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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Transportation Finance Division

Referred by Chair to Transportation and Transit Policy Subcommittee.

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Returned to the Transportation Finance Division as Amended.

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to drivers' licenses; amending the appearance of restricted licenses;
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 171.07, subdivision 1.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 171.07, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.6 Subdivision 1. **License; contents.** (a) Upon the payment of the required fee, the
1.7 department shall issue to every qualifying applicant a license designating the type or class
1.8 of vehicles the applicant is authorized to drive as applied for. This license must bear a
1.9 distinguishing number assigned to the licensee; the licensee's full name, date of birth, and
1.10 residence address; a description of the licensee in a manner as the commissioner deems
1.11 necessary; and the usual signature of the licensee. No license is valid unless it bears
1.12 the usual signature of the licensee. Every license must bear a colored photograph or an
1.13 electronically produced image of the licensee.

1.14 (b) If the United States Postal Service will not deliver mail to the applicant's
1.15 residence address as listed on the license, then the applicant shall provide verification from
1.16 the United States Postal Service that mail will not be delivered to the applicant's residence
1.17 address and that mail will be delivered to a specified alternate mailing address. When an
1.18 applicant provides an alternate mailing address under this subdivision, the commissioner
1.19 shall use the alternate mailing address in lieu of the applicant's residence address for
1.20 all notices and mailings to the applicant.

1.21 (c) Every license issued to an applicant under the age of 21 must be of a
1.22 distinguishing color and plainly marked "Under-21."

2.1 (d) The department shall use processes in issuing a license that prohibit, as nearly as
2.2 possible, the ability to alter or reproduce a license, or prohibit the ability to superimpose a
2.3 photograph or electronically produced image on a license, without ready detection.

2.4 (e) A license issued to an applicant age 65 or over must be plainly marked "senior" if
2.5 requested by the applicant.

2.6 (f) Every Minnesota driver's license issued to an applicant who is restricted from
2.7 consuming alcohol under section 171.09 must be (1) of a distinguishing color matching
2.8 licenses issued under paragraph (c), and (2) plainly marked with a symbol or letter on the
2.9 front of the license indicating that the holder is restricted from consuming alcohol. The
2.10 license may include text on the back indicating the nature of the restriction.