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Introduction and first reading

OFFICIAL STATUS

Referred to Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Legacy Finance

1.1 A bill for an act  
 1.2 relating to natural resources; establishing bicycle pass for state trails; establishing  
 1.3 fee; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes,  
 1.4 chapter 85.

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

1.6 Section 1. **[85.48] BICYCLE PASS.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Pass in possession.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), while riding  
 1.8 a bicycle on lands administered by the commissioner, a person 16 years of age or over must  
 1.9 carry a valid bicycle pass in immediate possession. The pass must be available for inspection  
 1.10 by a peace officer, a conservation officer, or an employee designated under section 84.0835.  
 1.11 A person who violates this subdivision is guilty of a petty misdemeanor.

1.12 (b) A valid bicycle pass is not required under this section for a person riding on property  
 1.13 that is owned by the person or the person's spouse, child, parent, or guardian.

1.14 Subd. 2. **License agents.** (a) The commissioner of natural resources may appoint agents  
 1.15 to issue and sell bicycle passes. The commissioner may revoke the appointment of an agent  
 1.16 at any time.

1.17 (b) The commissioner may adopt additional rules as provided in section 97A.485,  
 1.18 subdivision 11. An agent must observe all rules adopted by the commissioner for the  
 1.19 accounting and handling of passes according to section 97A.485, subdivision 11.

1.20 (c) An agent must promptly deposit and remit all money received from the sale of passes,  
 1.21 except issuing fees, to the commissioner.

2.1 Subd. 3. **Issuance.** The commissioner of natural resources and agents must issue and  
2.2 sell bicycle passes. The pass must include the applicant's signature and other information  
2.3 deemed necessary by the commissioner. To be valid, a daily or annual pass must be signed  
2.4 by the person riding the bicycle and a commercial annual pass must be signed by the owner  
2.5 of the commercial operation.

2.6 Subd. 4. **Pass fees.** (a) The fee for an annual bicycle pass is \$10 for an individual 16  
2.7 years of age and over. The fee must be collected at the time the pass is purchased. Annual  
2.8 passes are valid for one year beginning January 1 and ending December 31.

2.9 (b) The fee for a daily bicycle pass is \$2 for an individual 16 years of age and over. The  
2.10 fee must be collected at the time the pass is purchased. The daily pass is valid only for the  
2.11 date designated on the pass form.

2.12 (c) The fee for a commercial annual bicycle pass is \$100 and includes issuance of 20  
2.13 passes. Additional or individual commercial annual bicycle passes may be purchased by  
2.14 the commercial operation for a fee of \$10 each. Commercial annual bicycle passes are valid  
2.15 for one year beginning January 1 and ending December 31 and may be affixed to the bicycles  
2.16 owned by the commercial operation. Commercial annual bicycle passes are not transferable  
2.17 to another commercial operation. For the purposes of this section, a "commercial operation"  
2.18 is an operation where bicycles are used for rental or other recreational activities or use by  
2.19 others.

2.20 Subd. 5. **Issuing fee.** In addition to the fee for a bicycle pass, an issuing fee of \$1 per  
2.21 pass must be charged. The issuing fee must be retained by the seller of the pass. Issuing  
2.22 fees for passes sold by the commissioner of natural resources must be deposited in the state  
2.23 treasury and credited to the bicycle pass account in the natural resources fund and are  
2.24 appropriated to the commissioner for operating the electronic licensing system. A pass must  
2.25 indicate the amount of the fee that is retained by the seller.

2.26 Subd. 6. **Disposition of receipts.** Fees collected under this section, except for the issuing  
2.27 fee, must be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the bicycle pass account in the  
2.28 natural resources fund. Except for the electronic licensing system commission established  
2.29 by the commissioner under section 84.027, subdivision 15, the fees are appropriated to the  
2.30 commissioner of natural resources for development, maintenance, and rehabilitation of and  
2.31 enforcement on bicycle trails or trails authorized for bicycle use on land administered by  
2.32 the commissioner.

2.33 Subd. 7. **Duplicate bicycle passes.** The commissioner of natural resources and agents  
2.34 must issue a duplicate pass to a person or commercial operation owner whose pass is lost

- 3.1 or destroyed using the process established under section 97A.405, subdivision 3, and rules
- 3.2 adopted thereunder. The fee for a duplicate bicycle pass is \$2, with an issuing fee of 50
- 3.3 cents.