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Introduction and first reading
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OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to transportation; amending requirements governing certain advertisements,
1.3 public art, and signs within road rights-of-way; defining terms; amending Minnesota
1.4 Statutes 2020, sections 160.27, subdivision 7, by adding a subdivision; 169.011,
1.5 by adding a subdivision.

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

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 160.27, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

1.8 Subd. 7. ~~Bicycle racks and bicycle storage~~ Micromobility facilities. (a) For purposes
1.9 of this subdivision, "micromobility facility" means an installation for micromobility devices
1.10 as defined in section 169.011, subdivision 40b, whether for personal use or shared mobility
1.11 services, that provides one or more of the following: a rack or docking station, a battery
1.12 charging or swapping station, or a storage facility.

1.13 (b) ~~In cities of the first class a statutory or home rule charter city,~~ advertisements, public
1.14 art, and informational signs may be placed and maintained on ~~bicycle racks and bicycle~~
1.15 ~~storage facilities, and on any enclosure around them,~~ a micromobility facility if:

1.16 (1) a road authority has issued a permit to the city authorizing the ~~bicycle racks and~~
1.17 ~~storage facilities~~ micromobility facility to be placed within the right-of-way of a public
1.18 highway;

1.19 (2) the city has recommended and the road authority has authorized in the permit the
1.20 placement of advertisements, public art, and informational signs on the ~~bicycle racks and~~
1.21 ~~bicycle storage facilities,~~ micromobility facility; and

1.22 (3) the placement does not create an unsafe situation.

2.1 (c) Advertisements, public art, and information signs authorized under this subdivision
2.2 are subject to the terms and conditions imposed by the road authority authorizing their
2.3 placement.

2.4 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 160.27, is amended by adding a subdivision to
2.5 read:

2.6 Subd. 7a. **Shared electric vehicle facilities.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision, "shared
2.7 electric vehicle facility" means an installation for one or more parking spaces that is:

2.8 (1) established as part of a shared mobility service;

2.9 (2) identified for use by all-electric vehicles as defined in section 169.011, subdivision
2.10 1a; and

2.11 (3) equipped to recharge an all-electric vehicle, recharge an all-electric vehicle energy
2.12 storage device, or provide for swapping an all-electric vehicle battery.

2.13 (b) In a statutory or home rule charter city, advertisements, public art, and informational
2.14 signs may be placed and maintained on a shared electric vehicle facility if:

2.15 (1) a road authority has issued a permit to the city authorizing the shared electric vehicle
2.16 facility to be placed within the right-of-way of a public highway;

2.17 (2) the city has recommended and the road authority has authorized in the permit the
2.18 placement of advertisements, public art, and informational signs on the shared electric
2.19 vehicle facility; and

2.20 (3) the placement does not create an unsafe situation.

2.21 (c) Advertisements, public art, and information signs authorized under this subdivision
2.22 are subject to the terms and conditions imposed by the road authority authorizing their
2.23 placement.

2.24 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 169.011, is amended by adding a subdivision to
2.25 read:

2.26 Subd. 40b. **Micromobility device.** (a) "Micromobility device" means a vehicle that:

2.27 (1) is capable of: (i) being propelled solely by human power; (ii) being powered solely
2.28 by an electric motor drawing current from rechargeable storage batteries, fuel cells, or other
2.29 portable sources of electrical current; or (iii) both (i) and (ii);

- 3.1 (2) when solely powered by an electric motor, is not capable of propelling the vehicle
3.2 at a speed greater than 30 miles per hour on a paved level surface; and
- 3.3 (3) has an unloaded weight of up to 500 pounds.
- 3.4 (b) Micromobility device includes a bicycle, a motorized foot scooter, and an electric
3.5 personal assistive mobility device. Micromobility device includes a motorized bicycle that
3.6 meets the requirements under paragraph (a).