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NINETY-THIRD SESSION**

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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Health and Human Services

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1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to health; expanding third-party transport of medical cannabis; amending  
1.3 Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 152.29, subdivision 3a.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 152.29, subdivision 3a, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 3a. **Transportation of medical cannabis; transport staffing.** (a) A medical  
1.7 cannabis manufacturer may staff a transport motor vehicle with only one employee if the  
1.8 medical cannabis manufacturer is transporting medical cannabis to either a certified  
1.9 laboratory for the purpose of testing or a facility for the purpose of disposal. If the medical  
1.10 cannabis manufacturer is transporting medical cannabis for any other purpose or destination,  
1.11 the transport motor vehicle must be staffed with a minimum of two employees as required  
1.12 by rules adopted by the commissioner.

1.13 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), a medical cannabis manufacturer that is only  
1.14 transporting hemp for any purpose may staff the transport motor vehicle with only one  
1.15 employee.

1.16 (c) A medical cannabis manufacturer may contract with a third party for armored car  
1.17 services for deliveries of medical cannabis from its production facility to distribution  
1.18 facilities. A medical cannabis manufacturer that contracts for armored car services remains  
1.19 responsible for the transportation manifest and inventory tracking requirements in rules  
1.20 adopted by the commissioner.

1.21 (d) Department of Health staff may transport medical cannabis for the purposes of  
1.22 delivering medical cannabis and other samples to a laboratory for testing under rules adopted

2.1 by the commissioner and in cases of special investigations when the commissioner has  
2.2 determined there is a potential threat to public health.

2.3 (e) The transport motor vehicle must be staffed with a minimum of two Department of  
2.4 Health employees. The employees must carry with them their Department of Health  
2.5 identification card and a transport manifest.