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SALES TAX Motor Vehicle Leases Dedication

April 20, 2006

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Costs/Savings	Χ	

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	Fund Impact					
	F.Y. 2006	F.Y. 2007	F.Y. 2008	F.Y. 2009		
	(000's)					
General Fund	\$0	\$0	(\$25,060)	(\$32,210)		
Highway User Tax Distribution Fund	\$0	\$0	\$14,920	\$19,330		
Metropolitan Area Transit Fund	\$0	\$0	\$9,560	\$12,240		
Greater Minnesota Transit Fund	\$0	\$0	\$580	\$640		

Effective July 1, 2007

EXPLANATION OF THE BILL

Current Law: Leases of motor vehicles are subject to the general sales tax. The tax from vehicle leases is deposited in the general fund the same as other sales tax receipts. Purchases of motor vehicles are subject to the separate motor vehicle sales tax. Motor vehicle sales tax receipts are divided between transportation funds and the general fund.

Proposed Law: The bill provides a phased allocation of the sales tax from vehicle leases from the general fund to transportation funds, as follows:

	<u>FY 2008</u>	<u>FY 2009</u>	<u>FY 2010</u>	FY 2011	FY 2012
Highway User Tax Distribution Fund	32.0%	44.25%	50.25%	56.25%	60.0%
Metropolitan Area Transit Fund	20.5%	28.025%	31.825%	35.625%	38.0%
Greater Minnesota Transit Fund	1.25%	1.475%	1.675%	1.875%	2.0%
General Fund	46.25%	26.25%	16.25%	6.25%	0.0%

The bill requires separate reporting of the sales tax on vehicle leases.

REVENUE ANALYSIS DETAIL

- The estimate was based on lease payment data from the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis. In state fiscal year 2002, national personal consumption expenditures on vehicle leasing were \$31.5235 billion.
- This amount was increased by 25% to account for leases by businesses.

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REVENUE ANALYSIS DETAIL (cont.)

- The adjusted amount was apportioned to Minnesota at 1.72%, the state portion of new passenger car and truck registrations in 2002.
- Amounts were allocated to the funds by the percentages specified in the bill.
- Annual growth was at the same rate as for the motor vehicle sales tax according to the February 2006 state revenue forecast.
- The estimates reflect the effect of the 2005 law change which requires sales tax on vehicle leases to be paid in full at the beginning of the lease, effective for new leases entered into after September 30, 2005.

Source: Minnesota Department of Revenue Tax Research Division http://www.taxes.state.mn.us/taxes/legal_policy

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