# SENATE
## STATE OF MINNESOTA
## NINETIETH SESSION

# S.F. No. 530

1.1          A bill for an act

1.2          relating to transportation; requiring the commissioner of transportation to report
1.3          to the legislature on use of tolling and on MnPASS lanes.

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

1.5     Section 1. **REPORT BY COMMISSIONER OF TRANSPORTATION ON TOLLING.**

1.6          On or before January 2, 2018, the commissioner of transportation shall report to the

1.7     chairs and ranking minority members of the senate and house of representatives committees

1.8     and divisions with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance concerning expanding

1.9     the use of tolling in Minnesota in order to reduce congestion and raise revenue. The report

1.10    must be prepared with existing appropriations. At a minimum, the report must:

1.11         (1) summarize current state and federal laws that affect the use of tolling in this state;

1.12         (2) identify any federal pilot projects for which this state is eligible to participate;

1.13         (3) discuss the feasibility and cost of expanding use of tolling, the possibility of private

1.14    investment in toll roads, and projected costs and cost recovery in establishing, operating,

1.15    and maintaining toll roads;

1.16         (4) review tolling models and technology options;

1.17         (5) summarize the experience of other states that have widely implemented tolling;

1.18         (6) identify and evaluate the feasibility of toll implementation for specific corridors;

1.19         (7) project the likely range of revenues that could be generated by wider implementation

1.20    of tolling and identify the percentage of revenues that are projected to be paid by nonresidents

1.21    of the state;

2.1          (8) discuss options for use of tolling revenue and measures to ensure compliance with

2.2     laws governing operation of toll roads and use of revenues;

2.3          (9) recommend and discuss possible ways to reduce cost to Minnesotans, such as tax

2.4     deductions or credits, or types of discounts; and

2.5          (10) provide recommendations for needed statutory or rule changes that would facilitate

2.6     wider implementation of tolling and achieve maximum revenues for the state and equity

2.7     for its residents.

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

2.9          Sec. 2. **REPORT BY COMMISSIONER OF TRANSPORTATION ON MNPASS**

2.10    **LANES.**

2.11         On or before January 2, 2018, the commissioner of transportation shall report to the

2.12    chairs and ranking minority members of the senate and house of representatives committees

2.13    and divisions with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance concerning MnPASS

2.14    lanes to reduce congestion and raise revenue. The report must be prepared with existing

2.15    appropriations. At a minimum, the report must:

2.16         (1) for each lane, state the capital costs, maintenance and repair costs, and operation

2.17    costs;

2.18         (2) for each lane, indicate the current condition and the projected life expectancy;

2.19         (3) for each lane, list and explain the cost recovery ratio for each lane;

2.20         (4) list the amounts of the deposit of revenues made each year since pursuant to Minnesota

2.21    Statutes, section 160.93, subdivisions 2 and 2a, including a breakdown of deposits for each

2.22    lane for each year the lane has been in existence;

2.23         (5) list the cost to participate in the MnPASS program, broken down by each year a lane

2.24    has been in existence;

2.25         (6) for each lane, list the total number of users, including a breakdown of the total number

2.26    of each type of user; and

2.27         (7) an explanation of how MnPASS lane regulations are enforced.

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