragraph (a) and whose license was suspended, revoked, or canceled under any other
113.27 provision in Minnesota Statutes:

113.28 (1) the suspension, revocation, or cancellation under any other provision in Minnesota
113.29 Statutes remains in effect;

113.30 (2) subject to clause (1), the individual may become eligible for reinstatement under
113.31 paragraph (a); and

114.1 (3) the commissioner is not required to send the notice described in paragraph (b).

114.2 (e) Paragraph (a) applies notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes 2020, sections 169.92,
114.3 subdivision 4; and 171.16, subdivision 2 or 3; or any other law to the contrary.

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

114.5 Sec. 56. **MICROTRANSIT SERVICE.**

114.6 From sales tax revenue, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 473.4465, subdivision
114.7 1, the Metropolitan Council must provide financial assistance to replacement service
114.8 providers under Minnesota Statutes, section 473.388, for improvements related to demand
114.9 response transit service. The council must make grants in fiscal year 2024 as follows:

114.10 (1) \$2,300,000 to Minnesota Valley Transit Authority for vehicle costs;

114.11 (2) \$5,700,000 to Minnesota Valley Transit Authority for infrastructure and other capital
114.12 costs; and

114.13 (3) \$1,000,000 to SouthWest Transit for vehicle costs.

114.14 **APPLICATION.** This section applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota,
114.15 Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

114.16 Sec. 57. **FINANCIAL REVIEW OF NONPROFIT GRANT RECIPIENTS**
114.17 **REQUIRED.**

114.18 Subdivision 1. **Financial review required.** (a) Before awarding a competitive,
114.19 legislatively named, single source, or sole source grant to a nonprofit organization under
114.20 this act, the grantor must require the applicant to submit financial information sufficient for
114.21 the grantor to document and assess the applicant's current financial standing and management.
114.22 Items of significant concern must be addressed with the applicant and resolved to the
114.23 satisfaction of the grantor before a grant is awarded. The grantor must document the material
114.24 requested and reviewed; whether the applicant had a significant operating deficit, a deficit
114.25 in unrestricted net assets, or insufficient internal controls; whether and how the applicant
114.26 resolved the grantor's concerns; and the grantor's final decision. This documentation must
114.27 be maintained in the grantor's files.

114.28 (b) At a minimum, the grantor must require each applicant to provide the following
114.29 information:

114.30 (1) the applicant's most recent Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-N filed with the
114.31 Internal Revenue Service. If the applicant has not been in existence long enough or is not

115.1 required to file Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-N, the applicant must demonstrate
115.2 to the grantor that the applicant is exempt and must instead submit documentation of internal
115.3 controls and the applicant's most recent financial statement prepared in accordance with
115.4 generally accepted accounting principles and approved by the applicant's board of directors
115.5 or trustees or, if there is no such board, by the applicant's managing group;

115.6 (2) evidence of registration and good standing with the secretary of state under Minnesota
115.7 Statutes, chapter 317A, or other applicable law;

115.8 (3) unless exempt under Minnesota Statutes, section 309.515, evidence of registration
115.9 and good standing with the attorney general under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 309; and

115.10 (4) if required under Minnesota Statutes, section 309.53, subdivision 3, the applicant's
115.11 most recent audited financial statement prepared in accordance with generally accepted
115.12 accounting principles.

115.13 Subd. 2. **Authority to postpone or forgo.** Notwithstanding any contrary provision in
115.14 this act, a grantor that identifies an area of significant concern regarding the financial standing
115.15 or management of a legislatively named applicant may postpone or forgo awarding the
115.16 grant.

115.17 Subd. 3. **Authority to award subject to additional assistance and oversight.** A grantor
115.18 that identifies an area of significant concern regarding an applicant's financial standing or
115.19 management may award a grant to the applicant if the grantor provides or the grantee
115.20 otherwise obtains additional technical assistance, as needed, and the grantor imposes
115.21 additional requirements in the grant agreement. Additional requirements may include but
115.22 are not limited to enhanced monitoring, additional reporting, or other reasonable requirements
115.23 imposed by the grantor to protect the interests of the state.

