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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Transportation Finance and Policy

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1.1 A bill for an act  
 1.2 relating to transportation; governing drivers' licenses; modifying requirements for  
 1.3 the restricted farm work license; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section  
 1.4 171.041.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 171.041, is amended to read:

1.7 **171.041 RESTRICTED LICENSE FOR FARM WORK.**

1.8 (a) Notwithstanding any provisions of section 171.04 relating to the age of an applicant  
 1.9 to the contrary, the commissioner may issue a restricted farm work license to operate a  
 1.10 motor vehicle to a person who has attained the age of 15 years and who, except for age, is  
 1.11 qualified to hold a driver's license. The applicant is not required to comply with the six-month  
 1.12 instruction permit possession provisions of sections 171.04, subdivision 1, clause (2), and  
 1.13 171.05, subdivision 2a, or with the 12-month provisional license possession provision of  
 1.14 section 171.04, subdivision 1, clause (1), item (i).

1.15 (b) The restricted license ~~shall~~ must be issued solely for the purpose of authorizing the  
 1.16 person to whom the restricted license is issued to assist the person's parents or guardians  
 1.17 with farm work. An individual may perform farm work under the restricted license for any  
 1.18 entity authorized to farm under section 500.24. A person holding this restricted license may  
 1.19 operate a motor vehicle only during daylight hours and only within a radius of ~~20~~ 40 miles  
 1.20 of the parent's or guardian's farmhouse; however, in no case may a person holding the  
 1.21 restricted license operate a motor vehicle in a city of the first class.

1.22 (c) An applicant for a restricted license shall apply to the commissioner for the license  
 1.23 on forms prescribed by the commissioner. The application shall be accompanied by:

2.1 (1) a copy of a property tax statement showing that the applicant's parent or guardian  
2.2 owns land that is classified as agricultural land or a copy of a rental statement or agreement  
2.3 showing that the applicant's parent or guardian rents land classified as agricultural land; and

2.4 (2) a written verified statement by the applicant's parent or guardian setting forth the  
2.5 necessity for the license.

2.6 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.