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1.1 A bill for an act
 1.2 relating to public safety; traffic regulations; prohibiting seat belt violations from
 1.3 being a primary offense; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 169.686,
 1.4 subdivision 1.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 169.686, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Seat belt requirement.** (a) Except as provided in section 169.685, a
 1.8 properly adjusted and fastened seat belt, including both the shoulder and lap belt when the
 1.9 vehicle is so equipped, shall be worn by the driver and passengers of a passenger vehicle,
 1.10 commercial motor vehicle, type III vehicle, and type III Head Start vehicle.

1.11 (b) A person who is 15 years of age or older and who violates paragraph (a) is subject
 1.12 to a fine of \$25. The driver of the vehicle in which a violation occurs is subject to a \$25
 1.13 fine for each violation of paragraph (a) by the driver or by a passenger under the age of 15,
 1.14 but the court may not impose more than one surcharge under section 357.021, subdivision
 1.15 6, on the driver. A peace officer may not issue a citation for a violation of this section
 1.16 unless the officer lawfully stopped or detained the driver of the motor vehicle for a moving
 1.17 violation other than a violation involving motor vehicle equipment. The Department of
 1.18 Public Safety shall not record a violation of this subdivision on a person's driving record.

1.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2013, and applies to offenses
 1.20 committed on or after that date.