115.24 Subd. 4. **Relation to other law and policy.** The requirements in this section are in
115.25 addition to any other requirements imposed by law; the commissioner of administration
115.26 under Minnesota Statutes, sections 16B.97 to 16B.98; or agency policy.

115.27 Sec. 58. **TRANSIT SIGNAL PRIORITY SYSTEM PLANNING.**

115.28 Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** From sales tax revenue, as defined in section 473.4465,
115.29 subdivision 1, the Metropolitan Council must convene a working group by August 1, 2023,
115.30 to perform planning on transit signal priority systems and related transit advantage
115.31 improvements on high-frequency and high-ridership bus routes in the metropolitan area, as
115.32 defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 473.121, subdivision 2.

116.1 Subd. 2. **Membership.** The Metropolitan Council must solicit the following members
116.2 to participate in the working group:

116.3 (1) one member representing Metro Transit, appointed by the Metropolitan Council;

116.4 (2) one member representing the Department of Transportation, appointed by the
116.5 commissioner of transportation;

116.6 (3) one member representing Minneapolis, appointed by the Minneapolis City Council;

116.7 (4) one member representing St. Paul, appointed by the St. Paul City Council;

116.8 (5) one member representing Hennepin County, appointed by the Hennepin County
116.9 Board;

116.10 (6) one member representing Ramsey County, appointed by the Ramsey County Board;

116.11 (7) one member from a city participating in the replacement service program under
116.12 Minnesota Statutes, section 473.388, appointed by the Suburban Transit Association;

116.13 (8) one member from the Center for Transportation Studies at the University of
116.14 Minnesota;

116.15 (9) one member from Move Minnesota; and

116.16 (10) other members as identified by the Metropolitan Council.

116.17 Subd. 3. **Duties.** At a minimum, the working group must:

116.18 (1) assess the current status and capability of transit signal priority systems among the
116.19 relevant road authorities;

116.20 (2) identify key barriers and constraints and measures to address the barriers;

116.21 (3) explore methods for ongoing coordination among the relevant road authorities;

116.22 (4) estimate costs of potential improvements; and

116.23 (5) develop a proposal or recommendations to implement transit signal priority systems
116.24 and related transit advantage improvements, including a prioritized listing of locations or
116.25 routes.

116.26 Subd. 4. **Administration.** Upon request of the working group, the Metropolitan Council
116.27 and the commissioner of transportation must provide administrative and technical support
116.28 for the working group.

116.29 Subd. 5. **Report.** By December 15, 2023, the Metropolitan Council must submit a report
116.30 on transit signal priority system improvements to the chairs and ranking minority members

117.1 of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance. At a
117.2 minimum, the report must summarize the results of the working group and provide
117.3 information on each of the activities specified in subdivision 3.

117.4 Subd. 6. **Expiration.** The working group under this section expires December 31, 2023.

117.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
117.6 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
117.7 Scott, and Washington.

117.8 Sec. 59. **TRANSIT FARE ELIMINATION PILOT PROGRAM.**

117.9 Subdivision 1. **Pilot program established.** From sales tax revenue, as defined in section
117.10 473.4465, subdivision 1, the Metropolitan Council must establish a pilot program to provide
117.11 transit service free of charge for all riders, as specified in this section.

117.12 Subd. 2. **Requirements.** (a) The Metropolitan Council must implement the pilot program:

117.13 (1) from July 1, 2023, to December 31, 2024;

117.14 (2) for two regular route bus lines, which may include express bus and bus rapid transit;

117.15 (3) on the entirety of each selected route; and

117.16 (4) during both peak and nonpeak service hours.

