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S.F. No. 777

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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Transportation

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to transportation; providing for retroactive driver's license reinstatement
1.3 for certain individuals.

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

1.5 Section 1. **RETROACTIVE DRIVER'S LICENSE REINSTATEMENT.**

1.6 (a) The commissioner of public safety must make an individual's driver's license eligible
1.7 for reinstatement if the license is solely suspended pursuant to:

1.8 (1) Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 169.92, subdivision 4, if the person did not appear
1.9 in court (i) in compliance with the terms of a citation for a petty misdemeanor, or (ii) for a
1.10 violation of Minnesota Statutes, section 171.24, subdivision 1;

1.11 (2) Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.16, subdivision 2, if the person was convicted
1.12 only under Minnesota Statutes, section 171.24, subdivision 1 or 2;

1.13 (3) Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 171.16, subdivision 3; or

1.14 (4) any combination of clauses (1), (2), and (3).

1.15 (b) By December 1, 2023, the commissioner must provide written notice to an individual
1.16 whose license has been made eligible for reinstatement under paragraph (a), addressed to
1.17 the licensee at the licensee's last known address.

1.18 (c) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, before the license is reinstated, an individual
1.19 whose driver's license is eligible for reinstatement under paragraph (a) must pay a single
1.20 reinstatement fee of \$20.

2.1 (d) The following applies for an individual who is eligible for reinstatement under
2.2 paragraph (a) and whose license was suspended, revoked, or canceled under any other
2.3 provision in Minnesota Statutes:

2.4 (1) the suspension, revocation, or cancellation under any other provision in Minnesota
2.5 Statutes remains in effect;

2.6 (2) subject to clause (1), the individual may become eligible for reinstatement under
2.7 paragraph (a); and

2.8 (3) the commissioner is not required to send the notice described in paragraph (b).

2.9 (e) Paragraph (a) applies notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes 2020, sections 169.92,
2.10 subdivision 4; and 171.16, subdivision 2 or 3; or any other law to the contrary.

2.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.