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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Metropolitan Affairs

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to traffic regulations; prohibiting local authorities from enforcing traffic  
1.3 regulations with administrative penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006,  
1.4 section 169.022.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 169.022, is amended to read:

1.7 **169.022 UNIFORM APPLICATION.**

1.8 (a) The provisions of this chapter shall be applicable and uniform throughout this  
1.9 state and in all political subdivisions and municipalities therein, and no local authority  
1.10 shall enact or enforce any rule or regulation in conflict with the provisions of this chapter  
1.11 unless expressly authorized herein. Local authorities may adopt traffic regulations ~~which~~  
1.12 that are not in conflict with the provisions of this chapter; provided, that when any local  
1.13 ordinance regulating traffic covers the same subject for which a penalty is provided for  
1.14 in this chapter, then the penalty provided for violation of said local ordinance shall be  
1.15 identical with the penalty provided for in this chapter for the same offense.

1.16 (b) Except as otherwise specifically provided by state law and notwithstanding any  
1.17 contrary charter provision or ordinance, no statutory or home rule charter city, county, or  
1.18 town may impose administrative penalties to enforce provisions of this chapter.

1.19 Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

1.20 Section 1 is effective August 1, 2007, and applies to offenses committed on or  
1.21 after that date.