117.17 (b) The Metropolitan Council must prioritize transit lines to include in the pilot program
117.18 based on routes with:

117.19 (1) the highest average daily ridership;

117.20 (2) the highest estimated proportions of low-income riders;

117.21 (3) the highest estimated proportions of riders who exclusively use transit; and

117.22 (4) significant connections to destinations and other high-ridership transit lines.

117.23 Subd. 3. **Legislative report.** (a) By February 15, 2025, the Metropolitan Council must
117.24 submit a report on the pilot program to the chairs, ranking minority members, and staff of
117.25 the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance. At a
117.26 minimum, the report must include:

117.27 (1) an overview of pilot program implementation;

117.28 (2) evaluation of the effects on (i) ridership, (ii) travel time, (iii) service equity, and (iv)
117.29 rider experience and other measures of quality of life;

118.1 (3) a review of fiscal impacts, including foregone revenue, costs related to service
118.2 changes, and potential cost efficiencies;

118.3 (4) analysis of barriers, best practices, economic impacts, and other relevant
118.4 considerations; and

118.5 (5) any recommendations regarding any subsequent implementation of free transit service.

118.6 (b) For purposes of this subdivision, "staff" means those employees who are identified
118.7 in any of the following roles for the legislative committees: committee administrator,
118.8 committee legislative assistant, caucus research, fiscal analysis, counsel, or nonpartisan
118.9 research.

118.10 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
118.11 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
118.12 Scott, and Washington.

118.13 **Sec. 60. METRO MOBILITY ENHANCEMENT PILOT PROGRAM.**

118.14 Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "pilot program" means the Metro
118.15 Mobility enhancement pilot program established in this section.

118.16 Subd. 2. **Establishment.** From sales tax revenue, as defined in Minnesota Statutes,
118.17 section 473.4465, subdivision 1, the Metropolitan Council must implement a pilot program
118.18 to enhance the existing service levels of Metro Mobility under Minnesota Statutes, section
118.19 473.386.

118.20 Subd. 3. **Requirements.** The pilot program must:

118.21 (1) commence by September 1, 2023, and operate until December 31, 2025;

118.22 (2) provide for advanced scheduling of enhanced Metro Mobility service;

118.23 (3) to the extent feasible, provide service outside of the current Metro Mobility hours
118.24 of service, as follows:

118.25 (i) on weekdays from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.;

118.26 (ii) on Saturdays from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.; and

118.27 (iii) on Sundays from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.;

118.28 (4) cover the entirety of the geographic area specified in Minnesota Statutes, section
118.29 473.386, subdivision 3, clause (9); and

119.1 (5) establish rider eligibility and fares in a manner that is substantially comparable to
119.2 the requirements under Metro Mobility.

119.3 Subd. 4. **Legislative report.** By February 1, 2026, the Metropolitan Council must submit
119.4 a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with
119.5 jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance concerning the pilot program. At a
119.6 minimum, the report must:

119.7 (1) summarize pilot program implementation;

119.8 (2) provide a fiscal review that identifies uses of funds;

119.9 (3) analyze results under the pilot program, including improvements to service and
119.10 customer experience;

119.11 (4) evaluate accessibility impacts and constraints for riders who use a wheelchair or
119.12 otherwise require specialized equipment or service;

119.13 (5) consider service models, technologies, partnership models, and anticipated industry
119.14 changes;

119.15 (6) identify findings, practices, and considerations for replication in communities
119.16 throughout the state;

119.17 (7) review any modifications under consideration, planned, or implemented for the Metro
119.18 Mobility program; and

119.19 (8) make any recommendations on service improvements related to Metro Mobility,
119.20 including fiscal implications.

119.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the day following
119.22 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
119.23 Scott, and Washington.

119.24 Sec. 61. **METROPOLITAN GOVERNANCE TASK FORCE.**

119.25 Subdivision 1. **Established.** A Metropolitan Governance Task Force is established to
119.26 study and make recommendations to the legislature on reform and governance of the
119.27 Metropolitan Council.

