

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to transportation; requiring commissioner of transportation to make a
1.3 decision on alternative route for State Highway 53.

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

1.5 Section 1. **ALTERNATIVE ROUTE ELECTION FOR HIGHWAY 53.**

1.6 By March 15, 2015, the commissioner of transportation, in consultation with the
1.7 commissioner of natural resources and Cleveland Cliffs Mining Company or its successor,
1.8 shall designate a route for that portion of marked Trunk Highway 53 in St. Louis County
1.9 near the city of Virginia by electing either the route designated as "Alt. M-1" or the route
1.10 designated as "Alt. M-2." Construction must begin no later than June 1, 2015.