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02/18/2019	419	Introduction and first reading Referred to Transportation Finance and Policy
02/28/2019	577	Comm report: To pass and re-referred to Judiciary and Public Safety Finance and Policy
03/13/2019	847	Comm report: To pass
	853	Second reading
04/01/2019	1524	Special Order
	1524	Third reading Passed
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	3048	Secretary of State Chapter 10 04/12/2019 Effective date 08/01/19

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to transportation; subjecting light rail transit operators to the reckless or
- 1.3 careless driving law; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 169.13,
- 1.4 subdivisions 1, 2.
- 1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 169.13, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
- 1.7 Subdivision 1. **Reckless driving.** (a) A person who drives a motor vehicle or light rail
- 1.8 transit vehicle while aware of and consciously disregarding a substantial and unjustifiable
- 1.9 risk that the driving may result in harm to another or another's property is guilty of reckless
- 1.10 driving. The risk must be of such a nature and degree that disregard of it constitutes a
- 1.11 significant deviation from the standard of conduct that a reasonable person would observe
- 1.12 in the situation.
- 1.13 (b) A person shall not race any vehicle upon any street or highway of this state. Any
- 1.14 person who willfully compares or contests relative speeds by operating one or more vehicles
- 1.15 is guilty of racing, which constitutes reckless driving, whether or not the speed contested
- 1.16 or compared is in excess of the maximum speed prescribed by law.
- 1.17 (c) A person who violates paragraph (a) or (b) is guilty of a misdemeanor. A person who
- 1.18 violates paragraph (a) or (b) and causes great bodily harm or death to another is guilty of a
- 1.19 gross misdemeanor.
- 1.20 (d) For purposes of this section, "great bodily harm" has the meaning given in section
- 1.21 609.02, subdivision 8.

2.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 169.13, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

2.2 Subd. 2. **Careless driving.** (a) Any person who operates or halts any vehicle upon any
2.3 street or highway carelessly or heedlessly in disregard of the rights of others, or in a manner
2.4 that endangers or is likely to endanger any property or any person, including the driver or
2.5 passengers of the vehicle, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

2.6 (b) Any person who operates or halts a light rail transit vehicle carelessly or heedlessly
2.7 in disregard of the rights of others, or in a manner that endangers or is likely to endanger
2.8 any property or any person, including the operator or passengers on the light rail transit
2.9 vehicle, is guilty of a misdemeanor.