119.28 Subd. 2. **Membership.** (a) The task force consists of the following members:

119.29 (1) four members of the senate, with two appointed by the senate majority leader and
119.30 two appointed by the senate minority leader;

120.1 (2) four members of the house of representatives, with two appointed by the speaker of
120.2 the house and two appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives;

120.3 (3) one person representing cities in the metropolitan area, appointed by the Association
120.4 of Metropolitan Municipalities;

120.5 (4) one county commissioner representing counties in the metropolitan area, appointed
120.6 by the Association of Minnesota Counties;

120.7 (5) one person representing townships in the metropolitan area, appointed by the
120.8 Minnesota Association of Townships;

120.9 (6) one person representing an employee collective bargaining unit of the Metropolitan
120.10 Council, appointed by the Minnesota AFL-CIO;

120.11 (7) one person appointed by the governor;

120.12 (8) one person representing transit, appointed by Move Minnesota;

120.13 (9) one person representing institutions of higher education, appointed by the Office of
120.14 Higher Education; and

120.15 (10) two members of the public, appointed by the Legislative Coordinating Commission.

120.16 (b) The appointing authorities under paragraph (a) must make the appointments by July
120.17 15, 2023.

120.18 Subd. 3. **Chair; other officers.** The task force shall elect from among its legislative
120.19 members a chair and vice-chair and any other officers that the task force determines would
120.20 be necessary or convenient.

120.21 Subd. 4. **Duties.** The task force shall study and evaluate options to reform and reconstitute
120.22 governance of the Metropolitan Council. The study must include an analysis of the costs
120.23 and benefits of:

120.24 (1) direct election of members to the Metropolitan Council;

120.25 (2) a combination of directly elected and appointed members to the Metropolitan Council;

120.26 (3) a council of governments which would replace the current Metropolitan Council;

120.27 (4) reapportioning responsibilities of the Metropolitan Council to state agencies and
120.28 local units of government;

120.29 (5) adoption of a home rule charter for governance of the Metropolitan Council; and

121.1 (6) any other regional governance approaches that are viable alternatives to the current
121.2 structure of the Metropolitan Council.

121.3 Subd. 5. **State; metropolitan agencies must cooperate; subcommittees.** The
121.4 Metropolitan Council and state and metropolitan agencies shall cooperate with the task
121.5 force and provide information requested in a timely fashion. The task force may establish
121.6 subcommittees and invite other stakeholders to participate in the task force's study and
121.7 development of recommendations.

121.8 Subd. 6. **Compensation.** Member compensation and reimbursement for expenses are
121.9 governed by Minnesota Statutes, section 15.059, subdivision 3.

121.10 Subd. 7. **Grants.** The task force may accept grant funds from any federal, state, local,
121.11 or nongovernmental source to support its work and offset any costs, provided accepting the
121.12 money does not create a conflict of interest for the task force or its members. The Legislative
121.13 Coordinating Commission may administer any grant money given to the task force.

121.14 Subd. 8. **Administrative support; staff.** The Legislative Coordinating Commission
121.15 must provide meeting space, administrative support, and staff support for the task force.
121.16 The task force may hold meetings in any publicly accessible location in the Capitol Complex
121.17 that is equipped with technology that can facilitate remote testimony.

121.18 Subd. 9. **Open meeting law.** Meetings of the task force are subject to Minnesota Statutes,
121.19 chapter 13D.

121.20 Subd. 10. **Report.** The task force shall report its findings and recommendations to the
121.21 chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with responsibility for
121.22 or jurisdiction over the Metropolitan Council and metropolitan agencies. The report is due
121.23 by February 1, 2024.

121.24 Subd. 11. **Expiration.** The task force expires on June 30, 2024.

121.25 **EFFECTIVE DATE; EXPIRATION; APPLICATION.** This section is effective the
121.26 day following final enactment. Subdivision 5 applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver,
121.27 Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

121.28 Sec. 62. **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL; LAND USE STUDY.**

121.29 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** The definitions provided in Minnesota Statutes, section
121.30 473.121, apply to this section.

