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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 626

01/31/2019 Authored by Grossell and Poston The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Public Safety and Criminal Justice Reform Finance and Policy Division

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; requiring law enforcement officers to record the country
1.3 of citizenship and immigration status of felon arrestees; requiring peace officers
1.4 to report suspected immigration violations by felon arrestees; proposing coding
1.5 for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 626.

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

1.7 Section 1. [626.521] RECORD OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION STATUS;
1.8 REPORT TO IMMIGRATION AUTHORITY.

1.9 Subdivision 1. Record. A peace officer must record the country of citizenship and the
1.10 immigration status of each person the officer arrests for a felony offense.

1.11 Subd. 2. Report to immigration authority. A peace officer who has reasonable cause
1.12 to believe that a felon arrestee is an undocumented noncitizen must notify, within 24 hours
1.13 of arrest, the United States immigration officer in charge of the district in which the person
1.14 is detained of the person's arrest. The peace officer must provide the federal immigration
1.15 officer with the noncitizen's name, address, location of detention, offenses leading to arrest,
1.16 and nationality, if known.

1.17 Subd. 3. Protocol. The commissioner of public safety shall establish a protocol for peace
1.18 officers to follow when performing the duties required under subdivisions 1 and 2.