



MINNESOTA SAFETY COUNCIL

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The Facts: Work Zone Safety Pilot Program

We need to pass Work Zone Safety Pilot Program bill. . .

- In Minnesota, 46 people have died, and more than 4,263 people have been injured in work zone traffic crashes in a five-year period (2015-2019, Minnesota Department of Public Safety).
- Across the Nation,
 - Every 5 ½ minutes, a work zone crash occurs.
 - Every day, 70 work zone related injuries.
 - Every week, 12 work zone related fatalities.

What does this bill do?

- Directs the Commissioners of the Minnesota Department of Transportation and the Department of Public Safety to create a plan to test automated speed enforcement in construction zones.
- Requires the plan to:
 - Identify legal and statutory requirements
 - Identify resource barriers
 - Identify how the public will be notified
 - Determine fine and penalty structures
- Requires a report back to legislature by February 2021.
- Directs the commissioners to implement any work zone speed control measures identified in the planning process that can be put into place with current authorities and resources.
- Requires an evaluation of effectiveness of automated enforcement and other speed control measures.