121.31 Subd. 2. **Metropolitan land use study.** The Metropolitan Council must conduct and
121.32 complete a metropolitan land use and transportation policy study on or before June 30,

122.1 2024, that analyzes the degree to which current land use and transportation policies in the
122.2 metropolitan area support or hinder state and local governmental unit transportation,
122.3 environmental, greenhouse gas emissions, and equity goals. The study must be used to
122.4 inform the 2050 comprehensive development guide for the metropolitan area.

122.5 Subd. 3. **Study contents.** The study under this section must include:

122.6 (1) a comparison of current land use policies in the metropolitan area with alternative
122.7 growth development scenarios, including efficient land use and compact growth;

122.8 (2) a determination of the costs to local and regional metropolitan area government
122.9 services to implement efficient land use policies, including the costs to construct and maintain
122.10 transportation and water infrastructure and emergency services;

122.11 (3) an analysis of how implementation of efficient land use policies would reduce future
122.12 costs to local and regional metropolitan area government with regard to transportation and
122.13 water infrastructure and emergency services;

122.14 (4) an assessment of transportation and related infrastructure necessary to facilitate
122.15 efficient land use policies, including but not limited to estimations of road lane miles, utility
122.16 miles, and land acreage necessary to facilitate such policies;

122.17 (5) an analysis of sewer access and water access charges and policies, including an
122.18 analysis of the differences in the charges between property classifications and charges in
122.19 urban, suburban, and rural areas;

122.20 (6) the estimated impact implementation of efficient land use policies would have on
122.21 vehicle miles traveled, access to jobs in essential services, transit viability, and commute
122.22 modal share in the metropolitan area; and

122.23 (7) any other data or analyses the Metropolitan Council deems relevant.

122.24 Subd. 4. **Report.** The Metropolitan Council must submit a copy of the study under this
122.25 section to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with
122.26 jurisdiction over local government and transportation policy and finance by February 1,
122.27 2025.

122.28 Sec. 63. **LEGISLATIVE REPORT; SPEED SAFETY CAMERAS.**

122.29 (a) By January 3, 2024, the commissioner of public safety must submit a report to the
122.30 chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over
122.31 transportation policy and finance that identifies a process and associated policies for issuance

123.1 of a mailed citation to the owner or lessee of a motor vehicle that a speed safety camera
123.2 system detects is operated in violation of a speed limit.

123.3 (b) The commissioner must convene a task force to assist in the development of the
123.4 report. The task force must include the Advisory Council on Traffic Safety under Minnesota
123.5 Statutes, section 4.076, a representative from the Minnesota County Attorneys Association,
123.6 and a person with expertise in data privacy and may include other members as the
123.7 commissioner determines are necessary to develop the report.

123.8 (c) At a minimum, the report must include consideration and analysis of:

123.9 (1) methods to identify the owner, operator, and any lessee of the motor vehicle;

123.10 (2) compliance with federal enforcement requirements related to holders of a commercial
123.11 driver's license;

123.12 (3) authority of individuals who are not peace officers to issue citations;

123.13 (4) data practices, including but not limited to concerns related to data privacy;

123.14 (5) due process, an appeals process, and the judicial system;

123.15 (6) technology options, constraints, and factors;

123.16 (7) other legal issues; and

123.17 (8) recommendations regarding implementation, including but not limited to any
123.18 legislative proposal and information on implementation costs.

123.19 **Sec. 64. REVISOR INSTRUCTION.**

123.20 The revisor of statutes must change the terms "driver services operating account" and
123.21 "vehicle services operating account" to "driver and vehicle services account" wherever the
123.22 terms appear in Minnesota Statutes. The revisor must change any references to Minnesota
123.23 Statutes, section 299A.705, subdivision 2, to reference Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.705,
123.24 subdivision 1, and must correct any related cross-references made necessary by the changes
123.25 in this act.

