SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SOUTH DAKOTA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the authority vested in the South Dakota Transportation Commission by South Dakota Codified Law chapter 1-26, the commission will hold a public hearing in the Commission Room of the Becker Hansen Building at 700 East Broadway Avenue in Pierre, South Dakota, on Thursday, **October 24, 2019,** at <u>9:00 a.m.</u> (Central Time) to consider the following rules:

70:01:02:32 – Hamlin County speed zone rule. On South Dakota Highway 28, the South Dakota Department of Transportation is proposing to expand the 35 mile per hour limited speed zone through Bryant. The department is also proposing to shift the locations of the 45 mile per hour limited speed zones on the east and west ends of Bryant. These changes are proposed to enhance traffic safety and are supported by speed data collected by the department.

70:03:01:65 – Longer combination vehicle – Approved routes and access restrictions. The South Dakota Department of Transportation is proposing to expand the approved routes for longer combination vehicles. Expanding approved routes will benefit the state's agriculture industry, other producers and shippers, the trucking industry, and the entire populace of the state, who all rely heavily on trucks to move goods.

Article 70:15 – Automated vehicles. The South Dakota Department of Transportation is proposing administrative rules to allow the testing and operation of groups of individual motor vehicles traveling in a unified manner at electronically coordinated speeds and distance intervals that are closer than otherwise allowed under SDCL 32-26-40 to 32-26-42, inclusive. The purpose of these rules is to foster the safe, efficient, and cost-effective movement of agricultural and commercial goods.

At the hearing, interested persons will be given reasonable opportunity to submit amendments, data, opinions, and arguments, either orally or in writing, or both. Interested persons may mail amendments, data, opinions, and arguments to the South Dakota Department of Transportation, 700 East Broadway Avenue, Pierre, South Dakota 57501-2586 or transmit the information by e-mail to Darin.Bergquist@state.sd.us. Information submitted by mail or e-mail must reach the Department of Transportation on or before **Monday, October 21, 2019,** to be considered.

After the hearing, the commission will consider all written and oral comments it receives on the proposed rules. The commission may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Any individuals with disabilities who will require a reasonable accommodation in order to participate in the hearing should submit a request to the department's ADA Coordinator at 605-773-3540 or 1-800-877-1113 (Telecommunication Relay Services for the Deaf). Please request the accommodations no later than 2 business days prior to the meeting in order to ensure accommodations are available.

A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained without charge from:

Secretary of Transportation Becker-Hansen Building 700 East Broadway Avenue Pierre, South Dakota 57501-2586

The proposed rules are also posted on the following website:	http://open.sd.gov
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