CHAPTER 22–S.F.No. 265

An act relating to public safety; requiring crime alerts to be distributed in a format that disabled citizens can access; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 13.871, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 611A.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 13.871, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- <u>Subd.</u> 12. <u>Crime alert access request.</u> <u>Data regarding contact information provided</u> by a citizen requesting a crime alert are classified under section 611A.0393.

Sec. 2. [611A.0393] CRIME ALERTS; VIOLENT CRIMES; DISABLED ACCESS.

If a law enforcement agency provides a crime alert to citizens within its jurisdiction, the alerts and any accompanying documents must be in a form that a disabled person can access with commercially available text-based screen reader software. Any contact information provided by a citizen requesting a crime alert is private data on individuals as defined in section 13.02.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2009.

Presented to the governor April 15, 2009

Signed by the governor April 16, 2009, 2:19 p.m.