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DATE 04/13/2023 D-PG OFFICIAL STATUS 4787 Introduction and first reading

Referred to Transportation

03/18/2024 Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to State and Local Government and Veterans

A bill for an act

relating to transportation; requiring an open bidding process when deputy registrars

and driver's license agents close locations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, 1.3 sections 168.33, by adding a subdivision; 171.061, by adding a subdivision. 1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA: 1 5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.33, is amended by adding a subdivision 1.6 to read: 1.7 Subd. 8b. Open bidding. (a) Notwithstanding any statute or rule to the contrary, if a 1.8 deputy registrar appointed under this section permanently stops offering services at the 1.9 approved office location and permanently closes the approved office location, the 1.10 commissioner must allow an open bidding process for the appointment of a replacement 1.11 deputy registrar. A replacement deputy registrar appointed by the commissioner under this 1.12 section may continue to offer services at the approved office location. 1.13 (b) The commissioner must not give any preference to any partner, owner, manager, or 1.14 employee of the closed deputy registrar office location in the open bidding process. 1.15 (c) The commissioner must adopt rules to administer and enforce an open bidding process 1.16 to select a replacement deputy registrar. If the replacement deputy registrar elects to not 1.17 offer services at the office location of the prior registrar, the rules governing the selection 1.18

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of a proposed office location apply.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2023.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.061, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

- Subd. 5a. **Open bidding.** (a) Notwithstanding any statute or rule to the contrary, if a driver's license agent appointed under this section permanently stops offering services at the approved office location and permanently closes the approved office location, the commissioner must allow an open bidding process for the appointment of a replacement driver's license agent. A replacement driver's license agent appointed by the commissioner under this section may continue to offer services at the approved office location.
- (b) The commissioner must not give any preference to any partner, owner, manager, or employee of the closed driver's license agent office location in the open bidding process.
- (c) The commissioner must adopt rules to administer and enforce an open bidding process to select a replacement driver's license agent. If the replacement driver's license agent elects to not offer services at the office location of the prior agent, the rules governing the selection of a proposed office location apply.
- 2.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023.

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