

S.F. No. 2597, as introduced - 87th Legislative Session (2011-2012) [12-6008]

2.1 Subdivision 1. **Fees authorized.** To improve efficiency and provide more options
2.2 to individuals traveling in a trunk highway corridor, the commissioner of transportation
2.3 may charge user fees to owners or operators of single-occupant vehicles using dynamic
2.4 shoulder lanes as designated by the commissioner ~~and~~, any designated high-occupancy
2.5 vehicle lanes, and any other high-occupancy toll lanes. The fees may be collected using
2.6 electronic or other toll-collection methods and may vary in amount with the time of day
2.7 and level of traffic congestion within the corridor. The commissioner shall consult with
2.8 the Metropolitan Council and obtain necessary federal authorizations before implementing
2.9 user fees on a high-occupancy vehicle lane or dynamic shoulder lane. Fees under this
2.10 section are not subject to section 16A.1283.

2.11 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 160.93, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

2.12 Subd. 2. **Deposit of revenues; appropriation.** (a) ~~Except as provided in subdivision~~
2.13 ~~2a,~~ Money collected from fees authorized under subdivision 1 must be deposited in a
2.14 high-occupancy vehicle lane user fee account in the special revenue fund. ~~A separate~~
2.15 ~~account must be established for each trunk highway corridor.~~ Money in the account is
2.16 appropriated to the commissioner.

2.17 (b) From this appropriation the commissioner shall ~~first repay the trunk highway~~
2.18 ~~fund and any other fund source for money spent to install, equip, or modify the corridor~~
2.19 ~~for the purposes of subdivision 1, and then shall pay all the costs of implementing and~~
2.20 for administering and operating the fee collection system for that corridor, including
2.21 payments for operating the fee collection system, and for maintaining and operating
2.22 tolling and related equipment.

2.23 (c) The commissioner shall spend remaining money in the account ~~as follows:~~

2.24 (1) ~~one-half must be spent~~ for transportation capital improvements within the
2.25 ~~corridor, and~~ MnPASS system, including the replacement of tolling and related equipment.

2.26 (2) ~~one-half must be transferred to the Metropolitan Council for expansion and~~
2.27 ~~improvement of bus transit services within the corridor beyond the level of service~~
2.28 ~~provided on the date of implementation of subdivision 1.~~

2.29 Sec. 4. **REPEALER.**

2.30 Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 160.93, subdivision 2a, is repealed.