

Subject Local policies for homeless encampments

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Overview

This bill would require local governments to create policies for the removal of homeless encampments, including notice period requirements and protocols for the treatment of personal property. This bill would also allow the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) to contract with local governments for the removal of homeless encampments on MnDOT land, but the bill would require the agreements to meet the requirements for local policies and would also impose notice requirements and other requirements on these agreements.

Summary

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1	Agreements relating to property removed from state-owned land.
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Allows MnDOT to contract with a city or county with a population over 50,000 for the local government to manage removal of homeless encampments on property under MnDOT jurisdiction; requires 48-hour notice before removal and compliance with local government policies regarding homeless encampments; requires these agreements to include provisions for notice, protocols for not removing personal property in severe weather, provisions for storing personal property in the encampment, and provisions for when the local government will provide impact reduction services like trash collection.

2	Local government policies regarding homeless encampments.
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Subd. 1. Local policies regarding homeless encampments. Requires cities and counties to develop and to implement a policy regarding homeless encampments.

Subd. 2. Policy requirements. Requires local policies to include 72-hour notice before removing homeless encampments except during emergencies; requires notice to local agencies providing services to homeless persons whenever 72-hour notice is posted; requires personal property, except for trash and

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contraband, to be stored after encampment removal; prohibits citations for unlawful camping or loitering in the two hours before and after notice is posted.

Subd. 3. Preemption by more protective local policies. Allows preemption of the policy requirements by local policies that are more protective of homeless individuals.



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