

HOUSE RESEARCH

Bill Summary

FILE NUMBER: S.F. 685
Version: Second engrossment

DATE: March 21, 2014

Authors: Hilstrom

Subject: Competency/civil commitment exams

Analyst: Rebecca Pirius, 651.296.5044

This publication can be made available in alternative formats upon request. Please call 651-296-6753 (voice); or the Minnesota State Relay Service at 1-800-627-3529 (TTY) for assistance. Summaries are also available on our website at: www.house.mn/hrd/.

This bill requires a criminal court to order simultaneous competency and civil commitment examinations when the defendant's competency is in question. An additional examination is not required in a subsequent civil commitment proceeding unless requested by a defense counsel appointed following filing of the petition.

Effective: August 1, 2014, and applies to criminal proceedings beginning on or after that date.