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Section

- 1** **Aggregation.** Allows offenses for financial exploitation of a vulnerable adult to be aggregated over a six-month period and sentenced accordingly. A crime under this section is sentenced under the general theft statute (§ 609.52, subd. 3) and is based on the value of property or services stolen. Penalties range from a misdemeanor to a 20-year felony.

(Similar aggregation provisions are found in the general theft statute and other theft-related statutes.)
- 2** **Venue.** Expands venue options for the crime of financial exploitation of a vulnerable adult to include the county where any part of the offense occurred or the county of residence of the victim or one of the victims. Under current statute, “every criminal cause shall be tried in the county where the offense was committed.” Minn. Stat. § 627.01.