123.26 **Sec. 65. REPEALER.**

123.27 (a) Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 360.915, subdivision 5, is repealed.

123.28 (b) Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 168.121, subdivision 5; 168.1282, subdivision 5;
123.29 168.1294, subdivision 5; 168.1299, subdivision 4; and 299A.705, subdivision 2, are repealed.

124.1

ARTICLE 5

124.2

INDEPENDENT EXPERT REVIEW

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

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

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

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

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

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

124.22 ~~(d) Fees collected under paragraph (b) for driver's license, instruction permit, and~~
124.23 ~~Minnesota identification card records must be paid into the state treasury with 50 cents of~~
124.24 ~~each fee credited to the general fund. the remainder of the fees collected must be credited~~
124.25 ~~to the driver services operating account in the special revenue fund under section 299A.705.~~

124.26 ~~(e) Fees~~ (d) Of the fee collected by the commissioner under paragraphs (b) and (c) for
124.27 ~~vehicle registration or title records must be paid into the state treasury with, 50 cents of~~
124.28 ~~each fee credited to~~ must be deposited in the general fund., and the remainder of the fees
124.29 ~~collected must be credited to~~ must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating
124.30 ~~account in the special revenue fund specified in~~ under section 299A.705.

125.1 (e) Of the fee collected by a full-service provider under paragraphs (b) and (c), the
125.2 provider must transmit 50 cents of each fee to the commissioner for deposit in the general
125.3 fund, and the provider must retain the remainder.

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

125.8 (1) \$2.70 must be deposited in the general fund; and

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

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

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

125.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023. Paragraph (a) is effective
125.17 January 1, 2024, and applies to record requests made on or after that date.

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

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

125.25 (b) The surcharge only applies to a fee imposed in response to a request made in person
125.26 ~~or, by mail, or to a request for transmittal through a computer modem~~ online. The surcharge
125.27 does not apply to the request of an individual for information about that individual's driver's
125.28 license, instruction permit, or Minnesota identification card or about vehicles registered or
125.29 titled in the individual's name.

125.30 (c) The surcharges collected by the commissioner under this subdivision must be credited
125.31 to the general fund. The surcharges collected by a full-service provider must be transmitted
125.32 to the commissioner for deposit in the general fund.

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

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

126.4 Subd. 3. **Exception to fee and surcharge.** (a) Notwithstanding subdivision 2 or section
126.5 13.03, a fee or surcharge may not be imposed in response to a request for public information
126.6 about the registration of a vehicle if the commissioner or full-service provider is satisfied
126.7 that:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

126.24 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.345, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

126.25 Subd. 2. **Lessees; information.** The commissioner may not furnish information about
126.26 registered owners of passenger automobiles who are lessees under a lease for a term of 180
126.27 days or more to any person except the owner of the vehicle, the lessee, personnel of law
126.28 enforcement agencies and trade associations performing a member service under section
126.29 604.15, subdivision 4a, and federal, state, and local governmental units, and, at the
126.30 commissioner's discretion, to persons who use the information to notify lessees of automobile
126.31 recalls. The commissioner may release information about lessees in the form of summary

127.1 data, as defined in section 13.02, to persons who use the information in conducting statistical
127.2 analysis and market research.

127.3 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.09, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

127.23 ~~(3)~~ (2) the commissioner of public safety may verify with insurance companies vehicle
127.24 insurance information to enforce sections 65B.48, 169.792, 169.793, 169.796, and 169.797;

127.25 ~~(4)~~ (3) the commissioner of public safety ~~shall~~ must provide the commissioner of
127.26 transportation the information obtained for each traffic accident involving a commercial
127.27 motor vehicle, for purposes of administering commercial vehicle safety regulations;

127.28 ~~(5)~~ (4) upon specific request, the commissioner of public safety ~~shall~~ must provide the
127.29 commissioner of transportation the information obtained regarding each traffic accident
127.30 involving damage to identified state-owned infrastructure, for purposes of debt collection
127.31 under section 161.20, subdivision 4; and

128.1 ~~(6)~~ (5) the commissioner of public safety may give to the United States Department of
128.2 Transportation commercial vehicle accident information in connection with federal grant
128.3 programs relating to safety.

