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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; requiring the reporting of stolen or lost firearms; imposing
1.3 criminal penalties; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter
1.4 624.

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

1.6 Section 1. 624.7139 **STOLEN OR LOST FIREARMS.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Failure to report; gross misdemeanor.** A person who fails to report a
1.8 stolen or lost firearm within 14 days of discovery of the theft or loss may be punished as
1.9 provided in subdivision 2.

1.10 Subd. 2. **Penalty.** (a) A person who violates this section is guilty of a petty misdemeanor.

1.11 (b) A person who violates this section a second time is guilty of a misdemeanor.

1.12 (c) A person who violates this section a third or subsequent time is guilty of a gross
1.13 misdemeanor.

1.14 Subd. 3. **Duty to report.** A person shall report a stolen or lost firearm to the chief of
1.15 police of an organized full-time police department of the municipality where the person
1.16 resides or to the county sheriff if there is no local chief of police where the person resides.

1.17 Subd. 4. **Report to the commissioner of public safety.** A chief of police or sheriff shall
1.18 report a stolen or lost firearm to the commissioner of public safety within seven days of
1.19 receiving notification of the theft or loss under this section.

1.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2018, and applies to acts
1.21 committed on or after that date.