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This legislation prohibits application of window tinting or sale of a tinted window that does not meet window tinting requirements under current law. It makes violation of the new provision a misdemeanor penalty (which can carry a sentence of up to 90 days and a fine of up to \$1,000).

Under current law, window tinting is restricted in various ways, including: a prohibition on tinting the windshield; a prohibition on mirrored or highly reflective tinting applications; a restriction on the amount of reduction in light transmittance due to tinting; and required labeling. There are exceptions from the tinting restrictions for original manufacturer equipment installed following federal safety standards, medical needs, and some windows on certain vehicles. Minn. Stat. § 169.71, subd. 4. Motor vehicle dealers are currently prohibited from selling vehicles with tinting that does not meet the window tinting restrictions. Minn. Stat. § 168.27, subd. 30.