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2.1 is a minor, the passenger's parent or guardian, has notified the school district in writing
2.2 that the passenger does not intend to wear the lap belt or lap and shoulder belt.

2.3 (e) In an action for personal injury or wrongful death against a school district, a
2.4 school bus operator under contract with a school district, or any agent or employee of a
2.5 school district or operator, or against a volunteer, no such person or entity shall be held
2.6 liable solely because the injured party was not wearing a safety belt; provided, however,
2.7 that nothing contained herein shall be construed to grant immunity from liability for
2.8 failure to:

2.9 (1) maintain in operating order any equipment required by statute, rule, or school
2.10 district policy; or

2.11 (2) comply with an applicable statute, rule, or school district policy.

2.12 (f) In an action for personal injury or wrongful death, a school district, a school bus
2.13 contract operator, any agent or employee of a school district or operator, or a volunteer
2.14 is not liable for failing to assist any child with the adjustment, fastening, unfastening, or
2.15 other use of the lap belt or lap and shoulder belt.

2.16 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 169.685, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

2.17 Subdivision 1. **Requirement; exemptions.** ~~After January 1, 1964,~~ All new
2.18 motor vehicles, not exempt from Minnesota license fees, other than a bus, ~~school bus,~~
2.19 motorcycle, motorized bicycle, farm tractor, road tractor, and truck, sold or offered for
2.20 sale or registered in Minnesota shall be equipped to permit the installation of seat belts
2.21 in the front seat thereof.