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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Policy and Oversight

February 26, 2009

Committee Recommendation and Adoption of Report:

To Pass and re-referred to the Transportation and Transit Policy and Oversight Division

March 16, 2009

Committee Recommendation and Adoption of Report:

To Pass

Read Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; school buses; providing for postcrash procedures for
1.3 school bus in an accident; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 169.4511,
1.4 subdivision 1.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 169.4511, subdivision 1, is amended to
1.7 read:

1.8 Subdivision 1. **Postcrash inspection.** (a) A peace officer responding to an accident
1.9 involving a school bus or Head Start bus must immediately notify the State Patrol if the
1.10 accident results in ~~death or serious personal injury on the school bus, or property damage~~
1.11 ~~to the school bus of an apparent extent of more than \$4,400;~~

1.12 (1) a fatality;

1.13 (2) bodily injury to a person who, as a result of the injury, immediately receives
1.14 medical treatment away from the scene of the accident; or

1.15 (3) one or more motor vehicles incurring disabling damage as a result of the
1.16 accident, requiring a motor vehicle to be transported away from the scene by tow truck or
1.17 other motor vehicle.

1.18 (b) No person shall drive or knowingly permit or cause to be driven, for the purpose
1.19 of transporting students, any school bus or Head Start bus after such an accident unless:

1.20 (1) the vehicle has been inspected by the Minnesota State Patrol and the State Patrol
1.21 has determined that the vehicle may safely be operated; or

1.22 (2) a waiver has been granted under subdivision 2.

1.23 ~~(b)~~ (c) A violation of this section is a misdemeanor.