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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-THIRD SESSION

H. F. No. 803

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; clarifying enhanced sentences for certain kidnapping
1.3 offenses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.25, subdivision 2.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.25, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 2. Sentence. Whoever violates subdivision 1 may be sentenced as follows:

1.7 (1) if the victim is released in a safe place without great bodily harm, to imprisonment
1.8 for not more than 20 years or to payment of a fine of not more than \$35,000, or both; or

1.9 (2) if the victim is not released in a safe place, or if the victim suffers great bodily harm
1.10 during the course of the kidnapping, or if the person kidnapped is under the age of 16, to
1.11 imprisonment for not more than 40 years or to payment of a fine of not more than \$50,000,
1.12 or both if:

1.13 (i) the victim is not released in a safe place;

1.14 (ii) the victim suffers great bodily harm during the course of the kidnapping; or

1.15 (iii) the person kidnapped is under the age of 16.

1.16 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2023.