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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

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1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to criminal justice; allowing local governmental units to regulate the  
1.3 residency of level III sex offenders; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section  
1.4 244.052, subdivision 4a.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 244.052, subdivision 4a, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 4a. **Level III offenders; location of residence.** (a) When an offender  
1.8 assigned to risk level III is released from confinement or a residential facility to reside  
1.9 in the community or changes residence while on supervised or conditional release,  
1.10 the agency responsible for the offender's supervision shall take into consideration the  
1.11 proximity of the offender's residence to that of other level III offenders and proximity to  
1.12 schools and, to the greatest extent feasible, shall mitigate the concentration of level III  
1.13 offenders and concentration of level III offenders near schools, parks, and other locations  
1.14 frequented by children.

1.15 (b) If the owner or property manager of a hotel, motel, lodging establishment, or  
1.16 apartment building has an agreement with an agency that arranges or provides shelter for  
1.17 victims of domestic abuse, the owner or property manager may not knowingly rent rooms  
1.18 to both level III offenders and victims of domestic abuse at the same time. If the owner or  
1.19 property manager has an agreement with an agency to provide housing to domestic abuse  
1.20 victims and discovers or is informed that a tenant is a level III offender after signing a lease  
1.21 or otherwise renting to the offender, the owner or property manager may evict the offender.

1.22 (c) Counties, home rule charter and statutory cities, and towns may enact more  
1.23 restrictive ordinances regulating the proximity of the residence of level III offenders to  
1.24 other level III offenders, and to schools, parks, and other locations frequented by children.