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A bill for an act

relating to transportation; driver and vehicle services; establishing a full-service

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provider account; modifying fee distributions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, 1.3 sections 168.33, subdivision 7; 171.06, subdivision 2; 299A.705, by adding a 1.4 subdivision. 1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA: 1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 168.33, subdivision 7, is amended to read: 1.7 Subd. 7. Filing fees; allocations. (a) In addition to all other statutory fees and taxes: 1.8 (1) an \$8 filing fee is imposed on every vehicle registration renewal, excluding pro rate 1.9 transactions; and 1.10 (2) a \$12 filing fee is imposed on every other type of vehicle transaction, including motor 1.11 carrier fuel licenses under sections 168D.05 and 168D.06, and pro rate transactions. 1.12 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a): 1.13 (1) a filing fee may not be charged for a document returned for a refund or for a correction 1.14 of an error made by the Department of Public Safety, a dealer, or a deputy registrar; and 1.15 (2) no filing fee or other fee may be charged for the permanent surrender of a title for a 1.16 vehicle. 1.17 (c) The filing fee must be shown as a separate item on all registration renewal notices 1.18 sent out by the commissioner. 1.19 (d) The statutory fees and taxes, the filing fees imposed under paragraph (a), and the 1.20 1.21 surcharge imposed under paragraph (f) may be paid by credit card or debit card. The deputy

registrar may collect a surcharge on the payment made under this paragraph not greater than

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| 2.1 | the cost of processing a credit card or debit card transaction, in accordance with emergency |
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| 2.2 | rules established by the commissioner of public safety. The surcharge authorized by this |
| 2.3 | paragraph must be used to pay the cost of processing credit and debit card transactions. |
| 2.4 | (e) The fees collected under paragraph (a) by the department must be allocated as follows: |
| 2.5 | (1) of the fees collected under paragraph (a), clause (1): |
| 2.6 | (i) \$6.50 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account under |
| 2.7 | section 299A.705, subdivision 1; and |
| 2.8 | (ii) \$1.50 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services technology account under |
| 2.9 | section 299A.705, subdivision 3; and |
| 2.10 | (2) of the fees collected under paragraph (a), clause (2): |
| 2.11 | (i) \$3.50 must be deposited in the general fund; |
| 2.12 | (ii) \$7 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account under |
| 2.13 | section 299A.705, subdivision 1; and |
| 2.14 | (iii) \$1.50 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services technology account under |
| 2.15 | section 299A.705, subdivision 3. |
| 2.16 | (f) In addition to all other statutory fees and taxes, a deputy registrar must assess a \$1 |
| 2.17 | surcharge on every transaction for which filing fees are collected under this subdivision. |
| 2.18 | The surcharge authorized by this paragraph must be (1) deposited in the treasury of the |
| 2.19 | place for which the deputy registrar is appointed, or (2) if the deputy registrar is not a public |
| 2.20 | official, retained by the deputy registrar. For purposes of this paragraph, a deputy registrar |
| 2.21 | does not include the commissioner. |
| 2.22 | (g) The fees collected under this subdivision by the department for mail or online |
| 2.23 | transactions must be allocated as follows: |
| 2.24 | (1) of the fees collected under paragraph (a), clause (1): |
| 2.25 | (i) \$3.25 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account under |
| 2.26 | section 299A.705, subdivision 1; |
| 2.27 | (ii) \$0.75 must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services technology account under |
| 2.28 | section 299A.705, subdivision 3; and |
| 2.29 | (iii) \$4.00 must be deposited in the full-service provider account under section 299A.705, |
| 2.30 | subdivision 5; and |
| 2.31 | (2) of the fees collected under paragraph (a), clause (2): |

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- (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), an individual who holds a provisional license and has a driving record free of (1) convictions for a violation of section 169A.20, 169A.33, 169A.35, sections 169A.50 to 169A.53, or section 171.177, (2) convictions for crash-related moving violations, and (3) convictions for moving violations that are not crash related, has a \$3.50 credit toward the fee for any classified under-21 driver's license. "Moving violation" has the meaning given it in section 171.04, subdivision 1.
- (d) In addition to the driver's license fee required under paragraph (a), the commissioner must collect an additional \$4 processing fee from each new applicant or individual renewing a license with a school bus endorsement to cover the costs for processing an applicant's initial and biennial physical examination certificate. The department must not charge these applicants any other fee to receive or renew the endorsement.
- (e) In addition to the fee required under paragraph (a), a driver's license agent may charge and retain a filing fee as provided under section 171.061, subdivision 4.
- (f) In addition to the fee required under paragraph (a), the commissioner must charge a filing fee at the same amount as a driver's license agent under section 171.061, subdivision 4. Revenue collected under this paragraph for in-person transactions must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account under section 299A.705. Revenue collected under this paragraph for mail or online transactions must be allocated as follows:
- (1) 50 percent must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account under section 299A.705, subdivision 1; and

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(2) 50 percent must be deposited in the full-service provider account under section
299A.705, subdivision 5.

(g) An application for a Minnesota identification card, instruction permit, provisional license, or driver's license, including an application for renewal, must contain a provision that allows the applicant to add to the fee under paragraph (a), a \$2 donation for the purposes of public information and education on anatomical gifts under section 171.075.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective October 1, 2025.

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- Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 299A.705, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- 5.10 Subd. 5. Full-service provider account. (a) The full-service provider account is created in the special revenue fund, consisting of fees described in sections 168.33, subdivision 7, and 171.06, subdivision 2, and any other money donated, allotted, transferred, or otherwise provided to the account.
 - (b) Money in the account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of public safety to distribute to full-service providers, as defined in section 168.002, subdivision 12a. At least quarterly, the commissioner must distribute the money in the account to each full-service provider that was in operation during that quarter based proportionally on the total number of transactions completed by each full-service provider.
- 5.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective October 1, 2025, and the first quarterly distribution shall be made on or before January 15, 2026.

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