

Public Safety and Corrections Bill Comparison Summary of Senate File 2749, First Unofficial Engrossment/House File 3467, Third Engrossment

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Article 9: Public Safety and Corrections (unless otherwise indicated)	Sec.	Article 12: Public Safety
No comparable provision.	1	<p>Violations by drivers; penalties. Amends traffic violations under Minnesota Statutes, section 169.444, by increasing the minimum fine from \$300 to \$500. Under Minnesota Statutes, section 169.444, it is a misdemeanor to fail to stop for a school bus displaying a stop arm or illegally pass on the right of a school bus flashing amber lights. [H.F. 1948]</p>
No comparable provision.	2	<p>Violations; driving without a valid license. Sets increased penalties for some repeated offenses and injury and death situations where a person operates a motor vehicle without a valid driver’s license (which under current law is generally a misdemeanor). It:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • makes it a gross misdemeanor for operating without a valid license if the person causes a collision resulting in substantial bodily harm (which is a temporary but substantial loss, impairment, fracture, or disfigurement) or a person’s death; • makes it a gross misdemeanor for a third or subsequent operating without a valid license conviction within a ten-year period; and • sets minimum fines, with a provision for community service in cases of financial hardship, of (1) \$750 for a second conviction, and (2) \$1,500 for third or subsequent convictions. <p>The section also permits, in addition to conviction under the section of statutes on driving without a valid license, conviction for other violations arising from the driving conduct. [H.F. 3385]</p>
S.F. 2862-1 (passed Senate), section 1 is identical.	3	<p>Registration required. Amends the predatory offender registration statute by striking language. This change expands registration in prostitution offenses to include not only cases where a minor is under 13, but also undercover operations where a minor is reasonably believed to be under 13. <i>See</i> section 6. [H.F. 2976, as amended]</p>
No comparable provision.	4	<p>Sensory testing research. Allows sensory testing services to possess and serve alcohol as part of their business operations. [H.F. 3369]</p>
S.F. 2680-1 (on Senate floor) is similar.	5	<p>Felony assault motivated by bias. Increases the statutory maximum penalty by 25 percent for felony assault motivated by bias. Applies to first- through third-degree assault. [H.F. 2928]</p>

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<p>S.F. 2862-1 (passed Senate), section 2 is identical.</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>Hiring minor to engage in prostitution. Amends the crime of hiring or offering to hire an individual to engage in prostitution when the actor reasonably believes the individual is a minor. This law was amended last year to provide penalties in undercover operations, but was limited to a five-year felony. This section creates tiered penalties based on the age of the minor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • five-year felony if the minor is reasonably believed to be 16 or 17 • ten-year felony if the minor is reasonably believed to be 13, 14, or 15 • 20-year felony if the minor is reasonably believed to be under 13. <p>[H.F. 2976, as amended]</p>
<p>Section 8, subdivision 1, requires the Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Board to create a list of approved training courses to instruct peace officers in the techniques of responding to a mental health crisis. Delineates course requirements, including techniques on how to respond appropriately in a crisis to the children and families of individuals with mental health illnesses.</p> <p>Subdivision 2 requires peace officers holding an active license to complete a minimum of four hours of continuing education training under subdivision 1 over three years.</p> <p>The section has a July 1, 2017, effective date.</p>		<p>No comparable provision.</p>
<p>No comparable provision.</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>Avian influenza emergency response. Extends the authorization to use disaster contingency account monies to pay for costs of eligible avian influenza emergency response activities. The revised language would permit monies in the account to be used for “any agricultural emergency” and makes the monies in the account available for these purposes through fiscal year 2019. Requires reports from the commissioner of management and budget to the Legislature by both January 15, 2018, and January 15, 2020, on monies used from the account to fund these activities.</p>

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No comparable provision.	9	Correctional facility contract. Directs the commissioner to enter into either a contract to operate and purchase or a lease to own the private prison in Appleton, Minnesota, in order to address bed capacity shortfalls in state correctional facilities. [H.F. 3223, as amended]
No comparable provision.	10	Transfer; appropriation. Transfers \$1,000,000 from the MINNCOR revolving fund to the general fund.