

1.1 Scott from the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law to which was referred:

1.2 H. F. No. 7, A bill for an act relating to public safety; providing that data held by law  
1.3 enforcement agencies regarding the person or entity that posted bail are public; requiring  
1.4 notice to the agency having custody of the arrested or detained person when bail or a bond  
1.5 is posted; establishing mandatory minimum sentences for certain sex trafficking offenses;  
1.6 requiring persons subject to stays of adjudication in criminal sexual conduct cases to register  
1.7 as predatory offenders; requiring the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission to  
1.8 maintain a publicly searchable database; requiring legislative approval of proposed changes  
1.9 to the Sentencing Guidelines; requiring county attorneys to record and report the reason for  
1.10 dismissing charges; requiring the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission to report  
1.11 information on dismissals to the legislature; requiring county attorneys to post information  
1.12 on dismissals to a publicly accessible website; creating liability and vicarious liability for  
1.13 trespass to critical infrastructure; creating a crime for recruiting or educating individuals to  
1.14 trespass on or damage critical infrastructure; enhancing the penalty for assaulting a police  
1.15 officer; establishing the crime of fleeing in a motor vehicle and failing to obey certain traffic  
1.16 laws; prohibiting being in a stolen motor vehicle; increasing penalties for obstructing trunk  
1.17 highway, airport, or transit traffic; eliminating the requirement that a vehicle be unoccupied  
1.18 when law enforcement attach a tracking device; authorizing the expanded use of tracking  
1.19 devices for fleeing motor vehicles; imposing criminal penalties; appropriating money;  
1.20 amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.82, subdivision 2; 243.166, subdivisions  
1.21 1b, 2; 244.09, subdivision 11, by adding subdivisions; 609.2231, subdivision 1; 609.322,  
1.22 subdivision 1; 609.487, by adding a subdivision; 609.52, by adding a subdivision; 609.594,  
1.23 subdivision 2; 609.6055, subdivision 2; 609.74; 609.855, subdivision 2; 626A.35, subdivision  
1.24 2b, by adding a subdivision; 629.53; 629.67; 629.70; proposing coding for new law in  
1.25 Minnesota Statutes, chapters 388; 604.

1.26 Reported the same back with the following amendments:

1.27 Page 8, delete line 9

1.28 Page 8, line 10, delete "(6)" and insert "(5)"

1.29 Page 8, line 11, delete "(7)" and insert "(6)"

1.30 Page 13, delete section 17 and insert:

1.31 "Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 626A.35, subdivision 2b, is amended to read:

1.32 Subd. 2b. **Exception; stolen motor vehicles.** (a) The prohibition under subdivision 1  
1.33 does not apply to the use of a mobile tracking device on a stolen motor vehicle when:

(1) the consent of the owner of the vehicle has been obtained; or

(2) the owner of the motor vehicle has reported to law enforcement that the vehicle is stolen, ~~and the vehicle is occupied when the tracking device is installed~~ and the stolen vehicle is not on private property.

(b) Within ~~24~~ 12 hours of a tracking device being attached to a vehicle pursuant to the authority granted in paragraph (a), clause (2), an officer employed by the agency that attached the tracking device to the vehicle must remove the device, disable the device, or obtain a search warrant granting approval to continue to use the device in the investigation.

(c) A peace officer employed by the agency that attached a tracking device to a stolen motor vehicle must remove the tracking device if the vehicle is recovered and returned to the owner.

(d) Any tracking device evidence collected after the motor vehicle is returned to the owner is inadmissible.

(e) When a peace officer attaches a tracking device to a stolen vehicle pursuant to paragraph (a), clause (2), the peace officer must prepare a report that includes the evidence relied upon to establish the vehicle was reported stolen, the date and time the device was attached to the vehicle, the method used to attach the device to the vehicle, the duration for which the tracking device was attached to the vehicle, and an explanation of how the device impacted the outcome of the investigation. Reports created under this paragraph must be retained as part of the criminal investigation file.

(f) By August 1, 2024, and each year thereafter, the chief law enforcement officer of an agency that obtains a search warrant under paragraph (b), must provide notice to the superintendent of the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension of the number of search warrants the agency obtained under this subdivision in the preceding 12 months. The superintendent must provide a summary of the data received pursuant to this paragraph in the bureau's biennial report to the legislature required under section 299C.18."

With the recommendation that when so amended the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy.

This Committee action taken February 18, 2025

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