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H. F. No. 646

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to transportation; governing deployment of certain buses in the
1.3 seven-county metropolitan area based on vehicle emissions; amending Minnesota
1.4 Statutes 2020, section 473.391, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 473.391, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.7 to read:

1.8 Subd. 3. Air quality, emissions, and bus deployment. (a) The council must coordinate
1.9 with the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency to identify locales in the metropolitan
1.10 area with poor air quality. The analysis may use modeling based on air quality monitoring
1.11 data and must use the highest level of detail available. The council must categorize each
1.12 bus in its fleet based on estimated or measured air quality impacts from vehicle emissions.

1.13 (b) For regular route bus service, excluding arterial or highway bus rapid transit, the
1.14 council must deploy buses with the lowest emissions on routes that serve locales with poor
1.15 air quality.

1.16 (c) Analysis under this subdivision must be revised at least once every three years.

1.17 EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION. This section is effective the day following
1.18 final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey,
1.19 Scott, and Washington.