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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-SECOND SESSION

H. F. No. 3140

02/03/2022 Authored by Edelson, Moller, Christensen and Morrison 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; enhancing criminal penalty for fleeing or attempting to
1.3 flee peace officer while operating motor vehicle in reckless or grossly negligent
1.4 manner; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 609.487, subdivision 3.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 609.487, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 3. **Fleeing officer; motor vehicle.** Whoever ~~by means of a motor vehicle~~ flees
1.8 or attempts to flee a peace officer who is acting in the lawful discharge of an official duty,
1.9 and the perpetrator knows or should reasonably know the same to be a peace officer, is
1.10 guilty of a felony and may be sentenced as follows:

1.11 (1) if fleeing in a motor vehicle, to imprisonment for not more than three years and one
1.12 day or to payment of a fine of not more than \$5,000, or both; or

1.13 (2) if fleeing while operating a motor vehicle in a reckless or grossly negligent manner,
1.14 to imprisonment of not more than five years or to payment of a fine of not more than \$10,000,
1.15 or both.

1.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2022, and applies to crimes
1.17 committed on or after that date.