

## State of Minnesota

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-SEVENTH SESSION

H. F. No. 3016

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Crime Prevention Policy and Finance

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to public safety; requiring public notice and allowing public participation  
1.3 in release hearings for the murderers of peace officers; amending Minnesota  
1.4 Statutes 2010, section 244.05, by adding a subdivision.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 244.05, is amended by adding a  
1.7 subdivision to read:

1.8 Subd. 9. Public notice of release hearing for killers of peace officers. (a) At  
1.9 least 30 days before a hearing to consider the release of an inmate sentenced to life  
1.10 imprisonment for committing murder in the first degree involving the killing of a peace  
1.11 officer or a guard employed at a Minnesota or local correctional facility, the commissioner  
1.12 shall post on the department's Web site information about the hearing. The information  
1.13 posted may include only public information about the inmate, the circumstances of the  
1.14 case, and the scheduled hearing.

1.15 (b) A member of the public may submit a written statement at the review hearing.  
1.16 Nothing in this subdivision may be interpreted to circumvent or limit the rights of  
1.17 the victim, the victim's family, the inmate, or the criminal justice community specified  
1.18 elsewhere in law to notice of the hearing or the right to participate in it.