

SENATE

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EIGHTY-NINTH SESSION

S.F. No. 3213

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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
03/24/2016	5258	Introduction and first reading Referred to Judiciary
04/11/2016		Comm report: To pass as amended Second reading

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A bill for an act

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relating to crime; modifying crime and increasing sentence of interfering with

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a body or scene of death; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 609.502,

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subdivision 1, by adding subdivisions.

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

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 609.502, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

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Subdivision 1. **Concealing evidence.** ~~Whoever~~ A person is guilty of a felony and

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may be sentenced under subdivision 2 if the person interferes with the body or scene of

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death with intent to:

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(1) conceal the body;

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(2) conceal evidence; or

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(3) otherwise mislead the coroner or ~~conceal evidence is guilty of a gross~~

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~~misdemeanor~~ medical examiner.

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Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 609.502, is amended by adding a subdivision

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to read:

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Subd. 1a. **Penalty.** A person convicted under subdivision 1 may be sentenced to

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imprisonment for not more than ten years or to a payment of a fine of not more than

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\$20,000 or both.

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Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 609.502, is amended by adding a subdivision

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to read:

2.1 Subd. 1b. **Restitution** The court shall order any person convicted of a violation of
2.2 subdivision 1, clause (1), to make full restitution of all reasonable expenses incurred by a
2.3 law enforcement agency engaged in efforts to locate the body.

2.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2016, and applies to crimes
2.5 committed on or after that date.

2.6 Sec. 4. **TITLE.**

2.7 This act shall be known as "Laura's Law."