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## RE: Department of Transportation's Submittal to Legislature Under Minnesota Statutes, Section 14.116(a)

#### Dear Legislators:

This letter provides the annual submittal required by Minnesota Statutes, section 14.116(a), which states:

By January 15 each year, each agency must submit its rulemaking docket maintained under section 14.366, and the official rulemaking record required under section 14.365 for any rule adopted during the preceding calendar year, to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative policy and budget committees with jurisdiction over the subject matter of the proposed rule.

## **Rulemaking Docket**

A copy of the current rulemaking docket is provided with this letter. The docket can also be found at: <a href="https://www.dot.state.mn.us/rules/rulemaking-docket.html">https://www.dot.state.mn.us/rules/rulemaking-docket.html</a>.

### **Rules Adopted in 2024**

The Department completed one rulemaking in 2024. The Department's Office of State Aid updated rules relating to bridge rehabilitation, construction, and reconstruction, Minnesota Rules Chapter 8810. Amendments to the rules addressed changes to Minnesota Statutes § 174.50, subdivision 7, authorizing political subdivisions to use grants to rehabilitate bridges, including to pay the costs of acquiring and rehabilitating and reconstructing historic bridges. The statute previously only authorized the use of grants for construction or reconstruction of bridges. The amendments defined the term "bridge rehabilitation," added references to rehabilitation throughout the rules to reflect the statute change, and made minor, clerical edits.

All agency rulemaking documents can be found on the Revisor's website at <a href="https://www.revisor.mn.gov/rules/status">https://www.revisor.mn.gov/rules/status</a>.

Please feel free to contact me at (651) 366-4029 if you have any questions or would like paper copies of any MnDOT rulemaking documents.

Yours very truly,

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# **Rulemaking Docket**

In accordance with <u>Minnesota Statutes</u>, <u>Section 14.366</u>, MnDOT is required to maintain this public rulemaking docket, which lists all pending rulemaking proceedings.

# **Pending Rulemakings**

## **Aeronautics, Chapter 8800**

### Airport Zoning

- MnDOT contact: Rylan Juran, MnDOT Office of Aeronautics, 395 John Ireland Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55155. Rylan.Juran@state.mn.us, 651-234-7190.
- **Revisor No.:** R-04655
- Current Status / Timetable: MnDOT published a Dual Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules in the December 30, 2024, State Register.
- Published Notices (SR cite):
  - o Request for Comments, 46 SR 566 (10/25/2021)
  - Dual Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules, 49 SR 728 (12/30/2024)
- Comment Period / Inspection Location & Time: Comments and requests for a hearing may be submitted to the Department until 4:30 PM on January 29, 2025.
- Hearing Information (Location, Requests for Public Hearing & Inspection): If the Department receives
  25 or more requests for a public hearing, one will be held via WebEx on February 25, 2025. The Dual
  Notice, proposed language, and SONAR may be viewed on the Department's website at
  www.dot.mn.gov/rules/airport-zoning.html.

Date of Rule Adoption: TBD
 Date Filed with SOS: TBD
 Effective Date of Rule: TBD

#### Housekeeping Updates

- MnDOT contact: Rylan Juran, MnDOT Office of Aeronautics, 395 John Ireland Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55155. Rylan.Juran@state.mn.us, 651-234-7190.
- Revisor No.: R-04654
- Current Status / Timetable: After MnDOT completes the airport zoning rulemaking, the Aeronautics
  Office will start a new rulemaking to make housekeeping amendments to the remainder of Chapter
  8800.
- Comment Period / Inspection Location & Time: MnDOT has not formally opened a comment period on these rules.

Hearing Information (Location, Requests for Public Hearing & Inspection): N/A

Date of Rule Adoption: TBD
 Date Filed with SOS: TBD
 Effective Date of Rule: TBD

## Limousine Service, Permit Requirements; Chapter 8880

- MnDOT contact: Laura Roads, 395 John Ireland Blvd., MS 420, St. Paul, MN 55155.
   Laura.Roads@state.mn.us, 651-366-3647.
- Revisor No.: R-04594
- Current Status / Timetable: MnDOT published a Request for Comments and solicited input from
  interested stakeholders about draft amendments. MnDOT plans to publish a Notice of Intent to Adopt
  Rules early in calendar year 2025.
- Published Notices (SR cite):
  - o Request for Comments, 44 SR 1479 (06/08/2020)
- Comment Period / Inspection Location & Time: Comment period formally opened when the Request for Comments was published and will remain open until further notice. A new comment period will begin upon publication of the Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules.
- Hearing Information (Location, Requests for Public Hearing & Inspection): N/A
- Date of Rule Adoption: TBD
   Date Filed with SOS: TBD
   Effective Date of Rule: TBD

## **Recently Completed Rulemakings**

### Bridge Rehabilitation, Construction, and Reconstruction; Chapter 8810

- MnDOT contact: Mark Vizecky, 395 John Ireland Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55155. mark.vizecky@state.mn.us, 651-366-3839.
- Revisor No.: R-04830
- Current Status / Timetable: The adopted rules were effective September 16, 2024.
- Published Notices (SR cite):
  - o Request for Comments, 48 SR 301 (09/18/2023)
  - Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules, 48 SR 955 (04/15/2024)
  - Notice of Adoption, 49 SR 279 (09/09/2024)
- Comment Period / Inspection Location & Time: A 30-day comment period began on April 15, 2024, and ended on May 15, 2024.
- **Hearing Information (Location, Requests for Public Hearing & Inspection):** No hearing was held because the Department did not receive 25 or more requests for a hearing.
- Date of Rule Adoption: July 23, 2024
- Date Filed with SOS: August 23, 2024
- Effective Date of Rule: September 16, 2024