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SENATE STATE OF MINNESOTA EIGHTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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01/26/2012	3649	Introduction and first reading
		Referred to Judiciary and Public Safety
02/20/2012		Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Finance

1.1	A bill for an act
1.2	relating to crime; modifying the penalty for criminal neglect; amending
1.3	Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 609.233, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision.
1.4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
1.5	Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 609.233, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
1.6	Subdivision 1. Crime. A caregiver or operator who intentionally neglects a
1.7	vulnerable adult or knowingly permits conditions to exist that result in the abuse or
1.8	neglect of a vulnerable adult is guilty of a gross misdemeanor crime. For purposes of this
1.9	section, "abuse" has the meaning given in section 626.5572, subdivision 2, and "neglect"
1.10	means a failure to provide a vulnerable adult with necessary food, clothing, shelter, health
1.11	care, or supervision.
1.12	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2012, and applies to crimes
1.13	committed on or after that date.
1.14	Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 609.233, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.15	to read:
1.16	Subd. 3. Penalties. A person who violates subdivision 1 may be sentenced as
1.17	follows:
1.18	(1) if the act results in great bodily harm, imprisonment for not more than ten years
1.19	or payment of a fine of not more than \$20,000, or both;
1.20	(2) if the act results in substantial bodily harm or the risk of death, imprisonment for
1.21	not more than five years or payment of a fine of not more than \$10,000, or both; or

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2.1 (3) in other cases, imprisonment for not more than one year or payment of a fine of
2.2 not more than \$3,000, or both.
2.3 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2012, and applies to crimes
2.4 committed on or after that date.