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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Transportation Finance Division

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to traffic regulations; amending requirements for a person operating  
1.3 a bicycle to stop at a stop sign or traffic-control signal; amending Minnesota  
1.4 Statutes 2006, section 169.222, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 169.222, is amended by adding a  
1.7 subdivision to read:

1.8 Subd. 12. **Bicycle stopping requirements.** (a) For purposes of this section, "in the  
1.9 vicinity" means located in an intersection or approaching an intersection so closely as to  
1.10 constitute an immediate hazard during the time a person operating a bicycle would be  
1.11 moving within the intersection.

1.12 (b) A person operating a bicycle who approaches a stop sign or traffic-control signal  
1.13 with a steady red indication, including a circular red signal or red arrow signal, shall slow  
1.14 to a reasonable speed that allows for stopping promptly. If a vehicle is in the vicinity, the  
1.15 person operating a bicycle shall stop before entering the intersection, and otherwise:

1.16 (1) if the traffic-control device is a stop sign, notwithstanding subdivision 1  
1.17 and section 169.06, subdivision 4, the person may make a turn or proceed through the  
1.18 intersection without stopping; and

1.19 (2) if the traffic-control device is a traffic-control signal, notwithstanding subdivision  
1.20 1 and section 169.06, subdivision 5:

1.21 (i) the person may make a right-hand turn, or a left-hand turn onto a one-way  
1.22 roadway, without stopping; and

1.23 (ii) the person may proceed through the intersection after stopping but before  
1.24 traffic-control signal indication changes to green, if no vehicle is in the vicinity.

- 2.1 (c) Nothing in this section alters the right-of-way requirements under section 169.20.
- 2.2 The provisions under this section do not apply when traffic is controlled by a traffic or
- 2.3 peace officer.