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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-THIRD SESSION

H. F. No. **1597**

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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 motor vehicles; requiring school buses to be equipped with stop-signal

1.3 arm extensions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.442, subdivision

1.4 1.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.442, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Signals required.** (a) A type A, B, C, or D school bus must be equipped

1.8 with at least one stop-signal arm, prewarning flashing amber signals, and flashing red signals.

1.9 (b) Notwithstanding section 169.80, subdivision 2, a new type A, B, C, or D school bus

1.10 purchased on or after August 1, 2025, must be equipped with a stop-signal arm extension

1.11 that extends a minimum of six feet from the bus.

1.12 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2025.