

Subject Driver and vehicle agency policy

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Overview

This bill makes a variety of changes related to motor vehicles and driver licensing. It is initiated by the Department of Public Safety. The changes are effective August 1, 2024.

Summary

Section	Description
1	Pickup truck. Modifies the definition of a “pickup truck” in the chapter of statutes on motor vehicle registration, to include applicable trucks that have a gross vehicle weight of exactly 10,000 pounds.
2	Recreational vehicle. Modifies the definition of a “recreational vehicle” in the chapter of statutes on motor vehicle registration, to include a teardrop trailer.
3	Trailer. Excludes recreational vehicles from a provision on license plate display requirements for small trailers.
4	General requirements; fees. Broadens eligibility for a veterans service group special plate, to include vehicles owned by a congressionally chartered veterans service organization such as the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars (which is in addition to individuals who are members of the organization). Eliminates a prohibition on issuance of multiple sets of plates for different vehicles.
5	State. Modifies the definition of a “state” in the chapter of statutes on driver licensing, to include a U.S. military base located on foreign soil.

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6	<p>Contents of application; other information.</p> <p>Paragraph (a) identifies specific individual characteristics (like height and weight) to be provided in a driver's license or Minnesota identification card application, and makes technical changes.</p> <p>Deleted paragraph (d) eliminates a type of document that can be provided to show identity, which is substantially reproduced elsewhere in the bill (in a centralized list of accepted documents).</p> <p>New paragraph (e) sets requirements on residence address in Minnesota.</p>
7	<p>Evidence; identity; date of birth.</p> <p>Modifies and adds to the list of accepted documents that can be used to show identity and date of birth in application for a REAL ID-compliant driver's license or identification card.</p>
8	<p>[Adds § 171.062] Evidence of identity; noncompliant credentials.</p> <p>Statutorily codifies and centralizes documentation requirements to show identity in application for a noncompliant driver's license or identification card, including to (1) require a Minnesota credential or various forms of identity documentation, (2) specify lists of documents that are accepted, (3) set document condition and translation requirements, and (4) provide for verification.</p> <p>(Under current law, substantially similar lists of accepted documents are identified in a combination of state statute and administrative rules. The change has the effect of moving the documents lists into a single location, with removal of some conditions.)</p>
9	<p>[Adds § 171.063] Evidence of identity for enhanced credentials.</p> <p>Statutorily codifies documentation requirements to show identity in application for an enhanced driver's license or identification card, including to specify lists of documents that are accepted to show date of birth, full legal name, social security number, photographic identity, citizenship, and residency.</p>
10	<p>Tribal identification card.</p> <p>Makes technical and conforming changes.</p>
11	<p>Authorization.</p> <p>Provides for approval (in addition to licensing) by the Department of Public Safety for teleconference driver education programs. Eliminates a restriction on use of teleconference driver education when a portion of instruction is contracted.</p>

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12	Online driver education program. Provides for approval (in addition to licensing) by the Department of Public Safety for online driver education programs.
13	Repealer. Repeals specification of the types of documents that can be submitted as evidence of Social Security number in application for a REAL ID-compliant driver's license or identification card.



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