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### Overview

Shifts long-range transportation policy planning from the Metropolitan Council to the Department of Transportation.

#### Section

- 1 Metropolitan area long-range transportation policy plan (MnDOT).** Direct the commissioner of transportation to adopt a long-range transportation policy plan for the metropolitan area and periodically update and revise it as provided in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 473. Effective the day after enactment.
- 2 Development guide (Metropolitan Council).** Provides that the council's development guide chapter and policies relating to transportation are those adopted by the commissioner of transportation. Effective the day after enactment.
- 3 Policy plans for metropolitan agencies.** Provides that the transportation policy plan is developed and adopted by the commissioner of transportation.  
  
In subdivision 4, designates the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) as the MPO and eliminates the Metropolitan Council's role, except as a member of the TAB.  
  
Effective the day after enactment.
- 4 Transportation system performance evaluation.** Conforming amendment.
- 5 Controlled access; approval.** Provides for MnDOT instead of the council to approve controlled access highway projects in the metropolitan area. Effective the day after enactment.

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- 6**        **Loans for acquisition (Right of way acquisition loan (RALF) program).** Provides for the council to make loans as approved by the commissioner of transportation. Effective the day after enactment.
- 7**        **Exclusive lanes; multipassenger transit.** Permits the commissioner of transportation instead of the council to require freeways constructed in the metropolitan area to have exclusive lanes for buses. Effective the day after enactment.
- 8**        **Airports.** Direct the commissioner of transportation to review the Metropolitan Airports Commission's capital projects instead of the council. Effective the day after enactment.
- 9**        **Definitions.** Conforming amendment. Effective the day after enactment.
- 10**       **Transportation accessibility advisory committee.** Conforming amendment. Effective the day after enactment.