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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 1520

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02/27/2025 The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy
By motion, recalled and re-referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; modifying various provisions governing drivers' licenses;
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 171.0605, subdivision 2, by adding
1.4 a subdivision; 171.17, subdivision 1.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 171.0605, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 2. Evidence; identity; date of birth. (a) Only the following is satisfactory evidence
1.8 of an applicant's identity and date of birth under section 171.06, subdivision 3, paragraph
1.9 (b):

1.10 (1) a driver's license or identification card that:

1.11 (i) complies with all requirements of the REAL ID Act;

1.12 (ii) is not designated as temporary or limited term; and

1.13 (iii) is current or has been expired for five years or less;

1.14 (2) a valid, unexpired United States passport, including a passport booklet or passport
1.15 card, issued by the United States Department of State;

1.16 (3) a certified copy of a birth certificate issued by a government bureau of vital statistics
1.17 or equivalent agency in the applicant's state of birth, which must bear the raised or authorized
1.18 seal of the issuing government entity;

1.19 (4) a consular report of birth abroad, certification of report of birth, or certification of
1.20 birth abroad, issued by the United States Department of State, Form FS-240, Form DS-1350,
1.21 or Form FS-545;

2.1 (5) a valid, unexpired permanent resident card issued by the United States Department
2.2 of Homeland Security or the former Immigration and Naturalization Service of the United
2.3 States Department of Justice, Form I-551. If the Form I-551 validity period has been
2.4 automatically extended by the United States Department of Homeland Security, it is deemed
2.5 unexpired, regardless of the expiration date listed;

2.6 (6) a foreign passport with an unexpired temporary I-551 stamp or a temporary I-551
2.7 printed notation on a machine-readable immigrant visa with a United States Department of
2.8 Homeland Security admission stamp within the validity period;

2.9 (7) a United States Department of Homeland Security Form I-94 or Form I-94A with a
2.10 photograph and an unexpired temporary I-551 stamp;

2.11 (8) a United States Department of State Form DS-232 with a United States Department
2.12 of Homeland Security admission stamp and validity period;

2.13 (9) a certificate of naturalization issued by the United States Department of Homeland
2.14 Security, Form N-550 or Form N-570;

2.15 (10) a certificate of citizenship issued by the United States Department of Homeland
2.16 Security, Form N-560 or Form N-561;

2.17 (11) an unexpired employment authorization document issued by the United States
2.18 Department of Homeland Security, Form I-766 or Form I-688B. If the Form I-766 validity
2.19 period has been automatically extended by the United States Department of Homeland
2.20 Security, it is deemed unexpired, regardless of the expiration date listed;

2.21 (12) a valid, unexpired passport issued by a foreign country and a valid, unexpired United
2.22 States visa accompanied by documentation of the applicant's most recent lawful admittance
2.23 into the United States; or

2.24 (13) a document as designated by the United States Department of Homeland Security
2.25 under Code of Federal Regulations, title 6, part 37.11 (c)(1)(x);

2.26 ~~(14) a copy of the applicant's certificate of marriage certified by the issuing government~~
2.27 ~~jurisdiction;~~

2.28 ~~(15) a certified copy of a court order that specifies the applicant's name change; or~~

2.29 ~~(16) a certified copy of a divorce decree or dissolution of marriage that specifies the~~
2.30 ~~applicant's name change, issued by a court.~~

2.31 (b) A document under paragraph (a) must be legible and unaltered.

3.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 171.0605, is amended by adding a subdivision
3.2 to read:

3.3 Subd. 7. Evidence of name change. The following is satisfactory evidence of an
3.4 applicant's name change:

3.5 (1) a copy of the applicant's certificate of marriage certified by the issuing government
3.6 jurisdiction;

3.7 (2) a certified copy of a court order that specifies the applicant's name change; or

3.8 (3) a certified copy of a court-issued divorce decree or dissolution of marriage that
3.9 specifies the applicant's name change.

3.10 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 171.17, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

3.11 Subdivision 1. **Offenses.** (a) The department shall immediately revoke the license of a
3.12 driver upon receiving a record of the driver's conviction of:

3.13 (1) manslaughter resulting from the operation of a motor vehicle ~~or~~ under section 609.20
3.14 or 609.205;

3.15 (2) criminal vehicular homicide or injury under section 609.2112, 609.2113, or 609.2114,
3.16 or Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 609.21;

3.17 ~~(2)~~ (3) a violation of section 169A.20 or 609.487;

3.18 ~~(3)~~ (4) a felony in the commission of which a motor vehicle was used;

3.19 ~~(4)~~ (5) failure to stop and disclose identity and render aid, as required under section
3.20 169.09, in the event of a motor vehicle accident, resulting in the death or personal injury of
3.21 another;

3.22 ~~(5)~~ (6) perjury or the making of a false affidavit or statement to the department under
3.23 any law relating to the application, ownership, or operation of a motor vehicle, including
3.24 on the certification required under section 171.05, subdivision 2, paragraph (a), clause (1),
3.25 item (ii), subitem (C), to issue an instruction permit to a homeschool student;

3.26 ~~(6)~~ (7) except as this section otherwise provides, three charges of violating within a
3.27 period of 12 months any of the provisions of chapter 169 or of the rules or municipal
3.28 ordinances enacted in conformance with chapter 169, for which the accused may be punished
3.29 upon conviction by imprisonment;

3.30 ~~(7)~~ (8) two or more violations, within five years, of the misdemeanor offense described
3.31 in section 169.444, subdivision 2, paragraph (a);

4.1 ~~(8)~~ (9) the gross misdemeanor offense described in section 169.444, subdivision 2,
4.2 paragraph (b);

4.3 ~~(9)~~ (10) an offense in another state that, if committed in this state, would be grounds for
4.4 revoking the driver's license; or

4.5 ~~(10)~~ (11) a violation of an applicable speed limit by a person driving in excess of 100
4.6 miles per hour. The person's license must be revoked for six months for a violation of this
4.7 clause, or for a longer minimum period of time applicable under section 169A.53, 169A.54,
4.8 or 171.174.

4.9 (b) The department shall immediately revoke the school bus endorsement of a driver
4.10 upon receiving a record of the driver's conviction of the misdemeanor offense described in
4.11 section 169.443, subdivision 7.