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

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relating to transportation; modifying provisions governing transportation policy 12 and finance, including trunk highway designation, work and contracting on 1.3 trunk highways, motor vehicles, motor vehicle weight limit regulations, motor 1.4 vehicle titles, manufactured home titles, driver's education, metropolitan area 1.5 transit service and fares, bridge inspections, brake requirements, special veterans 1.6 license plates, pupil transportation, municipal state-aid street fund eligibility and 1.7 apportionment, small vehicle passenger service, driver and vehicle information 1.8 system, deputy registrars of motor vehicles, civilian escort drivers, bicycle 19 equipment, school buses, small business contracts, and legislative reports; 1.10 making contingent appropriations; setting fees; renumbering statutes; making 1.11 technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2010, sections 13.72, by adding 1.12 a subdivision; 160.27, by adding a subdivision; 160.2715; 161.14, by adding a 1.13 subdivision; 161.20, subdivision 4; 161.321; 161.3212; 162.09, by adding a 1.14 subdivision; 165.01; 165.03; 168.013, subdivision 3; 168.10, subdivision 1a; 1.15 168.185; 168A.01, subdivision 16, by adding subdivisions; 168A.02, subdivision 1 16 3; 168A.04, subdivisions 1, 5, by adding a subdivision; 168A.05, subdivisions 1, 1.17 1a, 1b, 3; 168A.09, by adding a subdivision; 168A.141, subdivision 1; 168A.15, 1 18 subdivision 2; 169.06, subdivision 4; 169.222, subdivision 6; 169.4501, 1.19 subdivisions 1, 2; 169.4503, subdivisions 5, 20, by adding subdivisions; 169.451, 1.20 subdivision 3; 169.4582, subdivision 2; 169.72, subdivision 1; 169.801, 1.21 subdivision 10; 169.81, subdivision 3; 169.86, subdivision 3b; 169.872, 1.22 subdivision 1a; 169.98, subdivisions 1, 3; 171.02, subdivision 2b; 174.03, 1 23 subdivision 1b; 221.091, subdivision 2; 299D.085, subdivision 1, by adding 1.24 a subdivision; 299D.09; 473.388, subdivisions 2, 4; Minnesota Statutes 2011 1 25 Supplement, sections 168.123, subdivision 1; 171.05, subdivision 2; 171.06, 1.26 subdivision 2; 299A.705, subdivision 3; Laws 2009, chapter 158, section 10; 1.27 Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 3, article 1, section 4; proposing 1.28 coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 161; 168A; 171; repealing 1.29 Minnesota Statutes 2010, sections 169.441, subdivision 5; 169.445, subdivision 1.30 2; 169.454, subdivision 10; Minnesota Rules, parts 8810.9000; 8810.9100; 1.31 8810.9200; 8810.9300; 8810.9400; 8810.9500; 8810.9600; 8810.9700. 1 32

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

1.34 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 13.72, is amended by adding a subdivision

to read:

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2.1	Subd. 17. Construction manager/general contractor data. When the Department
2.2	of Transportation undertakes a construction manager/general contractor contract, as
2.3	defined and authorized in sections 161.3207 to 161.3209, the provisions of this subdivision
2.4	apply.
2.5	(a) When the commissioner of transportation solicits a request for qualifications:
2.6	(1) the following data are classified as protected nonpublic data:
2.7	(i) the statement of qualifications scoring evaluation manual; and
2.8	(ii) the statement of qualifications evaluations;
2.9	(2) the following data are classified as nonpublic data: the statement of qualifications
2.10	submitted by a potential construction manager/general contractor; and
2.11	(3) the following data are classified as private data on individuals: identifying
2.12	information concerning the members of the technical review committee.
2.13	(b) When the commissioner of transportation announces the short list of qualified
2.14	construction managers/general contractors, the following data become public:
2.15	(1) the statement of qualifications scoring evaluation manual; and
2.16	(2) the statement of qualifications evaluations.
2.17	(c) When the commissioner of transportation solicits a request for proposals:
2.18	(1) the following data are classified as protected nonpublic data: the proposal
2.19	scoring manual; and
2.20	(2) the following data are classified as nonpublic data:
2.21	(i) the proposals submitted by a potential construction manager/general contractor;
2.22	<u>and</u>
2.23	(ii) the proposal evaluations.
2.24	(d) When the commissioner of transportation has completed the ranking of proposals
2.25	and announces the selected construction manager/general contractor, the proposal
2.26	evaluation score or rank and proposal evaluations become public.
2.27	(e) When the commissioner of transportation conducts contract negotiations
2.28	with a construction manager/general contractor, government data created, collected,
2.29	stored, and maintained during those negotiations are nonpublic data until a construction
2.30	manager/general contractor contract is fully executed.
2.31	(f) When the construction manager/general contractor contract is fully executed or
2.32	when the commissioner of transportation decides to use another contract procurement
2.33	process other than construction manager/general contractor authority authorized under
2.34	section 161.3209, subdivision 3, paragraph (b), all remaining data not already made public
2.35	under this subdivision become public.

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3.1	(g) If the commissioner of transportation rejects all responses to a request for
3.2	proposals before a construction manager/general contractor contract is fully executed,
3.3	all data other than that data made public under this subdivision retains its classification
3.4	until a resolicitation of the request for proposals results in a fully executed construction
3.5	manager/general contractor contract, or a determination is made to abandon the project. If
3.6	a resolicitation of proposals does not occur within one year of the announcement of the
3.7	request for proposals, the remaining data become public.
3.8	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment and
3.9	expires following the acceptance of ten construction manager/general contractor contracts.
3.10	Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 160.27, is amended by adding a subdivision
3.11	to read:
3.12	Subd. 7a. Trunk highway; temporary sign. (a) A road authority, including a city,
3.13	may by permit allow temporary placement of a sign on a pedestrian bridge or overpass
3.14	over a trunk highway, when the pedestrian bridge or road constituting the overpass is
3.15	under the jurisdiction of that road authority.
3.16	(b) A sign placed under the permit:
3.17	(1) may not be otherwise prohibited under section 173.15, clauses (1) to (3);
3.18	(2) may not reduce the clearance height of the bridge or overpass for vehicles
3.19	traveling on the trunk highway;
3.20	(3) must be secured to the bridge or overpass in a manner that poses no safety
3.21	hazards; and
3.22	(4) may be placed for no more than three consecutive days.
3.23	(c) A road authority may issue only one temporary sign permit at a time for each
3.24	direction of travel under a pedestrian bridge or overpass.
3.25	(d) A road authority that chooses to issue permits under this subdivision shall
3.26	establish application procedures and conditions for permit issuance. At least seven days
3.27	prior to issuance of a permit, the road authority shall notify the commissioner of the permit
3.28	application and location, and provide a detailed description of the sign. The commissioner
3.29	may provide recommendations to the road authority concerning the permit, but may not
3.30	prohibit permit issuance or sign placement.
3.31	(e) For purposes of this subdivision, a sign includes a banner, placard, or flags.
3.32	Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 160.2715, is amended to read:
3.33	160.2715 RIGHT-OF-WAY USE; MISDEMEANORS.

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(a) Except for the actions of the road authorities, their agents, employees,	
contractors, and utilities in carrying out their duties imposed by law or contract, and	
except as herein provided, it shall be unlawful to:	
(1) obstruct any highway or deposit snow or ice thereon;	
(2) plow or perform any other detrimental operation within the road right-of-way	7
except in the preparation of the land for planting permanent vegetative cover or as	
authorized under section 160.232;	
(3) erect a fence on the right-of-way of a trunk highway, county state-aid highway	y,
county highway, or town road, except to erect a lane fence to the ends of a livestock pas	ss;
(4) erect or reconstruct driveway headwalls in or on the right-of-way of a highwa	ıy
or road, except as may be allowed by permit from the road authority imposing reasonal	ble
regulations as are necessary to prevent interference with the construction, maintenance	;,
and safe use of the highway or road and its appurtenances;	
(5) dig any holes in any highway, except to locate markers placed to identify	
sectional corner positions and private boundary corners;	
(6) remove any earth, gravel, or rock from any highway;	
(7) obstruct any ditch draining any highway or drain any noisome materials into	
any ditch;	
(8) place or maintain any building or structure within the limits of any highway;	
(9) place or maintain any advertisement within the limits of any highway, except	as
provided in section 160.27 , subdivision 7 ;	
(10) paint, print, place, or affix any advertisement or any object within the limits	of
any highway, except as provided in section 160.27 , subdivision 7 ;	
(11) deface, mar, damage, or tamper with any structure, work, material, equipment	nt,
tools, signs, markers, signals, paving, guardrails, drains, or any other highway	
appurtenance on or along any highway;	
(12) remove, injure, displace, or destroy right-of-way markers, or reference or	
witness monuments, or markers placed to preserve section or quarter-section corners;	
(13) improperly place or fail to place warning signs and detour signs as provided	by
law.	

the purpose of preventing traffic from passing over a portion of a highway closed to public travel or to remove, deface, or damage any such barricade, fence, or obstruction. (b) Any violation of this section is a misdemeanor.

(14) drive over, through, or around any barricade, fence, or obstruction erected for

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Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 161.14, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 70. Black and Yellow Trail. Trunk Highway signed 14 as of the effective date of this section, from the border with South Dakota to the border with Wisconsin, is designated as the "Black and Yellow Trail." The commissioner shall adopt a suitable design to mark this highway and erect appropriate signs, subject to section 161.139.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 161.20, subdivision 4, is amended to read: Subd. 4. **Debt collection.** The commissioner shall make reasonable and businesslike efforts to collect money owed for licenses, fines, penalties, and permit fees or arising from damages to state-owned property or other causes related to the activities of the Department of Transportation. Upon request, the commissioner of public safety shall provide to the commissioner of transportation all accident reports involving damage to state-owned infrastructure. The commissioner may contract for debt collection services for the purpose of collecting a money judgment or legal indebtedness. The commissioner may enter into an agreement with the commissioner of public safety to use debt collection services authorized by this subdivision when civil penalties relating to the use of highways have been reduced to money judgment. Money received as full or partial payment shall be deposited to the appropriate fund. When money is collected through contracted services, the commissioner may make payment for the service from the money collected. The amount necessary for payment of contractual collection costs is appropriated from the fund in which money so collected is deposited.

Sec. 6. [161.318] CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS; TRUNK HIGHWAY SYSTEM.

Subdivision 1. Department of Transportation. (a) If, on June 30 of an odd-numbered year, legislation has not been enacted to appropriate money for the next fiscal year to the commissioner of transportation for state roads, on July 1 an amount sufficient to pay the costs described in this subdivision is appropriated, for the fiscal year beginning on that July 1, from the trunk highway fund to the commissioner of transportation.

(b) The appropriation under paragraph (a) is for:

(1) actual payments necessary under contracts relating to the budget activities of operations and maintenance, program planning and delivery, and state road construction; and

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6.1	(2) an amount necessary to pay the costs of Department of Transportation employees
6.2	whose work is essential to (i) the administration and performance of the contracts under
6.3	clause (1), including but not limited to project management, contract administration, and
6.4	billing administration; and (ii) the administration of available federal reimbursement of
6.5	expenses from the contracts under clause (1).
6.6	(c) The amount appropriated under paragraph (a) may not exceed the total of:
6.7	(1) unexpended funds from the amounts appropriated for the biennium ending on
6.8	June 30 to the commissioner for the budget activities of operations and maintenance,
6.9	program planning and delivery, and state road construction;
6.10	(2) unexpended funds from any amount made available to the commissioner in
6.11	carryforward authority into the biennium ending on June 30 for state road construction
6.12	projects for which money was originally encumbered in a previous biennium; and
6.13	(3) the amounts included in the appropriation base for the next fiscal year to the
6.14	commissioner for the budget activities of program planning and delivery, and agency
6.15	services.
6.16	(d) Any subsequent appropriation to the commissioner of transportation, or
6.17	carryforward authority provided to the commissioner, for a biennium in which this
6.18	subdivision has been applied shall supersede and replace the funding authorized in this
6.19	subdivision.
6.20	(e) This subdivision applies only to those contracts as to which funds were
6.21	encumbered before the July 1 appropriation date.
6.22	Subd. 2. Minnesota Management and Budget. (a) If, on June 30 of an
6.23	odd-numbered year, legislation has not been enacted to appropriate money for the next
6.24	fiscal year to the commissioner of management and budget for central accounting,
6.25	procurement, payroll, and human resources functions, on July 1 an amount necessary to
6.26	operate those functions, solely for the purposes specified in subdivision 1, is appropriated
6.27	for the fiscal year beginning on that July 1 from the general fund to the commissioner of
6.28	management and budget. As necessary, the commissioner may transfer a portion of this
6.29	appropriation to other state agencies to support carrying out these functions.
6.30	(b) Any subsequent appropriation to the commissioner of management and budget
6.31	for a biennium in which this subdivision has been applied shall supersede and replace
6.32	the funding authorized in this subdivision.

Sec. 7. [161.3207] CONSTRUCTION MANAGER/GENERAL CONTRACTOR;

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DEFINITIONS.

7.1	Subdivision 1. Scope. The terms used in sections 161.3207 to 161.3209 have the
7.2	meanings given them in this section.
7.3	Subd. 2. Acceptance. "Acceptance" means an action of the commissioner
7.4	authorizing the execution of a construction manager/general contractor contract.
7.5	Subd. 3. Commissioner. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of
7.6	transportation.
7.7	Subd. 4. Construction manager/general contractor. "Construction
7.8	manager/general contractor" means a proprietorship, partnership, limited liability
7.9	partnership, joint venture, corporation, any type of limited liability company, professional
7.10	corporation, or any legal entity selected by the commissioner to act as a construction
7.11	manager to manage the construction process, which includes but is not limited to
7.12	responsibility for the price, schedule, and execution of preconstruction services or the
7.13	workmanship of construction performed according to section 161.3209, or both.
7.14	Subd. 5. Construction manager/general contractor contract. "Construction
7.15	manager/general contractor contract" means a contract for construction of a project
7.16	between a construction manager/general contractor and the commissioner, which
7.17	must include terms providing for a price, construction schedule, and workmanship of
7.18	the construction performed. The construction manager/general contractor contract
7.19	may include provisions for incremental price contracts for specific work packages,
7.20	additional work performed, contingencies, or other contract provisions that will allow the
7.21	commissioner to negotiate time and cost changes to the contract.
7.22	Subd. 6. Past performance; experience. "Past performance" or "experience" does
7.23	not include the exercise or assertion of a person's legal rights.
7.24	Subd. 7. Preconstruction services. "Preconstruction services" means all
7.25	non-construction-related services that a construction manager/general contractor is
7.26	allowed to perform before execution of a construction manager/general contractor contract
7.27	or work package.
7.28	Subd. 8. Preconstruction services contract. "Preconstruction services contract"
7.29	means a contract under which a construction manager/general contractor is paid on the
7.30	basis of the actual cost to perform the work specified in the contract plus an amount for
7.31	overhead and profit for all preconstruction services.
7.32	Subd. 9. Project. "Project" means any project selected by the commissioner as a
7.33	construction manager/general contractor project under section 161.3208.
7.34	Subd. 10. Request for proposals; RFP. "Request for proposals" or "RFP" means
7.35	the document or publication soliciting proposals for a construction manager/general
7.36	contractor contract.

