

Transportation Finance Conference Committee — Policy & Finance Articles

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2	D	R9	4	5	8	10	Policy difference Highways for Habitat program. Provides for creation of a Highways for Habitat program. Identifies program requirements and requires standards for roadside vegetation management.
3	D	R18	—	—	8	18	Senate only Deputy Josh Owen Memorial Overpass. Designates the newly-constructed overpass at the junction of TH 29 and TH 55 near Glenwood in Pope County as the Deputy Josh Owen Memorial Overpass.
4	D	R21, R55	4	13-15, 37	8	20-22, 50	Identical Electric transmission lines in right-of-way. Amends regulation of electric transmission lines in highway right-of-way.
5	D	R23	4	16	3	6	Policy difference Minnesota blackout special plates. Establishes Minnesota blackout special license plates, including to set requirements and a \$30 annual contribution.
6	D	R23	—	—	8	23	Senate only Research activities (U of MN CTS). Modifies the cap on the amount the commissioner of transportation may spend on research by the University of Minnesota’s Center for Transportation Studies.
7	D	R24	—	—	8	24	Senate only Maximum dealer documentation fees. Increases the maximum documentary fees charged by dealers on motor vehicle sales and leases.
8	D	R32, R95	—	—	8	32, 70(b)	Senate only Weight limit exemption for towing and recovery vehicles. Centralizes and creates new requirements for towing and recovery vehicle weight limits.

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9	D	R34	—	—	8	33	Senate only Driver’s license for medical reason. Amends the statute authorizing a 15-year-old to hold a medical driver’s license to expand eligibility to 15-year olds with a disabled relative.
10	D	R41	—	—	8	37	Senate only Veteran designation. Modifies veteran eligibility and paperwork requirements for a veteran designation on license and ID cards.
11	D	R49	—	—	8	45	Senate only Operation costs for MnDOT central office building. Provides that the cost of operating and maintaining the MnDOT central office building must be split 50-50 between the trunk highway fund and the general fund.
12	D	R78	—	—	8	57	Senate only North Minneapolis Service Center. Allows the North Minneapolis Service Center to offer deputy registrar services and become a full-service provider.
13	D	R80	—	—	8	58	Senate only Ramsey County Deputy Registrar. Directs DPS to create a deputy registrar at or near the Hmong Village shopping mall in east St. Paul notwithstanding the Rules governing office locations.
14	D	R80	—	—	8	59	Senate only Clean Transportation Standard and Sustainable Aviation Fuel Working Group. Establishes working group to develop a clean transportation standard to achieve an aggregate carbon reduction in transportation fuels used in Minnesota.

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15	D	R81	—	—	8	64	Senate only Midtown Greenway Extension Trail planning. Directs the Metropolitan Council to plan continuous and dedicated bicycle and pedestrian trails from the Midtown Greenway in Minneapolis to Allianz Field in St. Paul.
16	E	R13	5	14	4	16	Technical difference Waiver when license issued by another jurisdiction. Exempts some applicants from both a knowledge test and a road exam when the applicant already has a license (or endorsement) from another jurisdiction requiring similar testing.
17	E	R18	5	16	—	—	House only Repealer. Repeals a limitation on providing vehicle registration information over the phone.
18	H	R1	—	—	7	1	Senate only Student training. Strikes permissive language allowing schools to teach bicycle and pedestrian safety to pupils. Replaced by Article 7, section 2.
19	H	R2	—	—	7	2	Senate only Active transportation safety training. Requires public school districts to provide appropriate active transportation safety training for grades K-8. Requires MnDOT maintain materials.
20	H	R3	—	—	7	3	Senate only Cooperation among agencies and governments. Requires active transportation advisory committee to provide information on bikeway designation guidelines and MnDOT technical assistance to local governments.
21	H	R4	—	—	7	4	Senate only State bicycle routes. Requires MnDOT to consult the active transportation advisory committee when identifying state bicycle routes.
22	H	R4	—	—	7	5	Senate only Mississippi River Trail. Designates the Mississippi River Trail as a state bicycle route.

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23	H	R4	—	—	7	6	Senate only	Jim Oberstar Bikeway. Designates the Jim Oberstar Bikeway as a state bicycle route. The route begins in St. Paul and concludes at Minnesota’s boundary with Canada.
24	H	R5	—	—	7	8	Senate only	Riding rules. Institutes revised riding rules for a bicyclist on a road.
25	H	R6	—	—	7	9	Senate only	Stopping requirements. Institutes what is known as the “Idaho” stop.
26	H	R7	—	—	7	10	Senate only	Active transportation advisory committee. Requires MnDOT to establish an active transportation advisory committee.
27	H	R8	—	—	7	11	Senate only	Use of funds. requires that \$500,000 of the active transportation grants are for active transportation safety curriculum.
28	—	—	—	—	—	—	Added	Corporal Caleb L. Erickson Memorial Highway. (SF 1545 / HF 1968). Revises the route designation.

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30 Notes

31 ¹ Reference is repeated; some repealer provisions are listed separately.

32 ² Section was partially adopted or was modified.

33 Revisor Page is the starting page number in the corresponding side-by-side document.