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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-THIRD SESSION

H. F. No. **803**

01/25/2023 Authored by Moller  
The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy  
02/06/2023 Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register  
Read for the Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to public safety; clarifying enhanced sentences for certain kidnapping  
1.3 offenses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.25, subdivision 2.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 609.25, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 2. **Sentence.** Whoever violates subdivision 1 may be sentenced as follows:

1.7 (1) if the victim is released in a safe place without great bodily harm, to imprisonment  
1.8 for not more than 20 years or to payment of a fine of not more than \$35,000, or both; or

1.9 ~~(2) if the victim is not released in a safe place, or if the victim suffers great bodily harm~~  
1.10 ~~during the course of the kidnapping, or if the person kidnapped is under the age of 16,~~ to  
1.11 imprisonment for not more than 40 years or to payment of a fine of not more than \$50,000,  
1.12 or both if:

1.13 (i) the victim is not released in a safe place;

1.14 (ii) the victim suffers great bodily harm during the course of the kidnapping; or

1.15 (iii) the person kidnapped is under the age of 16.

1.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.