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- Interstate Highway Emergency Response Reimbursement Pilot Program. Adds § 144E.51.

 Requires the emergency medical services regulator board (EMSRB) to establish and administer a pilot program to reimburse an ambulance service for unrecovered costs of attending to persons on interstate highways. Provides that an ambulance service is eligible for the pilot if it is a volunteer ambulance service in Washington County with an interstate that runs through its primary service area. Requires the eligible ambulance service to submit certain documentation to request reimbursement under this pilot.
- Interstate Highway Emergency Response Reimbursement Pilot; Report. Requires a report to the legislature by the commissioner of revenue, in consultation with EMSRB and the Minnesota Ambulance Association. The report must consider impediments to collection on claims for services provided by ambulances to nonresident patients and make recommendations as to options for addressing collection issues in the future.
- **Appropriation.** Provides a blank appropriation from the general fund to the EMSRB for the pilot program created in section 1.
- **Effective date.** Provides that sections 1 to 3 are effective July 1, 2012.