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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-SECOND SESSION

H. F. No. 346

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice Reform Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; increasing penalties for transferring certain firearms to
1.3 persons who are ineligible to possess firearms; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020,
1.4 section 624.7141.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 624.7141, is amended to read:

1.7 624.7141 TRANSFER TO INELIGIBLE PERSON.

1.8 Subdivision 1. Transfer prohibited. A person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor who
1.9 felony and may be sentenced to imprisonment for up to two years and to payment of a fine
1.10 of not more than \$10,000 if the person intentionally transfers a pistol or semiautomatic
1.11 military-style assault weapon to another if and the person knows that the transferee:

1.12 (1) has been denied a permit to carry under section 624.714 because the transferee is
1.13 not eligible under section 624.713 to possess a pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault
1.14 weapon;

1.15 (2) has been found ineligible to possess a pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault
1.16 weapon by a chief of police or sheriff as a result of an application for a transferee permit
1.17 or a transfer report; or

1.18 (3) is disqualified under section 624.713 from possessing a pistol or semiautomatic
1.19 military-style assault weapon.

1.20 Subd. 2. Felony Aggravated offense. A ~~violation of this section is a felony~~ person who
1.21 violates this section may be sentenced to imprisonment for up to five years and to payment

2.1 of a fine of not more than \$20,000 if the transferee possesses or uses the weapon within one
2.2 year after the transfer in furtherance of a felony crime of violence.

2.3 Subd. 3. **Subsequent eligibility.** This section is not applicable to a transfer to a person
2.4 who became eligible to possess a pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon
2.5 under section 624.713 after the transfer occurred but before the transferee used or possessed
2.6 the weapon in furtherance of any crime.