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To Pass and re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means
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Committee Recommendation and Adoption of Report:
To Pass
Read Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; modifying allocation of certain state fines and
1.3 forfeitures; amending Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 299D.03,
1.4 subdivision 5.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 299D.03, subdivision 5,
1.7 is amended to read:

1.8 Subd. 5. Traffic fines and forfeited bail money. (a) All fines and forfeited bail
1.9 money collected from persons apprehended or arrested by officers of the State Patrol
1.10 shall be transmitted by the person or officer collecting the fines, forfeited bail money,
1.11 or installments thereof, on or before the tenth day after the last day of the month in
1.12 which these moneys were collected, to the commissioner of management and budget.
1.13 Except where a different disposition is required in this subdivision or section 387.213, or
1.14 otherwise provided by law, three-eighths of these receipts must be deposited in the state
1.15 treasury and credited to the state general fund. The other five-eighths of these receipts
1.16 must be deposited in the state treasury and credited as follows: (1) the first \$600,000
1.17 \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year must be credited to the Minnesota grade crossing safety
1.18 account in the special revenue fund, and (2) remaining receipts must be credited to the state
1.19 trunk highway fund. If, however, the violation occurs within a municipality and the city
1.20 attorney prosecutes the offense, and a plea of not guilty is entered, one-third of the receipts
1.21 shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the state general fund, one-third of
1.22 the receipts shall be paid to the municipality prosecuting the offense, and one-third shall be
1.23 deposited in the state treasury and credited to the Minnesota grade crossing safety account
1.24 or the state trunk highway fund as provided in this paragraph. When section 387.213 also

2.1 is applicable to the fine, section 387.213 shall be applied before this paragraph is applied.
2.2 All costs of participation in a nationwide police communication system chargeable to the
2.3 state of Minnesota shall be paid from appropriations for that purpose.

2.4 (b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, all fines and forfeited bail money
2.5 from violations of statutes governing the maximum weight of motor vehicles, collected
2.6 from persons apprehended or arrested by employees of the state of Minnesota, by means
2.7 of stationary or portable scales operated by these employees, shall be transmitted by the
2.8 person or officer collecting the fines or forfeited bail money, on or before the tenth day
2.9 after the last day of the month in which the collections were made, to the commissioner
2.10 of management and budget. Five-eighths of these receipts shall be deposited in the state
2.11 treasury and credited to the state highway user tax distribution fund. Three-eighths of
2.12 these receipts shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the state general fund.