

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-SEVENTH SESSION

H. F. No. 2373

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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

03/01/2012 Adoption of Report: Pass and Read Second Time

03/29/2012 Calendar for the Day

Read Third Time

Passed by the House and transmitted to the Senate

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; extending the felony of fraudulent or other improper
1.3 finance statements to include retaliation against a sheriff or county recorder for
1.4 performance of official duties regarding real property; amending Minnesota
1.5 Statutes 2010, section 609.7475, subdivision 3.

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

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 609.7475, subdivision 3, is amended to
1.8 read:

1.9 Subd. 3. **Penalties.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), a person who violates
1.10 subdivision 2 is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

1.11 (b) A person who violates subdivision 2 is guilty of a felony and may be sentenced
1.12 to imprisonment for not more than five years or to payment of a fine of not more than
1.13 \$10,000, or both, if the person:

1.14 (1) commits the offense with intent to influence or otherwise tamper with a juror
1.15 or a judicial proceeding or with intent to retaliate against:

1.16 (i) a judicial officer, as defined in section 609.415, or;

1.17 (ii) a prosecutor, defense attorney, or officer of the court, because of that person's
1.18 performance of official duties in connection with a judicial proceeding;

1.19 (iii) a sheriff or deputy sheriff because of that person's performance of official duties
1.20 in connection with a sheriff's sale of real property; or

1.21 (iv) a county recorder because of that person's performance of official duties in
1.22 connection with the filing of liens placed on real property; or

1.23 (2) commits the offense after having been previously convicted of a violation
1.24 of this section.

- 2.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2012, and applies to
- 2.2 offenses committed on or after that date.