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8.1	Subd. 11. Request for qualifications; RFQ. "Request for qualifications" or "RFQ"
8.2	means a document or publication used to prequalify and short-list potential construction
8.3	managers/general contractors.
8.4	Subd. 12. Work package. "Work package" means the scope of work for a defined
8.5	portion of a project. A defined portion includes construction services on any project
8.6	aspect, including procuring materials or services.
8.7	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment and
8.8	expires following the acceptance of ten construction manager/general contractor contracts.
8.9	Sec. 8. [161.3208] CONSTRUCTION MANAGER/GENERAL CONTRACTOR;
8.10	AUTHORITY.
8.11	Subdivision 1. Selection authority; limitation. Notwithstanding sections 16C.25,
8.12	161.32, and 161.321, or any other law to the contrary, the commissioner may select a
8.13	construction manager/general contractor as provided in section 161.3209, and award a
8.14	construction manager/general contractor contract. The number of awarded contracts
8.15	shall not exceed four in any calendar year.
8.16	Subd. 2. Determination. Final determination to use a construction manager/general
8.17	contractor contracting procedure may be made only by the commissioner.
8.18	Subd. 3. Cancellation. The solicitation of construction manager/general contractor
8.19	requests for qualifications or proposals does not obligate the commissioner to enter into a
8.20	construction manager/general contractor contract. The commissioner may accept or reject
8.21	any or all responses received as a result of the request. The solicitation of proposals may
8.22	be canceled at any time at the commissioner's sole discretion if cancellation is considered
8.23	to be in the state's best interest. If the commissioner rejects all responses or cancels the
8.24	solicitation for proposals, the commissioner may resolicit a request for proposals using the
8.25	same or different requirements.
8.26	Subd. 4. Reporting. The commissioner shall notify the chairs and ranking minority
8.27	members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy
8.28	and transportation finance each time the commissioner decides to use the construction
8.29	manager/general contractor method of procurement and explain why that method was
8.30	chosen.
8.31	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment and
8.32	expires following the acceptance of ten construction manager/general contractor contracts.

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	PROCEDURES.
	Subdivision 1. Solicitation of proposals. If the commissioner determines that
	a construction manager/general contractor method of procurement is appropriate for
;	a project, the commissioner shall establish a two-phase procedure for awarding the
(construction manager/general contractor contract, as described in subdivisions 2 and 3.
	Subd. 2. Phase 1 - request for proposals. (a) The commissioner shall prepare
(or have prepared an RFP for each construction manager/general contractor contract as
]	provided in this section. The RFP must contain, at a minimum, the following elements:
	(1) the minimum qualifications of the construction manager/general contractor;
	(2) the procedures for submitting proposals and the criteria for evaluation of
(qualifications and the relative weight for each criteria;
	(3) the form of the contract to be awarded;
	(4) the scope of intended construction work;
	(5) a listing of the types of preconstruction services that will be required;
	(6) an anticipated schedule for commencing and completing the project;
	(7) any applicable budget limits for the project;
	(8) the requirements for insurance, statutorily required performance, and paymen
	bonds;
	(9) the requirements that the construction manager/general contractor provide a
	letter from a surety or insurance company stating that the construction manager/genera
	contractor is capable of obtaining a performance bond and payment bond covering the
	estimated contract cost;
	(10) the method for how construction manager/general contractor fees for the
	preconstruction services contract will be negotiated;
	(11) a statement that past performance or experience does not include the exercise
	or assertion of a person's legal rights; and
	(12) any other information desired by the commissioner.
	(b) Before receiving any responses to the RFP:
	(1) The commissioner shall appoint a technical review committee of at least five
	individuals, of which one is a Department of Transportation manager who is also a
	licensed professional engineer in Minnesota.
	(2) The technical review committee shall evaluate the construction manager/gene

contractor proposals according to criteria and subcriteria published in the RFP and

procedures established by the commissioner. The commissioner shall, as designated in

the RFP, evaluate construction manager/general contractor proposals on the basis of best

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10.1	value as defined in section 16C.05, or using the qualifications-based selection process
10.2	set forth in section 16C.095, except section 16C.095, subdivision 1 does not apply. If
10.3	the commissioner does not receive at least two proposals from construction managers,
10.4	the commissioner may:
10.5	(i) solicit new proposals;
10.6	(ii) revise the RFP and thereafter solicit new proposals using the revised RFP;
10.7	(iii) select another allowed procurement method; or
10.8	(iv) reject the proposals.
10.9	(3) The technical review committee shall evaluate the responses to the request for
10.10	proposals and rank the construction manager/general contractor based on the predefined
10.11	criteria set forth in the RFP in accordance with paragraph (a), clause (2).
10.12	(c) Unless all proposals are rejected, the commissioner shall conduct contract
10.13	negotiations for a preconstruction services contract with the construction manager/general
10.14	contractor with the highest ranking. If the construction manager/general contractor with
10.15	the highest ranking declines or is unable to reach an agreement, the commissioner may
10.16	begin contract negotiations with the next highest ranked construction manager/general
10.17	contractor.
10.18	(d) Before issuing the RFP, the commissioner may elect to issue a request for
10.19	qualifications (RFQ) and short-list the most highly qualified construction managers/general
10.20	contractors. The RFQ must include the procedures for submitting statements of
10.21	qualification, the criteria for evaluation of qualifications, and the relative weight for each
10.22	criterion. The statements of qualifications must be evaluated by the technical review
10.23	committee.
10.24	Subd. 3. Phase 2 - construction manager/general contractor contract. (a) Before
10.25	conducting any construction-related services, the commissioner shall:
10.26	(1) conduct an independent cost estimate for the project or each work package; and
10.27	(2) conduct contract negotiations with the construction manager/general contractor
10.28	to develop a construction manager/general contractor contract. This contract must include
10.29	a minimum construction manager/general contractor self-performing requirement of 30
10.30	percent of the negotiated cost. Items designated in the construction manager/general
10.31	contractor contract as specialty items may be subcontracted and the cost of any specialty
10.32	item performed under the subcontract will be deducted from the cost before computing the
10.33	amount of work required to be performed by the contractor.
10.34	(b) If the construction manager/general contractor and the commissioner are unable
10.35	to negotiate a contract, the commissioner may use other contract procurement processes or
10.36	may readvertise the construction manager/general contractor contract. The construction

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(c) The commissioner shall provide to all bidders or design-build teams, all data shared between the commissioner and the construction manager/general contractor during the contract negotiations under this subdivision.

section 161.32 or 161.3206 or (2) join a design-build team if advertised under sections

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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment and expires following the acceptance of ten construction manager/general contractor contracts.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 161.321, is amended to read:

161.321 SMALL BUSINESS CONTRACTS.

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section the following terms have the meanings given them, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning is intended.

- (a) "Award" means the granting of a contract in accordance with all applicable laws and rules governing competitive bidding except as otherwise provided in this section.
- (b) "Contract" means an agreement entered into between a business entity and the state of Minnesota for the construction of transportation improvements.
- (c) "Subcontractor" means a business entity which enters into a legally binding agreement with another business entity which is a party to a contract as defined in paragraph (b).
- (d) "Targeted group business" means a business designated under section 16C.16, subdivision 5.
- (e) "Veteran-owned small business" means a business designated under section 16C.16, subdivision 6a.
- Subd. 2. **Small business set-asides**; **procurement and construction contract preferences.** (a) The commissioner may award up to a six percent preference in the amount bid for specified construction work to small targeted group businesses and veteran-owned small businesses.
- (b) The commissioner may designate a contract for construction work for award only to small targeted group businesses if the commissioner determines that at least three small targeted group businesses are likely to bid. The commissioner may designate a contract for construction work for award only to veteran-owned small businesses if the commissioner determines that at least three veteran-owned small businesses are likely to bid.

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(c) The commissioner, as a condition of awarding a construction contract, may set goals that require the prime contractor to subcontract a portion of the contract to small targeted group businesses and veteran-owned small businesses. The commissioner must establish a procedure for granting waivers from the subcontracting requirement when qualified small targeted group businesses and veteran-owned small businesses are not reasonably available. The commissioner may establish financial incentives for prime contractors who exceed the goals for use of subcontractors and financial penalties for prime contractors who fail to meet goals under this paragraph. The subcontracting requirements of this paragraph do not apply to prime contractors who are small targeted group businesses or veteran-owned small businesses.

(d) (c) The commissioner may award up to a four percent preference in the amount bid on procurement for specified construction work to small businesses located in an economically disadvantaged area as defined in section 16C.16, subdivision 7.

Subd. 2a. Subcontracting goals. (a) The commissioner, as a condition of awarding a construction contract, may set goals that require the prime contractor to subcontract portions of the contract to small targeted group businesses and veteran-owned small businesses. Prime contractors must demonstrate good faith efforts to meet the project goals. The commissioner shall establish a procedure for granting waivers from the subcontracting requirement when either qualified small targeted group businesses or veteran-owned small businesses, or both, are not reasonably available. The commissioner may establish (1) financial incentives for prime contractors who exceed the goals set for the use of subcontractors under this subdivision; and (2) sanctions for prime contractors who fail to make good faith efforts to meet the goals set under this subdivision.

- (b) The small targeted group business subcontracting requirements of this subdivision do not apply to prime contractors who are small targeted group businesses.

 The veteran-owned small business subcontracting requirements of this subdivision do not apply to prime contractors who are veteran-owned small businesses.
- Subd. 3. <u>Subcontract</u> awards to small businesses. At least 75 percent of subcontracts awarded to small targeted group businesses must be performed by the business to which the subcontract is awarded or another small targeted group business. At least 75 percent of subcontracts awarded to veteran-owned small businesses must be performed by the business to which the subcontract is awarded or another veteran-owned small business.
- Subd. 4. <u>Contract</u> awards, limitations. Contracts awarded pursuant to this section are subject to all limitations contained in rules adopted by the commissioner of administration.

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Subd. 4a. Limited duration and reevaluation. The commissioner shall cooperate
with the commissioner of administration to periodically reevaluate the targeted group
businesses to determine whether there is a statistical disparity between the percentage of
construction contracts awarded to businesses owned by targeted group members and the
representation of businesses owned by targeted group members among all businesses in
the state in the construction category. The commissioner of administration shall designate
targeted groups pursuant to section 16C.16, subdivision 5.
Subd. 5. Recourse to other businesses. If the commissioner is unable to award
a contract pursuant to the provisions of subdivisions 2 and 3 to 4a, the award may be
placed pursuant to the normal solicitation and award provisions set forth in this chapter
and chapter 16C.
Subd. 6. Rules; eligibility. (a) The rules adopted by the commissioner of
administration to define small businesses and to set time and other eligibility requirements
for participation in programs under sections 16C.16 to 16C.19 apply to this section. The
commissioner may promulgate other rules necessary to carry out this section.
(b) In addition to other eligibility requirements, a small targeted group business or
veteran-owned small business is eligible for the bid preferences under this section only
for eight years following the later of (1) the effective date of this act, or (2) the date of
initial designation as a small targeted group business or veteran-owned small business by
the commissioner of administration under section 16C.16.
Subd. 7. Noncompetitive bids. The commissioner is encouraged to purchase
from small targeted group businesses and veteran-owned small businesses designated
under section 16C.16 when making purchases that are not subject to competitive bidding
procedures.
Subd. 8. Report by commissioner Reporting. (a) The commissioner of
transportation shall report to the commissioner of administration on compliance with this
section. The information must be reported at the time and in the manner requested by the
commissioner of administration.
(b) By February 1 of each even-numbered year, the commissioner shall submit a
report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with
jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance concerning contract awards under this
section. At a minimum, the report must include:
(1) a summary of the program;
(2) a review of the use of preferences for contracting, including frequency of
establishment of a preference and frequency of contract award to a small targeted group

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business or veteran-owned small business;

14.1	(3) a review of goals and good faith efforts to use small targeted group businesses
14.2	and veteran-owned small businesses in subcontracts, including analysis of methods used
14.3	for, and effectiveness of, good faith efforts;
14.4	(4) a summary of any financial incentives or sanctions imposed;
14.5	(5) information on each reevaluation under subdivision 4a, including details on the
14.6	methodology for reevaluation; and
14.7	(6) any recommendations for legislative or programmatic changes.
14.8	Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 161.3212, is amended to read:
14.9	161.3212 WORKING CAPITAL FUND.
14.10	The commissioner, to the extent allowed by other law or contract, may grant
14.11	available money that has been appropriated for socially or economically disadvantaged
14.12	business programs to a guaranty fund administered by a nonprofit organization that makes
14.13	or guarantees working capital loans to businesses small business concerns owned and
14.14	operated by socially or and economically disadvantaged persons as defined individuals.
14.15	"Small business concern" and "socially and economically disadvantaged individual" have
14.16	the meanings given them in Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, section 23.5 26.5. The
14.17	purpose of loans made or guaranteed by the organization must be to provide short-term
14.18	working capital to enable eligible businesses to be awarded contracts for goods and
14.19	services or for construction-related services from government agencies.
14.20	Money contributed from a constitutionally or statutorily dedicated fund must be used
14.21	only for purposes consistent with the purposes of the dedicated fund.
14.22	Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 162.09, is amended by adding a subdivision
14.23	to read:
14.24	Subd. 11. Additional municipal state-aid street cities. (a) For purposes of this
14.25	subdivision, the following terms have the meanings given them:
14.26	(1) "local bridge project costs" means the total amount of money expended by a
14.27	statutory or home rule charter city that, as determined by the commissioner in consultation
14.28	with the city, is (i) directly attributable to, or directly resulting from, a trunk highway
14.29	system project to construct a new bridge over the St. Croix River in Washington County;
14.30	and (ii) not offset by other sources of state or federal funds; and
14.31	(2) "state-aid eligible city" means any statutory or home rule charter city that incurs
14.32	local bridge project costs and has a population of more than 4,000 but less than 5,000
14.33	according to the most recent federal decennial census.
14.34	(b) Notwithstanding subdivision 4, state-aid eligible city is deemed:

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15.1	(1) to have a population that is 5,000 for purposes of this chapter; and
15.2	(2) notwithstanding section 162.13, subdivision 2, to have money needs equal to
15.3	the local bridge project costs for the city.
15.4	(c) Notwithstanding section 162.13, subdivision 1, the total apportionment to a
15.5	state-aid eligible city, across all years in which this subdivision applies, may not exceed
15.6	the most recent calculation of local bridge project costs for the city.
15.7	(d) Except as provided in paragraph (e), the requirements of paragraph (b) apply to a
15.8	city for 20 calendar years following the first year in which the city becomes a state-aid
15.9	eligible city.
15.10	(e) This subdivision does not apply if a city has a population of 5,000 or more as
15.11	determined by the most recent federal decennial census or under subdivision 4.
15.12	Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 165.01, is amended to read:
15.13	165.01 DEFINITIONS.
15.14	Subdivision 1. Scope. For the purposes of this chapter, the terms defined in this
15.15	section and section 160.02 have the meanings given them.
15.16	Subd. 2. AASHTO manual. "AASHTO manual" means the Manual for Condition
15.17	Evaluation of Bridges, published by the American Association of State Highway and
15.18	Transportation Officials. "The Manual for Bridge Evaluation," published by the American
15.19	Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, is incorporated by reference.
15.20	Subd. 3. Bridge. "Bridge" is defined as a structure, including supports erected over
15.21	a depression or an obstruction, such as water, a highway, or a railway, having a track or
15.22	passageway for carrying traffic or other moving loads, and having an opening measured
15.23	horizontally along the center of the roadway of ten feet or more between undercopings
15.24	of abutments, between spring line of arches, or between extreme ends of openings for
15.25	multiple boxes. Bridge also includes multiple pipes where the clear distance between
15.26	openings is less than one-half of the smaller contiguous opening. This definition of a
15.27	bridge includes only those railroad and pedestrian bridges over a public highway or street.
15.28	Subd. 4. National Bridge Inspection Standards (NBIS). "NBIS" means standards
15.29	established by the Federal Highway Administration in Code of Federal Regulations, title
15.30	23, part 650, subpart C, incorporated by reference.
15.31	Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 165.03, is amended to read:
15.32	165.03 STRENGTH OF BRIDGE; INSPECTION.
15.33	Subdivision 1. Standards generally. Each bridge, including a privately owned
15.34	bridge, must conform to the strength, width, clearance, and safety standards imposed

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by the commissioner for the connecting highway or street. This subdivision applies to a bridge that is constructed after August 1, 1989, on any public highway or street. The bridge must have sufficient strength to support with safety the maximum vehicle weights allowed under sections 169.822 to 169.829 and must have the minimum width specified in section 165.04, subdivision 3.

Subd. 1a. **Inspection.** (a) Each bridge must be inspected annually, unless a longer interval not to exceed two years 24 months for bridges or four years 48 months for bridges classified as culverts is authorized by the commissioner. The commissioner's authorization must be based on factors including, but not limited to, the age and condition of the bridge, the rate of deterioration of the bridge, the type of structure, the susceptibility of the bridge to failure, and the characteristics of traffic on the bridge. The commissioner may require interim inspections at intervals of less than one year on bridges that are posted, bridges subjected to extreme scour conditions, bridges subject to significant substructure movement or settlement, and for other reasons as specified or inferred in the AASHTO manual.

- (b) Additional requirements apply to structures meeting the NBIS definition of a bridge:
- (1) Underwater structural elements must be inspected at regular intervals not to exceed 60 months. The commissioner may require inspections at intervals of less than 60 months on certain underwater structural elements based on factors including, but not limited to, construction material, the environment, age, the scour characteristics, the condition rating from past inspections, and any known deficiencies.
- (2) Fracture critical members, or FCMs, must receive a hands-on fracture critical inspection at intervals not to exceed 24 months. The commissioner may require inspections at intervals of less than 24 months on certain FCMs based on factors including, but not limited to, age, the traffic characteristics, and any known deficiencies.
- (3) The commissioner may establish criteria to determine the level and frequency of these inspections. If warranted by special circumstances, the commissioner retains the authority to determine the inspection type and required inspection frequency for any bridge on the state inventory.
- (b) (c) The thoroughness of each inspection depends on such factors as age, traffic characteristics, state of maintenance, and known deficiencies. The evaluation of these factors is the responsibility of the engineer assigned the responsibility for inspection as defined by rule adopted by the commissioner of transportation.
- Subd. 2. **Inspection and inventory responsibilities; rules; forms.** (a) The commissioner of transportation will adopt the National Bridge Inspection Standards

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17.1	(NBIS) established by the Federal Highway Administration in Code of Federal
17.2	Regulations, title 23, part 650, subpart C, or its successor documents for structures
17.3	meeting the NBIS definition of a bridge. The commissioner shall establish inspection and
17.4	inventory standards for structures defined as bridges by section 165.01, subdivision 3.
17.5	(a) (b) The commissioner of transportation shall adopt official inventory and bridge
17.6	inspection report forms for use in making bridge inspections by the owners or highway
17.7	authorities specified by this subdivision. Inspections must be made at regular intervals,
17.8	not to exceed two years for bridges and not to exceed four years for culverts the intervals
17.9	outlined in subdivision 1a, by the following owner or official:
17.10	(1) the commissioner of transportation for all bridges located wholly or partially
17.11	within or over the right-of-way of a state trunk highway;
17.12	(2) the county highway engineer for all bridges located wholly or partially within or
17.13	over the right-of-way of any county or town road, or any street within a municipality that
17.14	does not have a city engineer regularly employed;
17.15	(3) the city engineer for all bridges located wholly or partially within or over the
17.16	right-of-way of any street located within or along municipal limits;
17.17	(4) the commissioner of transportation in case of a toll bridge that is used by the
17.18	general public and that is not inspected and certified under subdivision 6; provided, that
17.19	the commissioner of transportation may assess the owner for the costs of the inspection;
17.20	(5) the owner of a bridge over a public highway or street or that carries a roadway
17.21	designated for public use by a public authority, if not required to be inventoried and
17.22	inspected under clause (1), (2), (3), or (4).
17.23	(b) (c) The commissioner of transportation shall prescribe the standards for bridge
17.24	inspection and inventory by rules inspection and inventory procedures required to
17.25	administer the bridge inspection program in Minnesota and has the authority to establish
17.26	and publish standards that describe the inspection and inventory requirements to ensure
17.27	compliance with paragraph (a). The owner or highway authority shall inspect and
17.28	inventory in accordance with these standards and furnish the commissioner with such data
17.29	as may be necessary to maintain a central inventory.
17.30	Subd. 3. County inventory and inspection records and reports. The county
17.31	engineer shall maintain a complete inventory record of all bridges as set forth in
17.32	subdivision 2, paragraph (a) (b), clause (2), with the inspection reports thereof, and shall
17.33	certify annually to the commissioner, as prescribed by the commissioner, that inspections
17.34	have been made at regular intervals, not to exceed two years for bridges and not to
17.35	exceed four years for culverts the intervals outlined in subdivision 1a. A report of the

inspections must be filed annually, on or before February 15 of each year, with the county

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auditor or town clerk, or the governing body of the municipality. The report must contain recommendations for the correction of or legal posting of load limits on any bridge or structure that is found to be understrength or unsafe.

Subd. 4. **Municipal inventory and inspection records and reports.** The city engineer shall maintain a complete inventory record of all bridges as set forth in subdivision 2, paragraph (a) (b), clause (3), with the inspection reports thereof, and shall certify annually to the commissioner, as prescribed by the commissioner, that inspections have been made at regular intervals, not to exceed two years for bridges and not to exceed four years for culverts the intervals outlined in subdivision 1a. A report of the inspections must be filed annually, on or before February 15 of each year, with the governing body of the municipality. The report must contain recommendations for the correction of or legal posting of load limits on any bridge or structure that is found to be understrength or unsafe.

- Subd. 5. **Agreement.** Agreements may be made among the various units of governments, or between governmental units and qualified engineering personnel to carry out the responsibilities for the bridge inspections and reports, as established by subdivision 2.
- Subd. 6. **Other bridges.** The owner of a toll bridge and the owner of a bridge described in subdivision 2, paragraph (a) (b), clause (5), shall certify to the commissioner, as prescribed by the commissioner, that inspections of the bridge or culvert have been made at regular intervals, not to exceed two years for bridges and not to exceed four years for culverts the intervals outlined in subdivision 1a. The certification must be accompanied by a report of the inspection. The report must contain recommendations for the correction of or legal posting of load limitations if the bridge is found to be understrength or unsafe.
- Subd. 6a. Bridge load rating and posting. (a) The term "posting" means the placement of regulatory signs at a bridge indicating the safe load carrying capacity of the bridge.
- (b) Each structure required to be inspected by subdivision 2, paragraph (a), must be load rated to determine its safe load carrying capacity, and this rating must be reported on a structure inventory sheet form provided by the commissioner of transportation. A structure must be rerated when it is determined that a significant change has occurred in the condition of the structure or due to additional dead load placed on the structure since the last load rating. Load ratings must be reviewed and the structure rerated if necessary when the allowable legal load using the structure is increased. Changes in the load rating of a bridge must be indicated on the structure inventory sheet form.
- (c) Where it is determined that the maximum legal load under state law exceeds the load permitted on the structure under the operating rating stress level assigned, the

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19.1	bridge must be posted. Posting signs as adopted by the commissioner shall be used for
19.2	the posting. The owner or highway authority shall post the bridge in accordance with the
19.3	posted load assigned by the commissioner.
19.4	Subd. 7. Department of Natural Resources bridge. (a) Notwithstanding
19.5	subdivision 2, the commissioners of transportation and natural resources shall negotiate a
19.6	memorandum of understanding that governs the inspection of bridges owned, operated,
19.7	or maintained by the commissioner of natural resources.
19.8	(b) The memorandum of understanding must provide for:
19.9	(1) the inspection and inventory of bridges subject to federal law or regulations;
19.10	(2) the frequency of inspection of bridges described in paragraph (a) subdivision
19.11	1a; and
19.12	(3) who may perform inspections required under the memorandum of understanding.
19.13	Subd. 8. Biennial report on bridge inspection quality assurance. By February
19.14	1 of each odd-numbered year, the commissioner shall submit a report electronically to
19.15	the members of the senate and house of representatives committees with jurisdiction over
19.16	transportation policy and finance concerning quality assurance for bridge inspections.
19.17	At a minimum, the report must:
19.18	(1) summarize the bridge inspection quality assurance and quality control procedures
19.19	used in Minnesota;
19.20	(2) identify any substantive changes to quality assurance and quality control
19.21	procedures made in the previous two years;
19.22	(3) summarize and provide a briefing on findings from bridge inspection quality
19.23	reviews performed in the previous two years;
19.24	(4) identify actions taken and planned in response to findings from bridge inspection
19.25	quality reviews performed in the previous two years;
19.26	(5) summarize the results of any bridge inspection compliance review by the Federal
19.27	Highway Administration; and
19.28	(6) identify actions in response to the Federal Highway Administration compliance
19.29	review taken by the department in order to reach full compliance.
19.30	Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 168.013, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
19.31	Subd. 3. Application; cancellation; excessive gross weight forbidden. (a) The
19.32	applicant for all licenses based on gross weight shall state the unloaded weight of the
19.33	motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer and the maximum load the applicant proposes to carry
19.34	on it, the sum of which constitutes the gross weight upon which the license tax must be

paid. However, the declared gross weight upon which the tax is paid must not be less than

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1-1/4 times the declared unloaded weight of the motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer to be registered, except recreational vehicles taxed under subdivision 1g, school buses taxed under subdivision 18, and tow trucks or towing vehicles defined in section 169.011, subdivision 83. The gross weight of a tow truck or towing vehicle is the actual weight of the tow truck or towing vehicle fully equipped, but does not include the weight of a wrecked or disabled vehicle towed or drawn by the tow truck or towing vehicle.

- (b) The gross weight of a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer must not exceed the gross weight upon which the license tax has been paid by more than four percent or 1,000 pounds, whichever is greater; provided that, a vehicle transporting unfinished forest products on a highway, other than a highway that is part of the system of interstate and defense highways, unless a federal exemption is granted, in accordance with paragraph (d)(3):
- (1) shall not exceed its gross vehicle weight upon which the license tax has been paid, or gross axle weight on any axle, by more than five percent and, notwithstanding other law to the contrary, is not subject to any fee, fine, or other assessment or penalty for exceeding a gross vehicle or axle weight by up to five percent; and
- (2) between the dates set by the commissioner in accordance with section 169.826, subdivision 1, is not subject to any provision of paragraph (d) or chapter 169 limiting the gross axle weight of any individual axle unless the entire vehicle also exceeds its gross vehicle weight plus its weight allowance allowed in clause (1) and plus any weight allowance permitted under section 169.826, in which case the vehicle is subject to all applicable penalties for excess weight violations.
- (c) The gross weight of the motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer for which the license tax is paid must be indicated by a distinctive character on the license plate or plates except as provided in subdivision 12 and the plate or plates must be kept clean and clearly visible at all times.
- (d) The owner, driver, or user of a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, upon conviction for transporting a gross weight in excess of the gross weight for which it was registered or for operating a vehicle with an axle weight exceeding the maximum lawful axle load weight, is guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to increased registration or reregistration according to the following schedule:
- (1) Upon conviction for transporting a gross weight in excess of the gross weight for which a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is registered by more than the allowance set forth in paragraph (b) but less than 25 percent, or for operating or using a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer with an axle weight exceeding the maximum lawful axle load as provided in sections 169.822 to 169.829 by more than the allowance set forth in

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paragraph (b) but less than 25 percent, the owner, driver, or user of the motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer used to commit the violation, in addition to any penalty imposed for the misdemeanor, shall apply to the registrar to increase the authorized gross weight to be carried on the vehicle to a weight equal to or greater than the gross weight the owner, driver, or user was convicted of carrying. The increase is computed for the balance of the calendar year on the basis of 1/12 of the annual tax for each month remaining in the calendar year beginning with the first day of the month in which the violation occurred. If the additional registration tax computed upon that weight, plus the tax already paid, amounts to more than the regular tax for the maximum gross weight permitted for the vehicle under sections 169.822 to 169.829, that additional amount must nevertheless be paid into the highway fund, but the additional tax thus paid does not authorize or permit any person to operate the vehicle with a gross weight in excess of the maximum legal weight as provided by sections 169.822 to 169.829. Unless the owner within 30 days after a conviction applies to increase the authorized weight and pays the additional tax as provided in this section, the registrar shall revoke the registration on the vehicle and demand the return of the registration card and plates issued on that registration.