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

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

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

128.20 (e) The commissioner of public safety ~~shall~~ or full-service provider as defined in section
128.21 171.01, subdivision 33a, must charge authorized persons as described in paragraph (a) a \$5
128.22 fee for a copy of an accident report. Ninety percent of the \$5 fee collected by the
128.23 commissioner under this paragraph must be deposited in ~~the special revenue fund and~~
128.24 ~~credited to the driver and vehicle services operating account established in~~ under section
128.25 299A.705 and ten percent must be deposited in the general fund. Of the \$5 fee collected by
128.26 a full-service provider, the provider must transmit 50 cents to the commissioner for deposit
128.27 in the general fund, and the provider must retain the remainder. The commissioner may also
128.28 furnish an electronic copy of the database of accident records, which must not contain
128.29 personal or private data on an individual, to private agencies as provided in paragraph (g),
128.30 for not less than the cost of preparing the copies on a bulk basis as provided in section 13.03,
128.31 subdivision 3.

128.32 (f) The fees specified in paragraph (e) notwithstanding, the commissioner and law
128.33 enforcement agencies ~~shall~~ must charge commercial users who request access to response
128.34 or incident data relating to accidents a fee not to exceed 50 cents per record. "Commercial

129.1 user" is a user who in one location requests access to data in more than five accident reports
129.2 per month, unless the user establishes that access is not for a commercial purpose. Of the
129.3 money collected by the commissioner under this paragraph, 90 percent must be deposited
129.4 ~~in the special revenue fund and credited to the driver and vehicle services operating account~~
129.5 ~~established in~~ under section 299A.705 and ten percent must be deposited in the general
129.6 fund.

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

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

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

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

129.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023. Paragraph (a) is effective
129.20 January 1, 2024, and applies to report disclosures made on or after that date.

129.21 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.09, is amended by adding a subdivision to
129.22 read:

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

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

129.28 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to
129.29 read:

129.30 **Subd. 33a. Full-service provider.** "Full-service provider" has the meaning given in
129.31 section 168.002, subdivision 12a.

130.1 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.06, is amended by adding a subdivision to
 130.2 read:

130.3 Subd. 12. **Preapplication.** The commissioner must establish a process for an applicant
 130.4 to submit an electronic preapplication for a driver's license or identification card. The
 130.5 commissioner must design the preapplication so that the applicant must enter information
 130.6 required for the application. The preapplication process must generate a list of documents
 130.7 the applicant is required to submit in person at the time of the application. At the time an
 130.8 individual schedules an appointment to apply for a driver's license or identification card,
 130.9 the commissioner, full-service provider, or driver's license agent who is scheduling the
 130.10 appointment must provide to the applicant a link to the preapplication website.

130.11 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.061, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

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

- 130.14 (1) New application for a noncompliant, REAL ID-compliant, or \$ 16.00
 130.15 enhanced driver's license or identification card
- 130.16 (2) Renewal application for a noncompliant, REAL ID-compliant, or \$ 11.00
 130.17 enhanced driver's license or identification card

130.18 Except as provided in paragraph (c), the fee ~~shall~~ must cover all expenses involved in
 130.19 receiving, accepting, or forwarding to the department the applications and fees required
 130.20 under sections 171.02, subdivision 3; 171.06, subdivisions 2 and 2a; and 171.07, subdivisions
 130.21 3 and 3a.

130.22 (b) The statutory fees and the filing fees imposed under paragraph (a) may be paid by
 130.23 credit card or debit card. The driver's license agent may collect a convenience fee on the
 130.24 statutory fees and filing fees not greater than the cost of processing a credit card or debit
 130.25 card transaction. The convenience fee must be used to pay the cost of processing credit card
 130.26 and debit card transactions. The commissioner ~~shall~~ must adopt rules to administer this
 130.27 paragraph using the exempt procedures of section 14.386, except that section 14.386,
 130.28 paragraph (b), does not apply.

