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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **2249**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to transportation; prohibiting the establishment of a bikeway if it would
- 1.3 eliminate or relocate disability parking; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, section
- 1.4 160.263, subdivision 2.
- 1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 160.263, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- 1.7 Subd. 2. **Powers of political subdivisions.** (a) The governing body of any political
- 1.8 subdivision may by ordinance or resolution:
- 1.9 (1) designate any roadway or shoulder or portion thereof under its jurisdiction as a
- 1.10 bicycle lane or bicycle route;
- 1.11 (2) designate any sidewalk or portion thereof under its jurisdiction as a bicycle path
- 1.12 provided that the designation does not destroy a pedestrian way or pedestrian access;
- 1.13 (3) develop and designate bicycle paths;
- 1.14 (4) designate as bikeways all bicycle lanes, bicycle routes, and bicycle paths.
- 1.15 (b) A governing body may not prohibit or otherwise restrict operation of an
- 1.16 electric-assisted bicycle, as defined in section 169.011, subdivision 27, on any bikeway,
- 1.17 roadway, or shoulder, unless the governing body determines that operation of the
- 1.18 electric-assisted bicycle is not consistent with (1) the safety or general welfare of bikeway,
- 1.19 roadway, or shoulder users; or (2) the terms of any property conveyance.
- 1.20 (c) A governing body is prohibited from establishing a bikeway in a segment of public
- 1.21 road right-of-way that results in the elimination or relocation of any disability parking that
- 1.22 is designated under section 169.346, subdivision 2.

2.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2021.