

8820.3200 LOCAL ROAD RESEARCH BOARD.

Subpart 1. **Appointment.** The commissioner shall appoint a local road research board consisting of the following members:

- A. four county highway engineers, only one of whom may be from a county containing a city of the first class;
- B. two city engineers, only one of whom may be from a city of the first class;
- C. two Department of Transportation staff engineers, one of whom must be the department's state-aid engineer;
- D. one University of Minnesota representative; and
- E. one ex officio secretary, who must be the department's research coordination engineer.

Subp. 2. **Terms.** Appointments of county highway and city engineers, except for unexpired terms, are for four years. The other members shall serve at the will of the commissioner.

Subp. 3. **Operating procedure.** The board shall initially meet on call from the commissioner, at which time they shall elect a chair and establish their own procedure for the selection of research projects to be recommended to the commissioner. Final determination on research projects must be made by the commissioner, and the cost must be paid out of the state-aid research accounts provided for by law.

If the board recommends a project covering research in methods of and materials for the construction and maintenance of both the county state-aid highway system and the municipal state-aid street system, the board shall also recommend to the commissioner the proportionate share of the cost of the project to be borne by the respective county state-aid highway research account and the municipal state-aid street research account, based on the benefits to be realized by each system from such research project.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 14.389; 161.082; 161.083; 162.02; 162.09; 162.155; L 1983 c 17*

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