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Authored by Fabian, Miller and Backer The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Regional Governance Policy

A bill for an act

relating to motor vehicles; modifying load securement requirements; permitting

certain release of water when transporting sugar beets; amending Minnesota Statutes

1.4	2016, section 169.81, subdivision 5.
1.5	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
1.6	Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 169.81, subdivision 5, is amended to read:
1.7	Subd. 5. Manner of loading. No (a) A vehicle shall must not be driven or moved on
1.8	any highway unless such the vehicle is so constructed, loaded, or the load securely covered
1.9	as to prevent any of its load from dropping, sifting, leaking, blowing, or otherwise escaping
1.10	therefrom, except that.
1.11	(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), a vehicle or combination of vehicles may:
1.12	(1) drop sand may be dropped for the purpose of securing to secure traction, or;
1.13	(2) sprinkle water or other substances may be sprinkled on a roadway in cleaning or
1.14	maintaining such to clean or maintain the roadway; or
1.15	(3) leak water if transporting sugar beets.
1.16	(c) This subdivision shall does not apply to motor vehicles operated by a farmer or the
1.17	farmer's agent when transporting produce such as small grains, shelled corn, soybeans, or
1.18	other farm produce of a size and density not likely to cause injury to persons or damage to
1.19	property on escaping in small amounts from a vehicle.
1.20	(d) A violation of this subdivision by a vehicle that is carrying farm produce and that is
1.21	not exempted by the preceding sentence under paragraph (c) is a petty misdemeanor.
1.22	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
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