(2) Upon conviction of an owner, driver, or user of a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer for transporting a gross weight in excess of the gross weight for which the motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer was registered by 25 percent or more or for operating or using the vehicle or trailer with an axle weight exceeding the maximum lawful axle load as provided in sections 169.822 to 169.829 by 25 percent or more, and in addition to any penalty imposed for the misdemeanor, the registrar shall either (i) cancel the reciprocity privileges on the vehicle involved if the vehicle is being operated under reciprocity or (ii) if the vehicle is not being operated under reciprocity, cancel the certificate of registration on the vehicle operated and demand the return of the registration certificate and registration plates. The registrar may not cancel the registration or reciprocity privileges for any vehicle found in violation of seasonal load restrictions imposed under section 169.87 unless the axle weight exceeds the year-round weight limit for the highway on which the violation occurred. The registrar may investigate any allegation of gross weight violations and demand that the operator show cause why all future operating privileges in the state should not be revoked unless the additional tax assessed is paid.

(3) Clause (1) does not apply to the first haul of unprocessed or raw farm products or unfinished forest products, when the registered gross weight is not exceeded by more than ten percent. For purposes of this clause, "first haul" means (i) the first, continuous transportation of unprocessed or raw farm products from the place of production or on-farm storage site to any other location within 50 100 miles of the place of production or

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on-farm storage site, or (ii) the continuous or noncontinuous transportation of unfinished forest products from the place of production to the place of final processing or manufacture located within 200 miles of the place of production.

(4) When the registration on a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is revoked by the registrar according to this section, the vehicle must not be operated on the highways of the state until it is registered or reregistered, as the case may be, and new plates issued, and the registration fee is the annual tax for the total gross weight of the vehicle at the time of violation. The reregistration pursuant to this subdivision of any vehicle operating under reciprocity agreements pursuant to section 168.181 or 168.187 must be at the full annual registration fee without regard to the percentage of vehicle miles traveled in this state.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 168.10, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. Collector's vehicle, pioneer plate. (a) Any motor vehicle that: (1) was manufactured prior to 1936 and is totally original, or is a restored pioneer vehicle, as defined in section 168A.01, subdivision 16a; and (2) is owned and operated solely as a collector's item, shall be listed for taxation and registration as follows: as provided by paragraph (b).

(b) An affidavit shall be executed stating the name and address of the owner, the name and address of the person from whom purchased, the make of the motor vehicle, year and number of the model designation, the manufacturer's identification number and that the vehicle is owned and operated solely as a collector's item and not for general transportation purposes. If the commissioner is satisfied that the affidavit is true and correct and the owner pays a \$25 tax and the plate fee authorized under section 168.12, the commissioner shall list such vehicle for taxation and registration and shall issue a single number plate.

(b) (c) The number plate so issued shall bear the inscription "Pioneer," "Minnesota" and the registration number or other combination of characters authorized under section 168.12, subdivision 2a, but no date. The number plate is valid without renewal as long as the vehicle is in existence in Minnesota. The commissioner has the power to revoke said plate for failure to comply with this subdivision.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2011 Supplement, section 168.123, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **General requirements; fees.** (a) On payment of a fee of \$10 for each set of two plates, or for a single plate in the case of a motorcycle plate, payment of the registration tax required by law, and compliance with other applicable laws relating to vehicle registration and licensing, as applicable, the commissioner shall issue:

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(1) special veteran's plates to an applicant who served in the active military service
in a branch of the armed forces of the United States or of a nation or society allied with the
United States in conducting a foreign war, was discharged under honorable conditions, and
is a registered owner of a passenger automobile as defined in section 168.002, subdivision
24, recreational motor vehicle as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 27, or one-ton
pickup truck as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 21b, but which is not a commercial
motor vehicle as defined in section 169.011, subdivision 16; or

- (2) a veteran's special motorcycle plate as described in subdivision 2, paragraph (a), (f), (h), (i), or (j), or another special plate designed by the commissioner to an applicant who is a registered owner of a motorcycle as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 19, and meets the criteria listed in this paragraph and in subdivision 2, paragraph (a), (f), (h), (i), or (j). Plates issued under this clause must be the same size as regular motorcycle plates. Special motorcycle license plates issued under this clause are not subject to section 168.1293.
- (b) The additional fee of \$10 is payable for each set of veteran's plates, is payable only when the plates are issued, and is not payable in a year in which stickers are issued instead of plates.
- (c) The veteran must have a certified copy of the veteran's discharge papers, indicating character of discharge, at the time of application. If an applicant served in the active military service in a branch of the armed forces of a nation or society allied with the United States in conducting a foreign war and is unable to obtain a record of that service and discharge status, the commissioner of veterans affairs may certify the applicant as qualified for the veterans' plates provided under this section.
- (d) For license plates issued for one-ton trucks described in paragraph (a), clause (1), the commissioner shall collect a surcharge of \$5 on each \$10 fee collected under paragraph (a). The surcharge must be deposited in the vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund.

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

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 168.185, is amended to read:

168.185 USDOT NUMBERS.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (d), an owner of a truck or truck-tractor having a gross vehicle weight of more than 10,000 pounds, as defined in section 169.011, subdivision 32, shall report to the commissioner at the time of registration its USDOT carrier number. A person subject to this paragraph who does not have a USDOT number

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24.1	shall apply for the number at the time of registration by completing a form MCS-150 Motor
24.2	Carrier Identification Report, issued by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration,
24.3	or comparable document as determined by the commissioner. The commissioner shall not
24.4	assign a USDOT carrier number to a vehicle owner who is not subject to this paragraph.
24.5	(b) Assigned USDOT numbers must be displayed as required by section 221.031,
24.6	subdivision 6. The vehicle owner shall notify the commissioner if there is a change to the
24.7	owner's USDOT number.
24.8	(c) If an owner fails to report or apply for a USDOT number, the commissioner shall
24.9	suspend the owner's registration.
24.10	(d) This section does not apply to (1) a farm truck that (i) is not used in interstate
24.11	commerce or (ii) does not leave the physical boundaries of the state, (2) a vehicle that is
24.12	not used in intrastate commerce or interstate commerce, or (3) a vehicle that is owned
24.13	and used solely in the transaction of official business by the federal government, the
24.14	state, or any political subdivision.
24.15	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
24.13	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final chaethert.
24.16	Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 168A.01, is amended by adding a
24.17	subdivision to read:
24.18	Subd. 9a. Manufactured home. "Manufactured home" has the meaning given
24.19	in section 327.31, subdivision 6.
24.20	Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 168A.01, subdivision 16, is amended to read:
24.21	Subd. 16. Reconstructed vehicle. (a) "Reconstructed vehicle" means a vehicle of a
24.22	type for which a certificate of title is required hereunder materially altered from its original
24.23	construction by the removal, addition, or substitution of essential parts, new or used.
24.24	(b) Reconstructed vehicle does not include a restored pioneer vehicle.
24.25	Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 168A.01, is amended by adding a
24.26	subdivision to read:
24.27	Subd. 16a. Restored pioneer vehicle. (a) "Restored pioneer vehicle" means
24.28	a vehicle:
24.29	(1) for which a certificate of title is required under this chapter;
24.30	(2) originally manufactured prior to 1936;
24.31	(3) for which one or more essential parts, whether new or used, are replaced; and
24.32	(4) for which each essential part under clause (3) is replaced:

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25.1	(i) only as necessary in order to restore or retain the character and appearance of the
25.2	vehicle as originally manufactured;
25.3	(ii) in a manner which reasonably restores or retains the character and appearance of
25.4	the vehicle as originally manufactured; and
25.5	(iii) in a manner which substantially conforms to the fit, form, and function of the
25.6	original essential part.
25.7	(b) A vehicle meeting both the requirements under paragraph (a) and subdivision 16
25.8	for a reconstructed vehicle is a restored pioneer vehicle.
25.9	(c) For purposes of this subdivision, replacement of an essential part includes but is
25.10	not limited to removal, addition, modification, or substitution of the essential part.
25.11	Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 168A.02, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
25.12	Subd. 3. Title certificate for manufactured home. Except as provided in
25.13	section 168A.141, a certificate of title is required for a manufactured home, as defined
25.14	in section 327.31, subdivision 6. In every certificate of title issued for a manufactured
25.15	home, the department shall insert the following notice: THIS TITLE DESCRIBES A
25.16	MANUFACTURED HOME - NOT A MOTOR VEHICLE.
25.17	Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 168A.04, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
25.18	Subdivision 1. Contents. The application for the first certificate of title of a
25.19	vehicle or manufactured home in this state, or for reissuance of a certificate of title
25.20	for a manufactured home under section 168A.142, shall be made by the owner to the
25.21	department on the form prescribed by the department and shall contain:
25.22	(1) the first, middle, and last names, the dates of birth, and addresses of all owners
25.23	who are natural persons, the full names and addresses of all other owners;
25.24	(2) a description of the vehicle or manufactured home including, so far as the
25.25	following data exists, its make, model, year, identifying number in the case of a vehicle or
25.26	serial number in the case of a manufactured home, type of body, and whether new or used;
25.27	(3) the date of purchase by applicant, the name and address of the person from whom
25.28	the vehicle or manufactured home was acquired, the names and addresses of any secured
25.29	parties in the order of their priority, and the dates of their respective security agreements;
25.30	(4) with respect to motor vehicles subject to the provisions of section 325E.15, the
25.31	true cumulative mileage registered on the odometer or that the actual mileage is unknown
25.32	if the odometer reading is known by the owner to be different from the true mileage;

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26.1	(5) with respect to vehicles s	subject to section 325I	F.6641, whether the	vehicle
26.2	sustained damage by collision or o	other occurrence which	n exceeded 70 perce	nt of the
26.3	actual cash value; and			
26.4	(6) any further information t	he department reasona	ably requires to iden	tify the
26.5	vehicle or manufactured home and	to enable it to determ	ine whether the own	er is entitled
26.6	to a certificate of title, and the exis	stence or nonexistence	and priority of any	security
26.7	interest in the vehicle or manufact	ured home.		
26.8	Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 20	10, section 168A.04, s	ubdivision 5, is ame	nded to read:
26.9	Subd. 5. Specially construe	ted or reconstructed	vehicle Certain und	conventional
26.10	vehicles; additional information	; identifying number	. (a) Except as prov	ided in
26.11	subdivision 6, if the application ref	ers to a specially cons	tructed vehicle or , a	reconstructed
26.12	vehicle, or a restored pioneer vehic	cle, the application sha	all so state and shall	contain or
26.13	be accompanied by:			
26.14	(1) any information and docu	iments the department	reasonably requires	to establish
26.15	the ownership of the vehicle and the	ne existence or nonexi	stence and priority of	of security
26.16	interests in it;			
26.17	(2) the certificate of a person	authorized by the dep	partment that the ide	entifying
26.18	number of the vehicle has been ins	pected and found to co	onform to the descrip	ption given in
26.19	the application, or any other proof	of the identity of the v	ehicle the departme	nt reasonably
26.20	requires; and			
26.21	(3) at the time of application,	a written certification	to the department th	at the vehicle
26.22	to be titled meets the requirements	of chapter 169 for vel	nicles in its class reg	arding safety
26.23	and acceptability to operate on pul	olic roads and highway	ys.	
26.24	(b) As part of the application	for certificate of title	on a restored pionee	r vehicle, the
26.25	applicant may specify a valid iden	tifying number of the	vehicle. An identify	ing number
26.26	is valid under this paragraph if it r	natches a number perr	nanently affixed, sta	mped, or
26.27	otherwise assigned to at least one	essential part of the m	otor vehicle, includi	ng but not
26.28	limited to the engine, the engine b	lock, or the vehicle bo	ody. The commission	ner may

26.34 <u>commissioner shall establish procedures to ensure that if clarification, additional</u>

establish further restrictions on specification of the identifying number.

require photographic proof to confirm the identifying number on the vehicle, but may not

Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 168A.04, is amended by adding a

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subdivision to read:

27.1	information, or submission of additional materials is required following submission of
27.2	an application for certificate of title for a specially constructed vehicle, reconstructed
27.3	vehicle, or restored pioneer vehicle:
27.4	(1) the title applicant is promptly notified of the status of the application; and
27.5	(2) all outstanding application requirements are clearly explained to the title
27.6	applicant.
27.7	Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 168A.05, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
27.8	Subdivision 1. Filing of application; issuance of certificate. The department shall
27.9	file each application received, and when satisfied as to its genuineness and regularity and
27.10	that the applicant is entitled to the issuance of a certificate of title shall issue a certificate
27.11	of title of for the vehicle or manufactured home.
27.12	Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 168A.05, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:
27.13	Subd. 1a. Manufactured home; statement of property tax payment. In the case
27.14	of a manufactured home as defined in section 327.31, subdivision 6, the department shall
27.15	not issue a certificate of title unless the application under section 168A.04 is accompanied
27.16	with a statement from the county auditor or county treasurer where the manufactured
27.17	home is presently located, stating that all manufactured home personal property taxes
27.18	levied on the unit in the name of the current owner at the time of transfer have been
27.19	paid. For this purpose, manufactured home personal property taxes are treated as levied
27.20	on January 1 of the payable year.
27.21	Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 168A.05, subdivision 1b, is amended to read:
27.22	Subd. 1b. Manufactured home; exemption exemptions. The provisions of
27.23	subdivision 1a shall do not apply to:
27.24	(1) a manufactured home which is sold or otherwise disposed of pursuant to section
27.25	504B.271 by the owner of a manufactured home park, as defined in section 327.14,
27.26	subdivision 3 , or ;
27.27	(2) a manufactured home which is sold pursuant to section 504B.265 by the owner
27.28	of a manufactured home park; or
27.29	(3) a manufactured home for which a certificate of title is reissued under section
27.30	<u>168A.142</u> .
27.31	Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 168A.05, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

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20.1	Subd. 3. Content of certificate. (a) Each certificate of title issued by the department
28.1 28.2	shall contain:
28.3	(1) the date issued;
28.4	(2) the first, middle, and last names and the dates of birth of all owners who are
28.5	natural persons, and the full names of all other owners;
28.6	(3) the residence address of the owner listed first if that owner is a natural person or
28.7	the address if that owner is not a natural person;
28.8	(4) the names of any secured parties, and the address of the first secured party,
28.9	listed in the order of priority (i) as shown on the application, or (ii) if the application is
28.10	based on a certificate of title, as shown on the certificate, or (iii) as otherwise determined
28.11	by the department;
28.12	(5) any liens filed pursuant to a court order or by a public agency responsible for
28.13	child support enforcement against the owner;
28.14	(6) the title number assigned to the vehicle;
28.15	(7) a description of the vehicle including, so far as the following data exists, its
28.16	make, model, year, identifying number, type of body, whether new or used, and if a new
28.17	vehicle, the date of the first sale of the vehicle for use;
28.18	(8) with respect to a motor vehicle subject to section 325E.15 and for which an
28.19	odometer was affixed by the vehicle manufacturer, (i) the true cumulative mileage
28.20	registered on the odometer or (ii) that the actual mileage is unknown if the odometer
28.21	reading is known by the owner to be different from the true mileage;
28.22	(9) with respect to a vehicle subject to sections 325F.6641 and 325F.6642, the
28.23	appropriate term "flood damaged," "rebuilt," "prior salvage," or "reconstructed";
28.24	(10) with respect to a vehicle contaminated by methamphetamine production, if the
28.25	registrar has received the certificate of title and notice described in section 152.0275,
28.26	subdivision 2, paragraph (g), the term "hazardous waste contaminated vehicle";
28.27	(11) with respect to a vehicle subject to section 325F.665, the term "lemon law
28.28	vehicle"; and
28.29	(12) any other data the department prescribes.
28.30	(b) For a certificate of title on a vehicle that is a restored pioneer vehicle:
28.31	(1) the identifying number must be the valid identifying number as provided under
28.32	section 168A.04, subdivision 5;
28.33	(2) the year of the vehicle must be the year of original vehicle manufacture and
28.34	not the year of restoration; and
28.35	(3) the title must not bear a "reconstructed vehicle" brand.
	

