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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIRST SESSION

H. F. No. 3476

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Transportation Finance and Policy Division
03/02/2020 Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register as Amended
Read for the Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to motor vehicles; allowing new and used school buses sold in the state
1.3 to operate with an interim inspection certificate; amending Minnesota Statutes
1.4 2018, section 169.451, subdivisions 2, 4, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 169.451, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 2. Inspection certificate. Except as provided in subdivision 2a, no person shall
1.8 drive, or no owner shall knowingly permit or cause to be driven, any school bus or Head
1.9 Start bus unless there is displayed thereon a certificate issued by the commissioner of public
1.10 safety stating that on a certain date, which shall be within 13 months of the date of operation,
1.11 a member of the Minnesota State Patrol inspected the bus and found that on the date of
1.12 inspection the bus complied with the applicable provisions of state law relating to
1.13 construction, design, equipment, and color.

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

1.15 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 169.451, is amended by adding a subdivision to
1.16 read:

1.17 Subd. 2a. Interim inspection; certificate. In lieu of the certificate required in subdivision
1.18 2, a new or used school bus being sold by a dealer in this state may display an interim
1.19 inspection certificate. The school bus dealer completing the preregistration certificate
1.20 required in section 168.102 may inspect the bus to determine if the bus complies with the
1.21 applicable provisions of state law relating to construction, design, equipment, and color. If
1.22 the bus complies with the applicable provisions of state law, the dealer may affix the interim

2.1 inspection certificate to the school bus, indicating that on the date of the inspection, the bus
2.2 complied with the applicable provisions of state law relating to construction, design,
2.3 equipment, and color. The interim certificate must include the date of the inspection and
2.4 must be valid until the owner's next scheduled annual inspection, but must not be valid for
2.5 more than 12 months following the month of the initial inspection. The commissioner must
2.6 provide the prescribed interim inspection certificates at no cost to the dealer.

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

2.8 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 169.451, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

2.9 Subd. 4. **Violation; penalty.** The State Patrol shall enforce ~~subdivision~~ subdivisions 2
2.10 and 2a. A violation of subdivision 2 is person who operates a school bus without a valid
2.11 inspection certificate issued pursuant to subdivision 2 or an interim inspection certificate
2.12 issued pursuant to subdivision 2a is guilty of a misdemeanor.

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