

A bill for an act  
relating to crimes; changing requirement that defendant waiver of jury trial be  
consented to by prosecutor; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes,  
chapter 631.

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

Section 1. **[631.015] TRIAL BY JURY; WAIVER; COURT APPROVAL;  
PROSECUTOR CONSENT.**

The defendant may waive a jury on any issue with the approval of the courts and the  
consent of the prosecutor. The court may accept a defendant's waiver of a jury on any  
issue without the consent of the prosecutor, if the court finds that requiring a jury would  
deprive the defendant of a fair trial.