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SENATE STATE OF MINNESOTA NINETY-SECOND SESSION

A bill for an act

relating to motor vehicles; requiring the commissioner of public safety to establish

S.F. No. 4320

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DATE D-PG OFFICIAL STATUS 5654 Introduction and first reading

Referred to Transportation Finance and Policy 7516 Author added Fateh

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the Undocumented Immigrant Drivers' Licenses Task Force; repealing the 1.3 requirement of lawful presence to obtain a driver's license; requiring a report; 1.4 repealing Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.015, subdivision 7; Minnesota 1.5 Rules, part 7410.0410, subparts 1, 7. 1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA: 1.7 Section 1. UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANT DRIVERS' LICENSES TASK FORCE. 1.8 (a) The commissioner of public safety must convene a task force to study the issue of 1.9 issuing drivers' licenses to undocumented immigrants. The commissioner must appoint 1.10 members to the task force to represent various points of view and expertise. The task force 1.11 must: 1.12 (1) study the feasibility of establishing a new type of driver's license that would allow 1.13 1.14 undocumented immigrants to drive legally in the state without granting any other rights or privileges; 1.15 1.16 (2) study the feasibility of requiring domestic and foreign documentation to prove an applicant's identity and residence in the state, including what types of documents may be 1.17 required and how the documents should be verified; 1.18 (3) assess the feasibility, including the cost, of developing a process for the department 1.19 to accept required documents that have been verified by a foreign embassy or other foreign 1.20 national representative within the United States; 1.21 (4) review laws and policies adopted by other states relating to drivers' licenses for 1.22

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undocumented immigrants;

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- 2.8 (8) make recommendations to the legislature regarding whether the state should issue
 2.9 drivers' licenses to undocumented immigrants and, if so, the requirements and processes
 2.10 for doing so.
- (b) The commissioner must report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the
 legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance by January
 15, 2023. The report must include a summary of the activities of the task force and any
 recommendations to the legislature.
- 2.15 Sec. 2. REPEALER.
- 2.16 (a) Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.015, subdivision 7, is repealed.
- 2.17 (b) Minnesota Rules, part 7410.0410, subparts 1 and 7, are repealed.
- 2.18 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 2.19 This act is effective the day following final enactment.

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APPENDIX

Repealed Minnesota Statutes: 22-07359

171.015 DRIVER'S LICENSE DIVISION.

- Subd. 7. **Rulemaking limitation.** (a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the commissioner is prohibited from adopting any final rule that amends, conflicts with, or has the effect of modifying requirements in Minnesota Rules, parts 7410.0100 to 7410.0800.
- (b) This subdivision does not constitute authorization for the commissioner to adopt rules absent authority otherwise provided by other law.

APPENDIX Repealed Minnesota Rules: 22-07359

7410.0410 PROOF OF RESIDENCY.

Subpart 1. **Proof of residency required at time of application.** Proof of residency is required at the time of application for an initial driving permit, driver's license, or state identification card. The applicant must attest to a residence address in Minnesota and demonstrate proof of either lawful short-term admission to the United States, permanent United States resident status, indefinite authorized presence status, or United States citizenship.

Subp. 7. **No lawful admission status.** The department shall not issue a driver's license, permit, or identification card if an individual has no lawful admission status to the United States.