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Overview

This bill adds the crime of financial exploitation of a vulnerable adult to the list of felony-level, designated offenses in the forfeiture laws. A felony-level crime under Minnesota Statutes, section 609.2335, involves more than \$1,000 in stolen property.

Under current forfeiture laws, the following are subject to forfeiture: personal property that is used or intended for use to commit a designated offense, and all money and other property that represents the proceeds of a designated offense. A conviction is required and the prosecutor must prove the property is subject to forfeiture by clear and convincing evidence in a judicial hearing.