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Sec. 30.	Minnesota	Statutes	2010,	section	168A.09,	is amended	by	adding a
subdivision	to read:							

- Subd. 4. **Restored pioneer vehicle**; replacement title. (a) The owner of a vehicle may apply to the commissioner for a replacement title if:
 - (1) a Minnesota title has been issued prior to the effective date of this section; and
- (2) the vehicle meets the requirements for a restored pioneer vehicle under section 168A.01, subdivision 16a.
- (b) The commissioner shall establish and make publicly available requirements for an application under this subdivision, and shall make reasonable efforts to minimize burden on the title applicant. Among the application requirements, a person applying for a replacement title shall surrender the original title.
- (c) The commissioner shall impose a fee for a replacement title issued under this subdivision that is equal to the fee for issuing a duplicate certificate of title under section 168A.29. Fee proceeds must be allocated in the same manner as the fee for a duplicate certificate of title.

Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 168A.141, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. Certificates surrendered for cancellation. When a manufactured home is affixed, as defined in section 273.125, subdivision 8, paragraph (b), to real property, and financed by the giving of a mortgage on the real property, the owner of the manufactured home shall surrender the manufacturer's certificate of origin or certificate of title to the department for cancellation. The owner of the manufactured home shall give the department the address and legal description of the real property. The department may require the filing of other information. The department must not issue a certificate of title for a manufactured home under chapter 168A if the manufacturer's certificate of origin is or has been surrendered under this subdivision, except as provided in section 168A.142. Upon surrender of the manufacturer's certificate of origin or the certificate of title, the department shall issue notice of surrender to the owner, and the manufactured home is deemed to be an improvement to real property. The notice to of surrender may be recorded in the office of the county recorder or with the registrar of titles if the land is registered but need not contain an acknowledgment.

Sec. 32. [168A.142] MANUFACTURED HOME UNAFFIXED FROM REALTY.

Subdivision 1. Certificate of title requirements. The department shall issue an initial certificate of title or reissue a previously surrendered certificate of title for a manufactured home to an applicant if:

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30.1	(1) for the purpose of affixing the manufactured home to real property, the owner of
30.2	the manufactured home, or a previous owner, surrendered the manufacturer's certificate of
30.3	origin or certificate of title to the department as provided in section 168A.141, subdivision
30.4	<u>1 or 2;</u>
30.5	(2) the applicant provides written proof specified in subdivision 2 that the applicant
30.6	owns (i) the manufactured home and (ii) the real property to which the manufactured
30.7	home was affixed as provided under section 273.125, subdivision 8, paragraph (b);
30.8	(3) the applicant provides proof that no liens exist on the manufactured home,
30.9	including through liens on the real property to which it is affixed; and
30.10	(4) the owner of the manufactured home meets the application requirements of
30.11	section 168A.04, and the application is accompanied by a written statement from the
30.12	county auditor or county treasurer of the county in which the manufactured home is then
30.13	located and affixed, stating that all property taxes payable in the current year, as provided
30.14	under section 273.125, subdivision 8, paragraph (b), have been paid.
30.15	Subd. 2. Proof of eligibility for reissuance. (a) The proof required under
30.16	subdivision 1, clauses (2) and (3), is as follows:
30.17	(1) an affidavit of severance recorded in the office of the county recorder or registrar
30.18	of titles, whichever applies to the real property, of the county in which the notice of
30.19	surrender was recorded under section 168A.141, subdivision 1, and the affidavit contains:
30.20	(i) the name, residence address, and mailing address of the owner or owners of
30.21	the manufactured home;
30.22	(ii) a description of the manufactured home, including the name of the manufacturer;
30.23	the make, model number, model year, dimensions, and manufacturer's serial number of the
30.24	manufactured home; and whether the manufactured home is new or used;
30.25	(iii) recording information regarding the affidavit of affixation, including the date of
30.26	recording and either the recording document number or book and page reference; and
30.27	(iv) a statement of any facts or information known to the person executing the
30.28	affidavit that could affect the validity of the title of the manufactured home or the existence
30.29	or nonexistence of a security interest in the manufactured home or a lien on it, or a
30.30	statement that no such facts or information are known to the person executing the affidavit;
30.31	(2) as an attachment to the affidavit of severance, an opinion by an attorney admitted
30.32	to practice law in this state, or by a licensed agent of a title insurance company licensed to
30.33	do title insurance business in this state, stating:
30.34	(i) the nature of the examination of title performed prior to giving this opinion by
30.35	the person signing the opinion;

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(ii) that the manufactured hon	ne and the real proper	rty on which it is lo	ocated is not		
subject to any recorded mortgages,	security interests, lies	ns, or other encuml	brances of		
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(3) the name and address of the	ne person or persons of	lesignated by the ap	pplicant to file		
a certified copy of the affidavit of se	everance with the cour	nty auditor of the co	ounty in which		
the real estate is located, after the at	ffidavit has been prop	erly recorded in the	e office of the		
county recorder or county registrar	of titles, whichever ap	pplies to the real pr	operty; and		
(4) the signature of the person	who executes the aff	idavit, properly exe	ecuted before a		
person authorized to authenticate ar	n affidavit in this state	<u>ə.</u>			
(b) The person designated in p	paragraph (a), clause	(3), shall record, o	r arrange		
for the recording of, the affidavit of	severance as referen	ced in that item, ac	companied		
by the fees for recording and for iss	suing a certified copy	of the affidavit, inc	cluding all		
attachments, showing the recording	date.				
(c) Upon obtaining the certified	ed copy under paragra	aph (b), the person	designated in		
the affidavit shall deliver the certifie	ed copy to the county	auditor of the cour	nty in which		
the real estate to which it was affixed	ed is located.				
(d) The department is not liable for any errors, omissions, misstatements, or other					

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deficiencies or inaccuracies in documents presented to the department under this section, so long as the documents presented appear to satisfy the requirements of this section. The department has no obligation to investigate the accuracy of statements contained in the documents.

Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 168A.15, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Certain unconventional vehicles; requirements to obtain certificate for reconstructed vehicle. If a vehicle is altered so as to become a reconstructed vehicle or restored pioneer vehicle, the owner shall apply for a certificate of title to the reconstructed

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vehicle in the manner provided in section 168A.04, and any existing certificate of title to the vehicle shall be surrendered for cancellation.

Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.06, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

- Subd. 4. **Obedience to traffic-control signal or flagger; presumptions.** (a) The driver of any vehicle shall obey the instructions of any official traffic-control device applicable thereto placed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, unless otherwise directed by a police officer or by a certified overdimensional load escort driver flagger authorized under this subdivision, subject to the exceptions granted the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle in this chapter.
- (b) No provision of this chapter for which official traffic-control devices are required shall be enforced against an alleged violator if at the time and place of the alleged violation an official device is not in proper position and sufficiently legible to be seen by an ordinarily observant person. Whenever a particular section does not state that official traffic-control devices are required, such section shall be effective even though no devices are erected or in place.
- (c) Whenever official traffic-control devices are placed in position approximately conforming to the requirements of this chapter, such devices shall be presumed to have been so placed by the official act or direction of lawful authority, unless the contrary shall be established by competent evidence.
- (d) Any official traffic-control device placed pursuant to the provisions of this chapter and purporting to conform to the lawful requirements pertaining to such devices shall be presumed to comply with the requirements of this chapter, unless the contrary shall be established by competent evidence.
- (e) A flagger in a designated work zone may stop vehicles and hold vehicles in place until it is safe for the vehicles to proceed. A person operating a motor vehicle that has been stopped by a flagger in a designated work zone may proceed after stopping only on instruction by the flagger.
- (f) An overdimensional load escort driver with a certificate issued under section 299D.085, while acting as a flagger escorting a legal overdimensional load, may stop vehicles and hold vehicles in place until it is safe for the vehicles to proceed. A person operating a motor vehicle that has been stopped by an escort driver acting as a flagger may proceed only on instruction by the flagger or a police officer.
- (g) A person may stop and hold vehicles in place until it is safe for the vehicles to proceed, if the person: (1) holds a motorcycle road guard certificate issued under section 171.60; (2) meets the safety and equipment standards for operating under the

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certificate; and (3) is acting as a flagger escorting a motorcycle group ride. A flagger operating as provided under this paragraph may direct operators of motorcycles within a motorcycle group ride or other vehicle traffic, notwithstanding any contrary indication of a traffic-control device, including stop signs or traffic-control signals. A person operating a vehicle that has been stopped by a flagger under this paragraph may proceed only on instruction by the flagger or a police officer.

Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.222, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

- Subd. 6. **Bicycle equipment.** (a) No person shall operate a bicycle at nighttime unless the bicycle or its operator is equipped with a lamp which shall emit a white light visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front and with a red reflector of a type approved by the Department of Public Safety which is visible from all distances from 100 feet to 600 feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful lower beams of headlamps on a motor vehicle.
- (b) No person may operate a bicycle at any time when there is not sufficient light to render persons and vehicles on the highway clearly discernible at a distance of 500 feet ahead unless the bicycle or its operator is equipped with reflective surfaces that shall be visible during the hours of darkness from 600 feet when viewed in front of lawful lower beams of headlamps on a motor vehicle. The reflective surfaces shall include reflective materials on each side of each pedal to indicate their presence from the front or the rear and with a minimum of 20 square inches of reflective material on each side of the bicycle or its operator. Any bicycle equipped with side reflectors as required by regulations for new bicycles prescribed by the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission shall be considered to meet the requirements for side reflectorization contained in this subdivision.
- (c) A bicycle may be equipped with a front lamp that emits a white flashing signal, and a rear lamp that emits a red flashing signal.
- (d) No person shall operate a bicycle unless it is equipped with appropriate tires. A bicycle may be equipped with tires having studs, spikes, or other protuberances.
- (b) (e) No person shall operate a bicycle unless it is equipped with a brake which will enable the operator to make the braked wheels skid on dry, level, clean pavement.
- (e) (f) No person shall operate upon a highway any bicycle equipped with handlebars so raised that the operator must elevate the hands above the level of the shoulders in order to grasp the normal steering grip area.
- (d) (g) No person shall operate upon a highway any bicycle which is of such a size as to prevent the operator from stopping the bicycle, supporting it with at least one foot on the highway surface and restarting in a safe manner.

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Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.4501, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. National standards adopted. Except as provided in sections 169.4502 and 169.4503, the construction, design, equipment, and color of types A, B, C, D school buses and multifunction school activity buses used for the transportation of school children shall meet the requirements of the "bus chassis standards" and "bus body standards and chassis specifications" in the 2005 2010 edition of the "National School Transportation Specifications and Procedures" adopted by the National Congress on School Transportation. Except as provided in section 169.4504, the construction, design, and equipment of types A, B, C, D school buses and multifunction school activity buses used for the transportation of students with disabilities also shall meet the requirements of the "specially equipped school bus standards specifications" in the 2005 2010 National School Transportation Specifications and Procedures. The "bus chassis standards," "bus body standards, and chassis specifications" and "specially equipped school bus standards specifications" sections of the 2005 2010 edition of the "National School Transportation Specifications and Procedures," adopted by the Fifteenth National Congress on School <u>Transportation</u>, are incorporated by reference in this chapter.

Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.4501, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Applicability.** (a) The standards adopted in this section and sections 169.4502 and 169.4503, govern the construction, design, equipment, and color of school buses used for the transportation of school children, when owned or leased and operated by a school or privately owned or leased and operated under a contract with a school. Each school, its officers and employees, and each person employed under the contract is subject to these standards.

- (b) The standards apply to school buses manufactured after December 31, 2007 2012. Buses complying with the standards when manufactured need not comply with standards established later except as specifically provided for by law.
- (c) A school bus manufactured on or before December 31, 2007 2012, must conform to the Minnesota standards in effect on the date the vehicle was manufactured except as specifically provided for in law.
- (d) A new bus body may be remounted on a used chassis provided that the remounted vehicle meets state and federal standards for new buses which are current at the time of the remounting. Permission must be obtained from the commissioner of public safety before the remounting is done. A used bus body may not be remounted on a new or used chassis.

Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.4503, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

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35.1	Subd. 5. Colors. Fenderettes may be black. The beltline may be painted yellow
35.2	over black or black over yellow. The rub rails shall be black. The area around the lenses
35.3	of alternately flashing signal lamps extending outward from the edge of the lamp three
35.4	inches, plus or minus one-quarter inch, to the sides and top and at least one inch to the
35.5	bottom, shall be black. Visors or hoods, black in color, with a minimum of four inches
35.6	may be provided.
35.7	Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.4503, subdivision 20, is amended to
35.8	read:
35.9	Subd. 20. Seat and crash barriers. (a) All restraining barriers and passenger seats
35.10	shall be covered with a material that has fire retardant or fire block characteristics.
35.11	(b) All seats must have a minimum cushion depth of 15 inches and a seat back
35.12	height of at least 20 inches above the seating reference point, and beginning October 21,
35.13	2009, must also conform to the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard in Code of Federal
35.14	Regulations, title 49, section 571.222.
35.15	Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.4503, is amended by adding a
35.16	subdivision to read:
35.17	Subd. 28. Auxiliary fans. Additional auxiliary fans are required for school buses
35.18	manufactured on or after December 31, 2012, and shall meet the following requirements:
35.19	(1) fans for the left and right sides of the windshields shall be placed in a location
35.20	where they can be adjusted for maximum effectiveness and where they do not obstruct
35.21	vision to any mirror. Type A buses may be equipped with one fan;
35.22	(2) fans shall be a minimum of six inches in diameter;
35.23	(3) fan blades shall be covered with a protective cage; and
35.24	(4) each fan shall be controlled by a separate switch.
35.25	Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.4503, is amended by adding a
35.26	subdivision to read:
35.27	Subd. 29. Video/mobile surveillance systems. Camera heads for video/mobile
35.28	surveillance may be mounted in the driver compartment area, mid-bus, or on a rear interior
35.29	bulkhead in the student passenger area. For buses manufactured or retrofitted with a
35.30	surveillance system after December 31, 2012, cameras mounted mid-bus must be parallel
35.31	to a seat back, must not have any sharp edges, must not extend outward more than three
35.32	inches, and must be located within 24 inches of the top of the side window of the bus.

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Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.451, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

- Subd. 3. **Rules of commissioner.** (a) The commissioner of public safety shall provide by rule for the issuance and display of distinctive inspection certificates.
- (b) The commissioner of public safety shall provide by rule a point system for evaluating the effect on safety operation of any variance from law detected during inspections conducted pursuant to subdivision 1.
- Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.4582, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. **Duty to report; school official.** Consistent with the school bus safety policy under section 123B.91, subdivision 1, the school principal, the school transportation safety director, or other designated school official shall immediately report to the local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction where the misbehavior occurred and to the school superintendent if the reporting school official knows or has reason to believe that a student has committed a reportable offense on a school bus or in a bus loading or unloading area. The reporting school official shall issue a report to the commissioner of public safety concerning the incident on a form developed by the commissioner for that purpose upon request of the commissioner.
- Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.72, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

 Subdivision 1. **Solid rubber, metal, and studded tires; exceptions; permits.** (a)

 Every solid rubber tire on a vehicle shall must have rubber on its entire traction surface at least one inch thick above the edge of the flange of the entire periphery.
 - (b) No person shall operate or move on any highway any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, having any metal tire in contact with the roadway, except in case of emergency.
 - (c) Except as provided in this section, no tire on a vehicle moved on a highway shall have on its periphery any block, stud, flange, cleat, or spike or any other protuberances of any material other than rubber which projects beyond the tread of the traction surface of the tire.
 - (d) It shall be is permissible to use any of the following on highways:
- 36.28 (1) implements of husbandry with tires having protuberances which will not injure the highway, and;
 - (2) tire chains of reasonable proportions upon any vehicle when required for safety because of snow, ice, or other conditions tending to cause a vehicle to skid; and
 - (3) tires on a bicycle as provided in section 169.222, subdivision 6.
- 36.33 (d) (e) The commissioner and local authorities in their respective jurisdictions may, in their discretion, issue special permits authorizing the operation upon a highway of

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traction engines or tractors having movable tracks with transverse corrugations upon the
periphery of such movable tracks or farm tractors or other farm machinery, the operation
of which upon a highway would otherwise be prohibited under this chapter.

37.4	Sec. 45. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.801, subdivision 10, is amended to read:
37.5	Subd. 10. Brakes. Notwithstanding section 169.67:

- (a) A self-propelled implement of husbandry must be equipped with brakes adequate to control its movement and to stop and hold it and any vehicle it is towing.
- (b) A towed implement of husbandry must be equipped with brakes adequate to control its movement and to stop and hold it if:, unless the implement of husbandry is in a combination of vehicles that meets the requirements of section 169.67, subdivision 5.
- (1) it has a gross vehicle weight of more than 24,000 pounds and was manufactured and sold after January 1, 1994;
- (2) it has a gross vehicle weight of more than 12,000 pounds and is towed by a vehicle other than a self-propelled implement of husbandry; or
- (3) it has a gross vehicle weight of more than 3,000 pounds and is being towed by a registered passenger automobile other than a pickup truck as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 26.
- (c) If a towed implement of husbandry with a gross vehicle weight of more than 6,000 pounds, or more than 3,000 pounds if manufactured after January 1, 2011, is required under paragraph (b) to have brakes, it must also be equipped with brakes adequate to stop and hold it if it becomes detached from the towing vehicle.
- Sec. 46. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.81, subdivision 3, is amended to read: 37.22
 - Subd. 3. Length of vehicle combinations. (a) Statewide, except on the highways identified under provisions in paragraph (c), no combination of vehicles may exceed a total length of 75 feet.
 - (b) However, the total length limitation does not apply to combinations of vehicles transporting:
- (1) telephone poles, electric light and power poles, piling, or pole-length pulpwood; 37.28 37.29 or
 - (2) pipe or other objects by a public utility when required for emergency or repair of public service facilities or when operated under special permits as provided in section 169.86.

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These combinations of vehicles must be equipped with sufficient clearance markers, or lamps for night transportation, on both sides and upon the extreme ends of a projecting load to clearly mark the dimensions of the load.

- (c) The following combination of vehicles regularly engaged in the transportation of commodities, property, or equipment, may operate only on divided highways having four or more lanes of travel, and on other highways as may be designated by the commissioner of transportation subject to section 169.87, subdivision 1, and subject to the approval of the authority having jurisdiction over the highway, for the purpose of providing reasonable access between the divided highways of four or more lanes of travel and terminals, facilities for food, fuel, repair, and rest, and points of loading and unloading for household goods carriers, livestock carriers, or for the purpose of providing continuity of route:
 - (1) a truck-tractor and semitrailer exceeding 75 feet in length;
- (2) a combination of vehicles including a truck-tractor and semitrailer drawing one additional semitrailer which may be equipped with an auxiliary dolly;
- (3) a combination of vehicles including a truck-tractor and semitrailer drawing one full trailer;
- (4) a truck-tractor and semitrailer designed and used exclusively for the transportation of motor vehicles or boats and exceeding an overall length of 75 feet including the load; and
- (5) a truck or truck-tractor transporting similar vehicles by having the front axle of the transported vehicle mounted onto the center or rear part of the preceding vehicle, defined in Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, sections 390.5 and 393.5 as drive-away saddlemount combinations or drive-away saddlemount vehicle transporter combinations, when the overall length exceeds 75 feet but does not exceed 97 feet.
- (d) Vehicles operated under the provisions of this section must conform to the standards for those vehicles prescribed by the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Bureau of Motor Carrier Safety, as amended.
- (e) For purposes of this paragraph, "total length" means the overall length of the motor vehicle including (1) bumpers and load; and (2) the length of any semitrailer, as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 30, and any trailer, as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 35. The maximum allowable total length of a commercial vehicle combination is 55 feet on that portion of marked Trunk Highway 36 from the intersection with marked Trunk Highway 95 and Washington County State-Aid Highway 23 in Stillwater, to the Stillwater lift bridge, located on marked Trunk Highway 36 over the St. Croix River in Stillwater. This paragraph does not apply to emergency vehicles; motor vehicles while engaged in work on the bridge or on the portion of highway described in this paragraph,

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including snow and ice removal and flood control; a vehicle carrying an oversize permi
issued under section 169.86, subdivision 5, paragraph (d); and vehicles on the Stillwater
lift bridge.

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

39.5	Sec. 47. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.86, subdivision 3b, is amended to read:
39.6	Subd. 3b. Escort vehicles. The commissioner or local authority shall specify in
39.7	the permit:

- (1) the minimum number of escort vehicles required to escort the overdimensional load; and
- (2) whether the operators of the escort vehicles must be certified licensed peace officers, or may be overdimensional load escort drivers who hold a current certificate under section 299D.085, or may be civilian escort drivers as provided under section 299D.085.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective on the effective date of this subdivision under Laws 2010, chapter 311, section 4.

- Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.872, subdivision 1a, is amended to read: Subd. 1a. Limit on civil penalties. A civil penalty for excessive weight under section 169.871 may be imposed based on a record of a shipment under this section only if a state law enforcement officer or motor transportation representative (1) has inspected and copied the record within 14 days of the date the shipment was received by the person keeping the record, and (2) has assessed the penalty within 60 days of the date the officer or representative inspected and copied the record.
- Sec. 49. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.98, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. Colors and markings. (a) Except as provided in subdivisions 2 and 2a, all motor vehicles which are primarily used in the enforcement of highway traffic rules by the State Patrol or for general uniform patrol assignment by any municipal police department or other law enforcement agency, except conservation officers, shall have uniform colors and markings as provided in this subdivision. Motor vehicles of:
- (1) municipal police departments, including the University of Minnesota Police Department and park police units, shall be predominantly blue, brown, green, black, or white;
 - (2) the State Patrol shall be predominantly maroon; and
- (3) the county sheriff's office shall be predominantly brown, black, gold, or white.

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(b) The identity of the governmental unit operating the vehicle shall be displayed or
both front door panels and on the rear of the vehicle. The identity may be in the form of
a shield or emblem, or may be the word "police," "sheriff," or the words "State Patrol"
or "conservation officer," as appropriate, with letters not less than 2-1/2 inches high,
one-inch wide and of a three-eighths inch brush stroke. The identity shall be of a color
contrasting with the background color so that the motor vehicle is easily identifiable as
belonging to a specific type of law enforcement agency. Each vehicle shall be marked
with its own identifying number on the rear of the vehicle. The number shall be printed
in the same size and color required pursuant to this subdivision for identifying words
which may be displayed on the vehicle.

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- Sec. 50. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.98, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. **Security guard vehicle.** (a) All motor vehicles which are used by security guards in the course of their employment may have any color other than those specified in subdivision 1 for law enforcement vehicles. The identity of the security service shall be displayed on the motor vehicle as required for law enforcement vehicles.
- (b) Notwithstanding subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (1), a security guard may continue to use a motor vehicle that is predominantly black in the course of the guard's employment if the vehicle was being used in this manner before August 1, 2002.
- (c) Notwithstanding subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (3), a security guard may continue to use a motor vehicle that is predominantly gold in the course of the guard's employment if the vehicle was being used in this manner before August 1, 2012.
- Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 171.02, subdivision 2b, is amended to read:
 - Subd. 2b. **Exception for type III vehicle drivers.** (a) Notwithstanding subdivision 2, the holder of a class A, B, C, or D driver's license, without a school bus endorsement, may operate a type III vehicle described in section 169.011, subdivision 71, paragraph (h), under the conditions in paragraphs (b) through (o).
 - (b) The operator is an employee of the entity that owns, leases, or contracts for the school bus.
 - (c) The operator's employer has adopted and implemented a policy that provides for annual training and certification of the operator in:
 - (1) safe operation of a type III vehicle;
- 40.32 (2) understanding student behavior, including issues relating to students with disabilities;

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41.1	(3) encouraging orderly conduct of students on the bus and handling incidents of
41.2	misconduct appropriately;
41.3	(4) knowing and understanding relevant laws, rules of the road, and local school
41.4	bus safety policies;
41.5	(5) handling emergency situations;
41.6	(6) proper use of seat belts and child safety restraints;
41.7	(7) performance of pretrip vehicle inspections;
41.8	(8) safe loading and unloading of students, including, but not limited to:
41.9	(i) utilizing a safe location for loading and unloading students at the curb, on the
41.10	nontraffic side of the roadway, or at off-street loading areas, driveways, yards, and other
41.11	areas to enable the student to avoid hazardous conditions;
41.12	(ii) refraining from loading and unloading students in a vehicular traffic lane, on the
41.13	shoulder, in a designated turn lane, or a lane adjacent to a designated turn lane;
41.14	(iii) avoiding a loading or unloading location that would require a pupil to cross a
41.15	road, or ensuring that the driver or an aide personally escort the pupil across the road if it
41.16	is not reasonably feasible to avoid such a location;
41.17	(iv) placing the type III vehicle in "park" during loading and unloading; and
41.18	(v) escorting a pupil across the road under item (iii) only after the motor is stopped,
41.19	the ignition key is removed, the brakes are set, and the vehicle is otherwise rendered
41.20	immobile; and
41.21	(9) compliance with paragraph (k), concerning reporting certain convictions to the
41.22	employer within ten days of the date of conviction.
41.23	(d) A background check or background investigation of the operator has been
41.24	conducted that meets the requirements under section 122A.18, subdivision 8, or 123B.03
41.25	for school district employees; section 144.057 or chapter 245C for day care employees; or
41.26	section 171.321, subdivision 3, for all other persons operating a type III vehicle under
41.27	this subdivision.
41.28	(e) Operators shall submit to a physical examination as required by section 171.321
41.29	subdivision 2.
41.30	(f) The operator's employer requires preemployment drug testing of applicants for
41.31	operator positions. Current operators must comply with the employer's policy under
41.32	section 181.951, subdivisions 2, 4, and 5. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the
41.33	operator's employer may use a Breathalyzer or similar device to fulfill random alcohol

(g) The operator's driver's license is verified annually by the entity that owns, leases,

or contracts for the type III vehicle as required under section 171.321, subdivision 5.

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(h) A person who sustains a conviction, as defined under section 609.02, of violating
section 169A.25, 169A.26, 169A.27, or 169A.31, or whose driver's license is revoked
under sections 169A.50 to 169A.53 of the implied consent law, or who is convicted of
violating or whose driver's license is revoked under a similar statute or ordinance of
another state, is precluded from operating a type III vehicle for five years from the date
of conviction.

