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Overview

This bill amends requirements for obtaining a driver's license or Minnesota identification card, to (1) allow certain identification cards issued by a foreign government as a form of proof of identity; and (2) eliminate an administrative rule that the applicant provide proof of legal residency in the United States.

Section

- 1** **Application requirements.** Modifies the requirements for obtaining a driver's license, so that an applicant must attest to residence in Minnesota, and the applicant may use a government identification card as a primary form of proof of identity. Defines a "government identification card" to be an official identification card issued by a foreign country that meets certain requirements, including having a photograph of the cardholder, a unique identification number, and security features.
- 2** **Repealer.** Repeals an administrative rule that requires proof of residency and legal presence in the United States in order to obtain a driver's license or Minnesota identification card. Also removes associated procedures for documenting proof, issuing a short-term license or card, providing warning and notice, and cancelling the license or card.

The provisions go into effect January 1, 2011.