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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Transportation Finance and Policy

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; authorizing expedited issuance and waiving of certain
1.3 requirements for obtaining duplicate drivers' licenses, instruction permits,
1.4 provisional licenses, and Minnesota identification cards by victims of domestic
1.5 abuse; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, sections 171.0605, subdivision 6;
1.6 171.10, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.8 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.0605, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

1.9 Subd. 6. **Exceptions process.** (a) The commissioner may grant a variance from the
1.10 requirements of this section as provided under Minnesota Rules, part 7410.0600, or successor
1.11 rules, for evidence of:

1.12 (1) identity or date of birth under subdivision 2;

1.13 (2) lawful status under subdivision 3, only for demonstration of United States citizenship;

1.14 (3) Social Security number under subdivision 4; and

1.15 (4) residence in Minnesota under subdivision 5.

1.16 (b) The commissioner must not grant a variance for an applicant having a lawful
1.17 temporary admission period.

1.18 (c) The commissioner may grant a variance from the requirements of this section as
1.19 provided under Minnesota Rules, part 7410.0600, or successor rules, if an applicant furnishes
1.20 proof satisfactory to the department that the person is the victim of domestic abuse, as
1.21 defined in section 518B.01, subdivision 2, and, on penalty of perjury, one of the following
1.22 circumstances applies:

2.1 (1) the documents required under this section are in the possession of another who took
2.2 the documents without permission and refuses to return them; or

2.3 (2) the documents required under this section are inaccessible to the applicant without
2.4 risk of physical harm to the applicant.

2.5 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.10, is amended by adding a subdivision to
2.6 read:

2.7 Subd. 1a. **Victims of domestic abuse.** (a) An applicant shall obtain within ... days a
2.8 duplicate instruction permit, provisional license, driver's license, or Minnesota identification
2.9 card from the department upon furnishing proof satisfactory to the department that the
2.10 applicant is the victim of domestic abuse, as defined in section 518B.01, subdivision 2, and,
2.11 on penalty of perjury, one of the following circumstances applies:

2.12 (1) the original document is in the possession of another who took the document without
2.13 permission and refuses to return it; or

2.14 (2) the original document is inaccessible to the applicant without risk of physical harm
2.15 to the applicant.

2.16 (b) The fees required under section 171.06, subdivision 2, are waived for documents
2.17 obtained under this subdivision.