- (i) A person who has ever been convicted of a disqualifying offense as defined in section 171.3215, subdivision 1, paragraph (c), may not operate a type III vehicle under this subdivision.
- (j) A person who sustains a conviction, as defined under section 609.02, of a moving offense in violation of chapter 169 within three years of the first of three other moving offenses is precluded from operating a type III vehicle for one year from the date of the last conviction.
- (k) An operator who sustains a conviction as described in paragraph (h), (i), or (j) while employed by the entity that owns, leases, or contracts for the school bus, shall report the conviction to the employer within ten days of the date of the conviction.
- (l) Students riding the type III vehicle must have training required under section 123B.90, subdivision 2.
- (m) Documentation of meeting the requirements listed in this subdivision must be maintained under separate file at the business location for each type III vehicle operator. The business manager, school board, governing body of a nonpublic school, or any other entity that owns, leases, or contracts for the type III vehicle operating under this subdivision is responsible for maintaining these files for inspection.
- (n) The type III vehicle must bear a current certificate of inspection issued under section 169.451.
- (o) An employee of a school or of a school district, who is not employed for the sole purpose of operating a type III vehicle, is exempt from paragraphs (e) and (f).
- (p) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, if the testing under paragraph (f) follows the testing procedures set forth for transportation workplace drug and alcohol testing programs in Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, part 40, any person who is also required to comply with the alcohol and controlled substances testing requirements of Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, part 219, 382, or 655, is exempt from sections 181.950 to 181.957.
- Sec. 52. Minnesota Statutes 2011 Supplement, section 171.05, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

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43.1	Subd. 2. Person less than 18 years of age. (a) Notwithstanding any provision
43.2	in subdivision 1 to the contrary, the department may issue an instruction permit to an
43.3	applicant who is 15, 16, or 17 years of age and who:
43.4	(1) has completed a course of driver education in another state, has a previously
43.5	issued valid license from another state, or is enrolled in either:
43.6	(i) the applicant is enrolled in behind-the-wheel training in a public, private, or
43.7	commercial driver education program that utilizes simulation or behind-the-wheel
43.8	instruction and that is approved by the commissioner of public safety; and
43.9	(ii) the applicant:
43.10	(A) has successfully completed the classroom phase of instruction in a public,
43.11	private, or commercial driver education program that is approved by the commissioner of
43.12	public safety and that includes classroom and behind-the-wheel training; or;
43.13	(ii) an approved behind-the-wheel driver education program
43.14	(B) has successfully completed homeschool driver training, when the student
43.15	is receiving full-time instruction in a home school within the meaning of sections
43.16	120A.22 and 120A.24, the student is working toward a homeschool diploma, the student
43.17	is taking home-classroom driver training with classroom materials are approved by
43.18	the commissioner of public safety, and the student's parent has certified the student's
43.19	homeschool and home-classroom driver training status on the form approved by the
43.20	commissioner; or
43.21	(C) concurrent to the instruction under item (i), is enrolled in the classroom phase of
43.22	instruction in a public, private, or commercial driver education program that is approved
43.23	by the commissioner of public safety, and completes 15 hours of classroom instruction and
43.24	one behind-the-wheel lesson with an instructor;
43.25	(2) has completed the classroom phase of instruction in the driver education program;
43.26	(3) (2) has passed a test of the applicant's eyesight;
43.27	(4) (3) has passed a department-administered test of the applicant's knowledge
43.28	of traffic laws;
43.29	(5) (4) has completed the required application, which must be approved by (i) either
43.30	parent when both reside in the same household as the minor applicant or, if otherwise,
43.31	then (ii) the parent or spouse of the parent having custody or, in the event there is no court
43.32	order for custody, then (iii) the parent or spouse of the parent with whom the minor is
43.33	living or, if items (i) to through (iii) do not apply, then (iv) the guardian having custody of
43.34	the minor, (v) the foster parent or the director of the transitional living program in which
43.35	the child resides or, in the event a person under the age of 18 has no living father, mother,
43.36	or guardian, then (v) the foster parent or the director of the transitional living program

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is married or otherwise legally emancipated, then (vi) the applicant's adult spouse, adult close family member, or adult employer; provided, that the approval required by this clause contains a verification of the age of the applicant and the identity of the parent, guardian, foster parent, program director, adult spouse, adult close family member, or adult employer; and

(6) (5) has paid the fee all fees required in section 171.06, subdivision 2.

- (b) For the purposes of determining compliance with the certification of paragraph (a), clause (1), item (ii), subitem (B), the commissioner may request verification of a student's homeschool status from the superintendent of the school district in which the student resides and the superintendent shall provide that verification.
- (c) The instruction permit is valid for two years from the date of application and may be renewed upon payment of a fee equal to the fee for issuance of an instruction permit under section 171.06, subdivision 2.
- Sec. 53. Minnesota Statutes 2011 Supplement, section 171.06, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Fees**; additional charges. (a) The fees for a license and Minnesota identification card are as follows:

44.19	Classified Driver's License	D-\$17.25	C-\$21.25	B-\$28.25	A-\$36.25
44.20	Classified Under-21 D.L.	D-\$17.25	C-\$21.25	B-\$28.25	A-\$16.25
44.21	Enhanced Driver's License	D-\$32.25	C-\$36.25	B-\$43.25	A-\$51.25
44.22	Instruction Permit				\$5.25
44.23 44.24	Enhanced Instruction Permit				\$20.25
44.25	Provisional License				\$8.25
44.26 44.27	Enhanced Provisional License				\$23.25
44.28 44.29 44.30	Duplicate License or duplicate identification card				\$6.75
44.31 44.32 44.33	Enhanced Duplicate License or enhanced duplicate identification				001.77
44.34	card				\$21.75

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purposes of public information and education on anatomical gifts under section 171.075.

(g) In addition to the instruction permit fee required under paragraph (a), the

commissioner shall collect an additional \$5 program implementation fee from an applicant

who is enrolled in concurrent driver education instruction as provided in section 171.05,

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subdivision 2, paragraph (a), clause (1), item (ii), subitem (C). The commissioner shall

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46.2	terminate the fee under this paragraph when the department has fully recovered its
46.3	costs to implement concurrent classroom phase and behind-the-wheel instruction under
46.4	section 171.05. The commissioner shall deposit proceeds of the fee in the driver services
46.5	operating account in the special revenue fund. Proceeds from the fee under this paragraph
46.6	are annually appropriated to the commissioner from the driver services operating account
46.7	for administrative costs to implement concurrent driver education.
46.8	Sec. 54. [171.60] MOTORCYCLE ROAD GUARD CERTIFICATE.
46.9	Subdivision 1. Certificate required. No person may perform traffic control as a
46.10	motorcycle road guard as provided under chapter 169 without a valid motorcycle road
46.11	guard certificate issued by the commissioner.
46.12	Subd. 2. Certification qualifications and standards; fee. Through the Minnesota
46.13	Motorcycle Safety Center, the commissioner of public safety shall:
46.14	(1) establish qualifications and requirements for a person to obtain a motorcycle road
46.15	guard certificate under this section, which must include:
46.16	(i) a minimum 18 years of age;
46.17	(ii) possession of a valid driver's license; and
46.18	(iii) successful completion of a motorcycle road guard certification course;
46.19	(2) develop and offer, whether by the Minnesota Motorcycle Safety Center or
46.20	authorized agents, a motorcycle road guard certification course; and
46.21	(3) establish safety and equipment standards for a person who operates under a
46.22	motorcycle road guard certificate, including but not limited to specifying requirements
46.23	for a reflective safety vest.
46.24	Subd. 3. Fee. The commissioner of public safety shall assess a fee for each applicant
46.25	for a motorcycle road guard certificate, calculated to cover the commissioner's cost of
46.26	establishing and administering the program.
46.27	Subd. 4. Penalty. A person who violates any provision of this section is guilty
46.28	of a petty misdemeanor.
46.29	Subd. 5. Rulemaking. The commissioner of public safety shall adopt rules to carry
46.30	out the provisions of this section. Notwithstanding section 16A.1283, the rules must
46.31	specify the fee to be assessed under subdivision 3.
46.32	Sec. 55. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 174.03, subdivision 1b, is amended to read:
46.33	Subd. 1b. Statewide freight and passenger rail plan; freight rail economic
46.34	development study. (a) The commissioner shall develop a comprehensive statewide

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freight and passenger rail plan to be included and revised as a part of the statewide transportation plan.

- (b) Before the initial version of the plan is adopted, the commissioner shall provide a copy for review and comment to the chairs and ranking minority members of the senate and house of representatives committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance. Notwithstanding paragraph (a), the commissioner may adopt the next revision of the statewide transportation plan, scheduled to be completed in calendar year 2009, prior to completion of the initial version of the comprehensive statewide freight and passenger rail plan.
- (b) The commissioner, in cooperation with the commissioner of employment and economic development, shall conduct a freight rail economic development study. The study must assess the economic impact of freight railroads in the state and identify opportunities to expand business development and enhance economic competitiveness through improved utilization of freight rail options. The commissioner shall incorporate findings from the study as an amendment or update to the comprehensive statewide freight and passenger rail plan.
- (c) The commissioner shall provide an interim progress report by January 15, 2013, and a final report by September 1, 2013, on the freight rail economic development study to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance and employment and economic development. The final report must include any recommended legislative initiatives.
- (d) The commissioner may expend money under section 222.50, subdivision 7, to pay the costs of the study and reports under paragraphs (b) and (c).

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

- Sec. 56. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 221.091, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. **Small vehicle passenger service.** (a) A city that licenses and regulates small vehicle passenger service must do so by ordinance. The ordinance must, at a minimum, provide for driver qualifications, insurance, vehicle safety, and periodic vehicle inspections. A city that has adopted an ordinance complying with this subdivision may enforce the registration requirement in section 221.021.
- (b) A person who provides small vehicle passenger service to an individual for the purpose of obtaining nonemergency medical care and who receives reimbursement under section 256B.0625, subdivision 17, for providing the service, must comply with the rules of the commissioner adopted under section 174.30.

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48.1	Sec. 57. Minnesota Statutes 2	011 Supplement, section	on 299A.705, subdiv	vision 3,
48.2	is amended to read:			
48.3	Subd. 3. Driver and vehic	le services technology	account. (a) The d	lriver and
48.4	vehicle services technology accou	ant is created in the spe	cial revenue fund, c	consisting of
48.5	the technology surcharge collecte	d as specified in chapte	ers 168, 168A, and 1	71; the filing
48.6	fee revenue collected under section	on 168.33, subdivision	7; and any other mo	ney otherwise
48.7	donated, allotted, appropriated, or	r legislated to this acco	unt.	
48.8	(b) Money in the account is	annually appropriated	to the commissione	er of public
48.9	safety to support the research, dev	velopment, deployment	, and maintenance o	of a driver and
48.10	vehicle services information syste	em, except that on or a	fter the effective dat	te of this
48.11	section, the commissioner may no	ot expend funds from th	e account until the	commissioner
48.12	has entered into at least one agree	ement with a private en	tity to develop the i	nformation
48.13	system.			
48.14	(c) Following completion o	f the deposit of filing fe	ee revenue into the	driver and
48.15	vehicle services technology accou	ant as provided under se	ection 168.33, subdi	ivision 7, the
48.16	commissioner shall submit a noti	fication to the chairs an	nd ranking minority	members
48.17	of the legislative committees with	n jurisdiction over trans	sportation policy and	d finance
48.18	concerning driver and vehicle ser	vices information syste	m implementation,	which must
48.19	include information on (1) total r	evenue deposited in the	e driver and vehicle	services
48.20	technology account, with a break	down by sources of fund	ds; (2) total project of	costs incurred
48.21	with a breakdown by key project	components; and (3) as	n estimate of ongoin	ng system
48.22	maintenance costs.			
48.23	EFFECTIVE DATE. This	section is effective the	day following final	enactment.
48.24	Sec. 58. Minnesota Statutes 20	010, section 299D.085,	subdivision 1, is am	ended to read
48.25	Subdivision 1. Definition.	For purposes of this sec	ction, the following	terms have
48.26	the meanings given them:			
48.27	(1) "civilian escort driver" 1	means an individual wh	no is at least 18 year	rs of age,
48.28	holds a valid driver's license for t	he type of vehicle being	g operated, and does	s not hold an
48.29	overdimensional load escort drive	er certificate under this	section; and	
48.30	(2) "overdimensional load"	is a vehicle or combina	ation of vehicles of	a size or
48.31	weight of vehicle or load exceeding	ng the maximum specif	fied in chapter 169,	or otherwise

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49.1	Sec. 59. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 299D.085, is amended by adding a
49.2	subdivision to read:
49.3	Subd. 2a. Civilian escort driver. (a) A civilian escort driver who meets those
49.4	requirements established as of January 1, 2012, to provide overdimensional load escorts
49.5	under Minnesota Statutes and under policies and regulations of the Department of
49.6	Public Safety and the Department of Transportation, is exempt from the requirements of
49.7	subdivisions 2, 3, and 5.
49.8	(b) A civilian escort driver may not operate under this subdivision if the
49.9	overdimensional load:
49.10	(1) extends over the centerline of a roadway; or
49.11	(2) is routed to travel the wrong way on a road.
49.12	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective on the effective date of Minnesota
49.13	Statutes, section 299D.085, subdivisions 1 to 4, under Laws 2010, chapter 311, section 4.
49.14	Sec. 60. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 299D.09, is amended to read:
49.15	299D.09 ESCORT SERVICE; APPROPRIATION; RECEIPTS.
49.16	Fees charged for escort services provided by the State Patrol are annually
49.17	appropriated to the commissioner of public safety to administer and provide these services.
49.18	The fees fee charged for services provided by the State Patrol with a vehicle are
49.19	\$73.60 is \$79.28 an hour in fiscal year 2008 and \$75.76 an hour in fiscal year 2009 2013,
49.20	and in fiscal year 2014 and thereafter, the fee may be reviewed and adjusted by the
49.21	commissioner of public safety in an amount equal to the costs of providing this service.
49.22	The fees fee charged for services provided without a vehicle are \$54 is \$59.28 an hour in
49.23	fiscal year 2008 and \$56.16 an hour in fiscal year 2009 2013, and in fiscal year 2014 and
49.23	thereafter, the fee may be reviewed and adjusted by the commissioner of public safety
49.25	in an amount equal to the costs of providing this service.
49.26	The fees charged for State Patrol flight services are \$140 an hour for a fixed wing
49.27	aircraft, \$490 an hour for a helicopter, and \$600 an hour for the Queen Air in fiscal
49.28	year 2012; \$139.64 an hour for a fixed wing aircraft, \$560.83 an hour for a helicopter,
49.29	and \$454.84 an hour for the Queen Air in fiscal year 2013; and in fiscal year 2014 and
49.30	thereafter, the fees may be reviewed and adjusted by the commissioner of public safety in
49.31	an amount equal to the costs of providing these services.
49.32	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2012.

