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A bill for an act

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relating to motor vehicles; modifying certain driver's license online knowledge

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testing provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.13, subdivision

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

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 171.13, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

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Subd. 9. **Online driver's license knowledge testing authorization.** (a) The commissioner

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must implement online knowledge testing as provided in this subdivision. The commissioner

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must not charge a fee to a driver education program or an authorized entity for access to

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the online knowledge testing system or for administering the online knowledge test. ~~The~~

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~~commissioner must administer the fourth or subsequent knowledge test for a person.~~

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(b) Upon written request from a driver education program licensed by the department,

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the commissioner must grant access to the department's web-based knowledge testing system

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to the driver education program. Once granted access to the online knowledge testing system,

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a driver education program may administer the online knowledge test to a student of the

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program.

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(c) An entity other than a driver education program may apply to the commissioner for

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authority to administer online knowledge tests. The commissioner may approve or disapprove

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an application for administering the online knowledge tests under this paragraph. Upon

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approving an application of an entity, the commissioner must grant access to the department's

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web-based knowledge testing system to that authorized entity. Once granted access to the

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online knowledge testing system, the authorized entity may administer the online knowledge

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test.

- 2.1 (d) A driver education program or authorized entity:
- 2.2 (1) must provide all computers and equipment for persons that take the online knowledge
- 2.3 test;
- 2.4 (2) must provide appropriate proctors to monitor persons taking the online knowledge
- 2.5 test; and
- 2.6 (3) may charge a fee of no more than \$10 for administering the online knowledge test.
- 2.7 (e) For purposes of paragraph (d), clause (2), a proctor must be:
- 2.8 (1) an employee of the driver education program, authorized entity, or a state or local
- 2.9 government;
- 2.10 (2) a driver's license agent; or
- 2.11 (3) a classroom teacher, school administrator, or paraprofessional at a public or private
- 2.12 school, excluding a home school.
- 2.13 The proctor must be physically present at the location where the test is being administered.
- 2.14 A proctor must not be a relative of the person taking the test. For purposes of this paragraph,
- 2.15 a relative is a spouse, fiancée, fiancé, grandparent, parent, child, sibling, or legal guardian,
- 2.16 including adoptive, half, step, and in-law relationships.
- 2.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2025.