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SENATE STATE OF MINNESOTA NINETY-THIRD SESSION

S.F. No. 3250

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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS						
04/13/2023	4787	Introduction and first reading Referred to Transportation						
03/18/2024	12366a	Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to State and Local Government and Veterans						

1.1	A bill for an act
1.2 1.3 1.4 1.5	relating to transportation; requiring an open bidding process when deputy registrars and driver's license agents close locations; requiring a study; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 168.33, by adding a subdivision; 171.061, by adding a subdivision.
1.6	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
1.7	Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.33, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.8	to read:
1.9	Subd. 8b. Open bidding. (a) Notwithstanding any statute or rule to the contrary, if a
1.10	deputy registrar appointed under this section permanently stops offering services at the
1.11	approved office location and permanently closes the approved office location, the
1.12	commissioner must allow an open bidding process for the appointment of a replacement
1.13	deputy registrar. A replacement deputy registrar appointed by the commissioner under this
1.14	section may continue to offer services at the approved office location.
1.15	(b) The commissioner must not give any preference to any partner, owner, manager, or
1.16	employee of the closed deputy registrar office location in the open bidding process.
1.17	(c) The commissioner must adopt rules to administer and enforce an open bidding process
1.18	to select a replacement deputy registrar. If the replacement deputy registrar elects to not
1.19	offer services at the office location of the prior registrar, the rules governing the selection
1.20	of a proposed office location apply.
1.21	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective October 1, 2025.

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2.1	Sec. 2. Mir	nnesota Statutes 2022	, section 171.0	51, is amended by add	ling a subdivision to				
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2.6	commissione	commissioner must allow an open bidding process for the appointment of a replacement							
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2.9	(b) The c	(b) The commissioner must not give any preference to any partner, owner, manager, or							
2.10		employee of the closed driver's license agent office location in the open bidding process.							
2.11	<u>(c)</u> The co	ommissioner must add	opt rules to adm	nister and enforce an o	open bidding process				
2.12	to select a replacement driver's license agent. If the replacement driver's license agent elects								
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2.16	Sec. 3. DE	PUTY REGISTRA	R AND DRIV	ER'S LICENSE AGI	ENT LOCATIONS				
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3.1	(1) the comm	issioner's proposal	for administer	ring and enforcing an op	en bidding process		
3.2	to select a replacement deputy registrar or driver's license agent at an existing approved						
3.3	location;						
3.4	(2) recomme	nded legislation to	establish, imp	olement, administer, an	d enforce an open		
3.5	bidding process and its requirements in statute rather than the commissioner using rulemaking						
3.6	to create the pro	cess;					
3.7	(3) an analys	is of how the open	bid proposal	would interact with the	commissioner's		
3.8	existing rules or	deputy registrar ar	nd driver's lice	ense agent office locati	ons and propose		
3.9	recommendation	ns to reconcile any	issues;				
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3.10	<u> </u>			ervice outcomes, finan	— ——		
3.11	and needed finat	ncial assistance for	deputy regist	rars and driver's license	e agents;		
3.12	<u>(5) how an o</u>	pen bidding proces	s would initia	te business developme	nt for persons who		
3.13	are seeking appo	ointment as a deput	y registrar or	driver's license agent;			
3.14	(6) the expec	eted fiscal impact fo	or creating and	d administering an oper	n bidding process;		
3.15	(7) recomme	ndations on the imp	act of implem	enting an open bidding	process on existing		
3.16	deputy registrar	and driver's license	e agent locatio	ons; and			
3.17	(8) feedback	from existing depu	ty registrars a	and driver's license age	nts on the		
3.18	commissioner's	proposal.					
3.19	Subd. 3. Rep	oort. By February 1	, 2025, the co	ommissioner must com	plete the study and		
3.20	submit it to the	chairs, ranking min	ority member	s, and staff of the legis	lative committees		
3.21	with jurisdiction	over transportation	n finance and	policy. The study must	include proposed		
3.22	legislation to est	ablish and impleme	ent the open b	idding process require	d in Minnesota		
3.23	Statutes, section	168.33, subdivision	8b, and Minne	esota Statutes, section 1	71.061, subdivision		
3.24	<u>5a.</u>						