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

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to transportation; appropriating money for certain traffic safety initiatives.

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

1.4 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; WORK ZONE SAFETY.**

1.5 \$300,000 in fiscal year 2026 is appropriated from the trunk highway fund to the  
1.6 commissioner of transportation for additions and modifications to work zone design or  
1.7 layout to reduce vehicle speeds in a trunk highway work zone. This appropriation is available  
1.8 following a determination by the commissioner that the initial work zone design or layout  
1.9 is insufficient in providing for reduced vehicle speeds.

1.10 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATIONS; SAFE ROAD ZONES.**

1.11 (a) \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 is appropriated from the trunk highway fund to the  
1.12 commissioner of transportation for safety measures in safe road zones under Minnesota  
1.13 Statutes, section 169.065, that are on the trunk highway system.

1.14 (b) \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 is appropriated from the general fund to the  
1.15 commissioner of public safety for safety measures in safe road zones under Minnesota  
1.16 Statutes, section 169.065.

1.17 Sec. 3. **APPROPRIATIONS; RURAL HIGH-RISK ROADS.**

1.18 (a) \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 is appropriated from the trunk highway fund to the  
1.19 commissioner of transportation for roadway design and related improvements on rural  
1.20 high-risk roads that improve safety, reduce speeds, and eliminate intersection interactions.

2.1 The commissioner must identify roads based on crash information and in consultation with  
2.2 local traffic safety partners and the Advisory Council on Traffic Safety under Minnesota  
2.3 Statutes, section 4.076. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2029.

2.4 (b) \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 is appropriated from the general fund to the  
2.5 commissioner of public safety for grants to law enforcement agencies to undertake enhanced  
2.6 safety enforcement efforts on rural high-risk roads, including enforcement related to speed,  
2.7 seat belt use, driver distraction, and impaired driving. The commissioner must identify  
2.8 enforcement locations based on crash information and consultation with local traffic safety  
2.9 partners and the Advisory Council on Traffic Safety under Minnesota Statutes, section  
2.10 4.076.

2.11 **Sec. 4. APPROPRIATION; ADVISORY COUNCIL ON TRAFFIC SAFETY.**

2.12 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 are appropriated from  
2.13 the general fund to the commissioner of public safety for traffic safety activities of the  
2.14 Advisory Council on Traffic Safety under Minnesota Statutes, section 4.076, including but  
2.15 not limited to traffic safety projects and nonfederal matches to federal grants.

2.16 **Sec. 5. APPROPRIATION; LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAFFIC SAFETY TRAINING.**

2.17 \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner  
2.18 of public safety for grants to local units of government to provide training to peace officers  
2.19 on traffic safety enforcement.

2.20 **Sec. 6. APPROPRIATION; SAFE AND SOBER RIDES HOME.**

2.21 \$500,000 in fiscal year 2026 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner  
2.22 of public safety for grants to local units of government for safe ride programs that provide  
2.23 safe transportation options for patrons of hospitality and entertainment businesses within a  
2.24 community.