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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Transportation Finance and Policy

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to transit; requiring certain training for transit operators on assisting  
1.3 passengers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 473.375, by adding a  
1.4 subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 473.375, is amended by adding a subdivision  
1.7 to read:

1.8 Subd. 9b. Safe accessibility training. (a) The council must ensure that vehicle operators  
1.9 who provide regular route bus service receive training on assisting persons with disabilities  
1.10 and mobility limitations to enter and leave the vehicle. The training must cover assistance  
1.11 in circumstances where regular access to or from the vehicle is unsafe due to snow, ice, or  
1.12 other obstructions.

1.13 (b) The council must consult with the Transportation Accessibility Advisory Committee  
1.14 on the training.

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