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This act expands the felony 5th degree criminal sexual conduct (CSC) offense.

Section 1 authorizes a court to stay a sentence for up to six years (instead of two) for a person who commits a gross misdemeanor 5th degree CSC offense.

Under section 2, a person who engages in either (1) nonconsensual sexual contact with another person, or (2) masturbation or lewd exhibition of the genitals in front of a minor under the age of 16, may be sentenced for up to seven years in prison, if the person violates clause (1) or (2) within seven years of:

- a previous conviction for a violation of clause (2); criminal sexual conduct 1-5 (§§ 609.342 to 609.3451); criminal sexual predatory conduct (§ 609.3453); indecent exposure (§ 617.23, subd. 2, cl. (2) or subd. 3); or child pornography (§ 617.247); or
- two or more previous convictions for violations of clause (1).

A juvenile adjudication is not a prior offense for purposes of this offense.