130.29 (c) The department shall maintain the photo identification equipment for all agents
 130.30 appointed as of January 1, 2000. Upon the retirement, resignation, death, or discontinuance
 130.31 of an existing agent, and if a new agent is appointed in an existing office pursuant to
 130.32 Minnesota Rules, chapter 7404, and notwithstanding the above or Minnesota Rules, part
 130.33 7404.0400, the department shall provide and maintain photo identification equipment without
 130.34 additional cost to a newly appointed agent in that office if the office was provided the

131.1 equipment by the department before January 1, 2000. All photo identification equipment
131.2 must be compatible with standards established by the department.

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

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

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

131.14 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.0705, is amended by adding a subdivision
131.15 to read:

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

131.21 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.13, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

131.22 Subdivision 1. **Examination subjects and locations; provisions for color blindness,**
131.23 **disabled veterans.** (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the commissioner ~~shall~~
131.24 must examine each applicant for a driver's license by such agency as the commissioner
131.25 directs. This examination must include:

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

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

131.30 (3) a test of the applicant's knowledge of (i) traffic laws; (ii) the effects of alcohol and
131.31 drugs on a driver's ability to operate a motor vehicle safely and legally, and of the legal
131.32 penalties and financial consequences resulting from violations of laws prohibiting the

132.1 operation of a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs; (iii) railroad
132.2 grade crossing safety; (iv) slow-moving vehicle safety; (v) laws relating to pupil
132.3 transportation safety, including the significance of school bus lights, signals, stop arm, and
132.4 passing a school bus; (vi) traffic laws related to bicycles; and (vii) the circumstances and
132.5 dangers of carbon monoxide poisoning;

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

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

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

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

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

132.22 (e) The commissioner must provide real-time information on the department's website
132.23 about the availability and location of exam appointments. The website must show the next
132.24 available exam dates and times for each exam station. The website must also provide an
132.25 option for a person to enter an address to see the date and time of the next available exam
132.26 at each exam station sorted by distance from the address provided.

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

132.28 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.13, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

132.29 Subd. 1a. **Waiver when license issued by another jurisdiction.** (a) If the commissioner
132.30 determines that an applicant for a driver's license is 21 years of age or older and possesses
132.31 a valid driver's license issued by another state or jurisdiction that requires a comparable
132.32 examination to obtain a driver's license, the commissioner ~~may~~ must waive the ~~requirement~~
132.33 requirements that the applicant pass a knowledge examination and demonstrate ability to

133.1 exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the operation of a motor vehicle ~~on determining~~
133.2 ~~that the applicant possesses a valid driver's license issued by a jurisdiction that requires a~~
133.3 ~~comparable demonstration for license issuance.~~

133.4 (b) If the commissioner determines that an applicant for a two-wheeled vehicle
133.5 endorsement is 21 years of age or older and possesses a valid driver's license with a
133.6 two-wheeled vehicle endorsement issued by another state or jurisdiction that requires a
133.7 comparable examination to obtain an endorsement, the commissioner must waive the
133.8 requirements with respect to the endorsement that the applicant pass a knowledge examination
133.9 and demonstrate the ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the operation of
133.10 a motor vehicle.

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

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

133.20 Sec. 15. [171.375] STUDENT PASS RATE.

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

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

133.30 Sec. 16. **REPEALER.**

133.31 Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.345, subdivision 1, is repealed.

134.1 Sec. 17. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

134.2 Except where otherwise specified, this article is effective August 1, 2023.

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.

168.345 USE OF VEHICLE REGISTRATION INFORMATION.

Subdivision 1. **Information by telephone.** Information about vehicle registrations shall not be furnished on the telephone to any person except the personnel of law enforcement agencies and the personnel of governmental motor vehicle and registration offices.

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).