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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-THIRD SESSION

H. F. No. 2609

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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; modifying regulation of machine guns; amending  
1.3 Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.67, subdivision 2.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.67, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 2. **Acts prohibited.** (a) Except as otherwise provided herein, whoever owns,  
1.7 possesses, or operates a machine gun, or any trigger activator or machine gun conversion  
1.8 ~~kit, or a short-barreled shotgun~~ may be sentenced to imprisonment for not more than ~~five~~  
1.9 20 years or to payment of a fine of not more than ~~\$10,000~~ \$35,000, or both.

1.10 (b) Except as otherwise provided herein, whoever owns, possesses, or operates a  
1.11 short-barreled shotgun may be sentenced to imprisonment for not more than five years or  
1.12 to payment of a fine of not more than \$10,000, or both.

1.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023, and applies to offenses  
1.14 that occur on or after that date.