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Overview

This bill requires certain persons who are committed under the civil commitment law as mentally ill and dangerous to the public to (1) register as predatory sex offenders; and (2) be subject to the community notification law. The bill also expands the registration requirement for kidnaping to apply to any kidnaping, not just a kidnaping involving a minor victim.

- 1 Registration required.** Expands the list of individuals who must register under the sex offender registration law to include individuals who are:
 - charged with or petitioned for an offense listed in the registration law or a similar law of another state or federal jurisdiction;
 - found not guilty by reason of mental illness or mental deficiency after a trial for that offense, or found guilty but mentally ill after a trial for that offense in states with a guilty but mentally ill verdict; and
 - committed pursuant to a court commitment order under section 253B.18 (the commitment procedure for individuals who are deemed mentally ill and dangerous to the public) or a similar law of another state or federal jurisdiction.Also provides that the registration requirement for kidnaping applies to any kidnaping, not just a kidnaping involving a minor victim.
- 323 Notice and registration period.** Make technical changes to account for the additional registration requirement imposed in section 1.
- 4 Definitions.** Expands the community notification law to make it applicable to individuals who must register as a sex offender under section 1.
- 5 Effective date.** Makes the bill effective August 1, 1999, for persons released from commitment on or after that date.