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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 438

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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; authorizing a county to establish speed limits under
1.3 certain circumstances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.14,
1.4 subdivision 5h.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.14, subdivision 5h, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 5h. Speed limits on ~~city streets~~ certain local roads. (a) A city may establish
1.8 speed limits for city streets under the city's jurisdiction other than the limits provided in
1.9 subdivision 2 without conducting an engineering and traffic investigation. The authority
1.10 under this subdivision paragraph does not apply to town roads, county highways, or trunk
1.11 highways in the city.

1.12 (b) A county may establish speed limits for county highways under the county's
1.13 jurisdiction other than the limits provided in subdivision 2 without conducting an engineering
1.14 and traffic investigation. The authority under this paragraph does not apply to city streets,
1.15 town roads, or trunk highways in the county.

1.16 (c) A city political subdivision that establishes speed limits pursuant to this ~~section~~
1.17 subdivision must implement speed limit changes in a consistent and understandable manner.
1.18 The city political subdivision must erect appropriate signs to display the speed limit. A city
1.19 political subdivision that uses the authority under this subdivision must develop procedures
1.20 to set speed limits based on the ~~city's~~ political subdivision's safety, engineering, and traffic
1.21 analysis. At a minimum, the safety, engineering, and traffic analysis must consider national
1.22 urban speed limit guidance and studies; and local traffic crashes, ~~and~~ The political

- 2.1 subdivision must implement methods to effectively communicate the speed limit change to
- 2.2 the public.