Sec. 61. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 473.388, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

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50.1	Subd. 2. Replacement service; eligibility. (a) The council may provide assistance
50.2	under the program to a statutory or home rule charter city or town or combination thereof,
50.3	that:
50.4	(a) (1) is located in the metropolitan transit taxing district;
50.5	(b) (2) is not served by the council bus service or is served only with council bus
50.6	routes which begin or end within the applying city or town or combination thereof; and
50.7	(e) (3) has fewer than four scheduled runs of council bus service during off-peak
50.8	hours as defined by the Metropolitan Council.
50.9	(b) Eligible cities or towns or combinations thereof may apply on behalf of a transit
50.10	operator with whom they propose to contract for service.
50.11	The council may not provide assistance under this section to a statutory or home rule
50.12	charter city or town unless the city or town,
50.13	(i) was receiving assistance under Minnesota Statutes 1982, section 174.265, by
50.14	July 1, 1984,
50.15	(ii) had submitted an application for assistance under that section by July 1, 1984, or
50.16	(iii) had submitted a letter of intent to apply for assistance under that section by July
50.17	1, 1984, and submits an application for assistance under this section by July 1, 1988. A
50.18	statutory or home rule charter city or town has an additional 12-month extension if it
50.19	notified the former regional transit board before July 1, 1988, that the city or town is in the
50.20	process of completing a transportation evaluation study that includes an assessment of
50.21	the local transit needs of the city or town.
50.22	(c) The council may not provide assistance under this section unless the statutory or
50.23	home rule charter city or town or combination:
50.24	(1) was receiving assistance under this section as of January 1, 2012; or
50.25	(2) had submitted an application for assistance under this section by July 1, 2016.
50.26	Sec. 62. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 473.388, subdivision 4, is amended to read:
50.27	Subd. 4. Financial assistance. (a) The council must grant the requested financial
50.28	assistance if it determines that the proposed service is intended to replace the service to
50.29	the applying city or town or combination thereof by the council and that the proposed
50.30	service will meet the needs of the applicant at least as efficiently and effectively as the
50.31	existing service.
50.32	(b) The <u>minimum</u> amount of assistance which the council must provide to a system
50.33	under this section may not be less than the sum of the amounts <u>calculated or</u> determined
50.34	for each municipality comprising the system as follows: of the replacement service
50.35	municipalities as provided in paragraphs (c) and (d).

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51.1	(c) For each replacement service municipality that received assistance under this
51.2	section in 2011, the minimum amount of financial assistance is calculated as:
51.3	(1) an amount equal to 3.74 percent of the total state revenues generated from the
51.4	taxes imposed under chapter 297B for the current fiscal year; times
51.5	(2) the ratio of (i) the transit operating assistance grants received under this
51.6	subdivision by the municipality in calendar year 2001 or the tax revenues for transit
51.7	services levied by the municipality for taxes payable in 2001, including that portion of the
51.8	levy derived from the areawide pool under section 473F.08, subdivision 3, clause (a), plus
51.9	the portion of the municipality's aid under section 273.1398, subdivision 2, attributable
51.10	to the transit levy; times (2) the ratio of (i) an amount equal to 3.74 percent of the state
51.11	revenues generated from the taxes imposed under chapter 297B for the current fiscal
51.12	year to (ii) the total transit operating assistance grants received under this subdivision
51.13	in calendar year 2001 or the tax revenues for transit services levied by all replacement
51.14	service municipalities under this section for taxes payable in 2001, including that portion
51.15	of the levy derived from the areawide pool under section 473F.08, subdivision 3, clause
51.16	(a), plus the portion of homestead and agricultural credit aid under section 273.1398,
51.17	subdivision 2, attributable to nondebt transit levies; times
51.18	(3) the ratio of (i) the municipality's total taxable market value for taxes payable
51.19	in 2006 divided by the municipality's total taxable market value for taxes payable in
51.20	2001, to (ii) the total taxable market value of all property located in replacement service
51.21	municipalities for taxes payable in 2006 divided by the total taxable market value of all
51.22	property located in replacement service municipalities for taxes payable in 2001.
51.23	(d) For each replacement service municipality that first begins receiving assistance
51.24	under this section after January 1, 2012, the council shall identify a minimum amount of
51.25	assistance. The amount must be (1) to the extent practical, commensurate with the amount
51.26	of assistance provided under paragraph (c); and (2) based on criteria developed by the
51.27	council, including the following factors: operating expenses and revenues from other
51.28	sources, service hours, ridership, and service performance standards.
51.29	(e) (e) The council shall pay the amount to be provided to the recipient from the
51.30	funds the council receives in the metropolitan area transit account under section 16A.88.
51.31	Sec. 63. Laws 2009, chapter 158, section 10, is amended to read:
51.32	Sec. 10. EFFECTIVE DATE.
51.33	Sections 2 and 3 are effective August 1, 2009, and the amendments made in sections
51.34	2 and 3 to Minnesota Statutes, sections 169.011 and 169.045, expire July 31, 2012 <u>2014</u> .
51.35	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

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52.1	Sec. 64. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 3, article 1, section 4, is amended to
52.2	read:
52.3	Sec. 4. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL \$ 39,038,000 \$ 39,038,000
52.4	This appropriation is from the general
52.5	fund for transit system operations under
52.6	Minnesota Statutes, sections 473.371 to
52.7	473.449.
52.8	Of this appropriation, \$140,000 in each
52.9	fiscal year is for transit service for disabled
52.10	veterans under Minnesota Statutes, section
52.11	473.408, subdivision 10.
52.12	The base appropriation is \$64,889,000 for
52.13	fiscal year 2014 and \$64,970,000 for fiscal
52.14	year 2015.
52.15	Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
52.16	473.388, subdivision 4, in each year of the
52.17	biennium fiscal year 2012, the Metropolitan
52.18	Council shall provide financial assistance to
52.19	transit providers under Minnesota Statutes,
52.20	section 473.388, in an amount that is
52.21	\$1,650,000 less than the amount of assistance
52.22	that was provided to transit providers by the
52.23	Metropolitan Council in fiscal year 2011.
52.24	Funds not transferred as a result of this
52.25	rider are available for use by the council for
52.26	metropolitan transit operations.
52.27	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
52.28	Sec. 65. <u>LEGISLATIVE ROUTE NO. 227 REMOVED.</u>
52.29	(a) Minnesota Statutes, section 161.115, subdivision 158, is repealed effective the
52.30	day after the commissioner of transportation receives a copy of the agreement between
52.31	the commissioner and the governing body of Wadena County to transfer jurisdiction of

Legislative Route No. 227 and notifies the revisor of statutes under paragraph (b).

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(b) The revisor of statutes shall delete the route identified in paragraph (a) from
Minnesota Statutes when the commissioner of transportation sends notice to the revisor
electronically or in writing that the conditions required to transfer the route have been
satisfied.

Sec. 66. <u>LEGISLATIVE ROUTE NO. 258 REMOVED.</u>

- (a) Minnesota Statutes, section 161.115, subdivision 189, is repealed effective the day after the commissioner of transportation receives a copy of the agreement between the commissioner and the governing body of Brown County to transfer jurisdiction of Legislative Route No. 258 and notifies the revisor of statutes under paragraph (b).
- (b) The revisor of statutes shall delete the route identified in paragraph (a) from Minnesota Statutes when the commissioner of transportation sends notice to the revisor electronically or in writing that the conditions required to transfer the route have been satisfied.

Sec. 67. LEGISLATIVE ROUTE NO. 291 REMOVED.

- (a) Minnesota Statutes, section 161.115, subdivision 222, is repealed effective the day after the commissioner of transportation receives a copy of the agreement between the commissioner and the governing body of the city of Hastings to transfer jurisdiction of Legislative Route No. 291 and notifies the revisor of statutes under paragraph (b).
- (b) The revisor of statutes shall delete the route identified in paragraph (a) from Minnesota Statutes when the commissioner of transportation sends notice to the revisor electronically or in writing that the conditions required to transfer the route have been satisfied.

Sec. 68. <u>ADDITIONAL DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR</u> <u>SCOTT COUNTY.</u>

Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 168.33, and rules adopted by the commissioner of public safety limiting sites for the Office of Deputy Registrar based on either the distance to an existing deputy registrar office or the annual volume of transactions processed by any deputy registrar, the commissioner of public safety shall appoint a county deputy registrar of motor vehicles for Scott County to operate an extension of Scott County's license bureau, with full authority to function as a registration and motor vehicle tax collection bureau, at the new library in the city of Elko New Market. Notwithstanding rules adopted by the commissioner governing business hours, the commissioner shall allow the deputy registrar to establish business hours of operation

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matching the hours of service at the new library in the city of Elko New Market. All other provisions regarding the appointment and operation of a deputy registrar of motor vehicles under Minnesota Statutes, section 168.33, and Minnesota Rules, chapter 7406, apply to the office.

Sec. 69. TRUNK HIGHWAY 47 MAINTENANCE.

Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the commissioner of transportation shall permit the Anoka County Board to perform routine roadway maintenance on the portion of marked Trunk Highway 47 north of marked Trunk Highway 10 and located within the jurisdiction of the county. For purposes of this section, "routine roadway maintenance" means work on the roadway to keep it in a reasonable state of repair and functional use, including but not limited to striping, erecting and maintaining traffic control devices, and adding turn lanes within existing rights-of-way.

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

Sec. 70. **DISTANCE-BASED FARE SURCHARGE; PILOT PROGRAM.**

Subdivision 1. **Pilot program authorized.** Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 473.408, subdivision 2a, or any other law to the contrary, replacement service transit providers operating under Minnesota Statutes, section 473.388, may establish a pilot program that adds a distance-based surcharge to standard transit fares.

- Subd. 2. **Pilot program restrictions.** (a) A replacement service transit provider exercising its authority under subdivision 1 may only impose a distance-based surcharge on routes with a total length greater than 15 miles.
- (b) Any distance-based surcharge imposed must be prorated on the basis of the distance traveled by the rider paying the surcharge.

Subd. 3. Reporting requirements. By August 1 of each year a pilot program is in effect, the replacement service transit provider imposing the distance-based surcharge shall submit to the chairs and ranking minority members of the house of representatives and senate committees having jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance a report detailing the activities of the pilot program. The report shall include information specifying the total revenue collected from the distance-based surcharge and the average surcharge collected per rider, analyzing any impact the surcharge has had on the fare policy considerations under Minnesota Statutes, section 473.408, subdivision 2, and any other information requested by the chairs of the house of representatives and senate committees having jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance.

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Sec. 71. **LEGISLATIVE REPORTS ON CONTRACTING.**

Subdivision 1. Submission of reports. The commissioner shall report on experience with and evaluation of the construction manager/general contractor method of contracting authorized in Minnesota Statutes, sections 161.3207 to 161.3209. The reports must be submitted to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy or transportation finance and in compliance with Minnesota Statutes, sections 3.195 and 3.197. An interim report must be submitted no later than 12 months following the commissioner's acceptance of five construction manager/general contractor contracts. A final report must be submitted no later than 12 months following the commissioner's acceptance of ten construction manager/general contractor contracts.

Subd. 2. Content of reports. The reports must include: (1) a description of circumstances of any projects as to which construction manager/general contractor requests for qualifications or requests for proposals were solicited, followed by a cancellation of the solicitation; (2) a description of projects as to which construction manager/general contractor method was utilized; (3) a comparison of project cost estimates with final project costs, if available; and (4) evaluation of the construction manager/general contractor method of procurement with respect to implications for project cost, use of innovative techniques, completion time, and obtaining maximum value. The final report must also include recommendations as to continued use of the program and desired modifications to the program, and recommended legislation to continue, discontinue, or modify the program.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment and expires following the acceptance of ten construction manager/general contractor contracts.

Sec. 72. **REVISOR'S INSTRUCTION.**

The revisor of statutes shall renumber the provisions of Minnesota Statutes listed in column A to the references listed in column B. The revisor shall also make necessary cross-reference changes in Minnesota Statutes consistent with the renumbering.

55.31	Column A	Column B
55.32	169.011, subd. 83	168B.011, subd. 12a
55.33	<u>169.041</u>	<u>168B.035</u>
55.34	169.64, subd. 5	168B.16

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56.1	169.86, subd. 8	<u>168B.15</u>
56.2	<u>465.75</u>	<u>168B.14</u>
56.3	<u>514.18, subd. 1a</u>	<u>168B.045</u>
56.4	Sec. 73. REPEALER.	
56.5	Minnesota Statutes 2010, sections 169.441, s	ubdivision 5; 169.445, subdivision 2;
56.6	and 169.454, subdivision 10, are repealed.	
56.7	Sec. 74. RULES REPEALER.	
56.8	Minnesota Rules, parts 8810.9000; 8810.910	0; 8810.9200; 8810.9300; 8810.9400;
56.9	8810.9500; 8810.9600; and 8810.9700, are repealed	<u>ed.</u>
56.10	Sec. 75. EFFECTIVE DATE.	
56.11	Sections 34 and 54, subdivisions 1 to 4, are ef	ffective one year after publication in the
56.12	State Register of rules adopted under section 54, su	abdivision 5. Section 54, subdivision 5,
56.13	is effective the day following final enactment.	
56.14	Sec. 76. EFFECTIVE DATE.	
56.15	Unless otherwise specified, this act is effective	ve August 1, 2012.

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169.441 SCHOOL BUS IDENTIFICATION.

Subd. 5. **Optional markings; rules.** A school district may elect to show on the front and rear of the school buses that it owns or contracts for, a plainly visible, summary message explaining section 169.444, subdivisions 1 and 2. If the school district elects to display the message, it must conform with the rules of the commissioner of public safety. The commissioner shall adopt rules governing the size, type, design, display, and content of the summary message that may be shown.

169.445 COOPERATION WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT; INFORMATION; RULES.

Subd. 2. **Information; rules.** The commissioner shall compile information regarding violations, prosecutions, convictions or other disposition, and penalties imposed under sections 169.443 and 169.444. At the request of the commissioner, local school authorities shall provide this information. The commissioner may adopt rules governing the content and providing procedures for the school authorities to provide this information.

169.454 TYPE III VEHICLE STANDARDS.

Subd. 10. **Warning device.** A type III vehicle must contain at least three red reflectorized triangle road warning devices. Liquid burning "pot type" flares are not allowed.