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A bill for an act

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relating to the legislature; requiring racial impact screening of certain legislation;

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proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 3.

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

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Section 1. **[3.99] RACIAL IMPACT SCREENING.**

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Subdivision 1. No impact statement. A screening must be conducted by the Sentencing

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Guidelines Commission on all legislation which may, if enacted, affect the racial composition

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of the criminal offender population. If the Sentencing Guidelines Commission finds that

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the legislation will not have a racial impact, a brief statement explaining the result of the

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screening must be attached to the legislation.

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Subd. 2. Impact statement. If the screening indicates that the legislation will affect the

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racial composition of the criminal offender population, a racial impact statement must be

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completed and attached to the legislation prior to its passage. The statement must include

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information concerning the estimated number of criminal cases per year that the legislation

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will impact, the fiscal impact of confining persons pursuant to the legislation, the impact

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of the legislation on racial minorities, the impact of the legislation upon existing correctional

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institutions, community-based correctional facilities and services, and jails, the likelihood

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that the legislation may create a need for additional prison capacity, and other relevant

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matters. A description of the effect the legislation may have on victims of crime who are

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members of racial groups for which data are available must also be included.

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Subd. 3. Protocol. The Sentencing Guidelines Commission shall develop a protocol for

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screening and analyzing the impact of the legislation on the racial composition of the criminal

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offender population.