

A bill for an act

relating to public safety; proposing new penalties for repeat violators of certain motor vehicle property crimes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 609.546.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 609.546, is amended to read:

**609.546 MOTOR VEHICLE TAMPERING.**

Subdivision 1. Misdemeanor. A person is guilty of a misdemeanor who intentionally:

(1) rides in or on a motor vehicle knowing that the vehicle was taken and is being driven by another without the owner's permission; or

(2) tampers with or enters into or on a motor vehicle without the owner's permission.

Subd. 2. Gross misdemeanor. A person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor who violates subdivision 1 after having been previously convicted of or adjudicated delinquent two or more times for violating subdivision 1; section 609.52, subdivision 2, clause (17); 609.53; 609.59; or 609.595.

Subd. 3. Felony. A person is guilty of a felony who violates subdivision 1 after having been previously convicted of or adjudicated delinquent four or more times for violating subdivision 1; section 609.52, subdivision 2, clause (17); 609.53; 609.59; or 609.595.