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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Judiciary and Public Safety Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; allowing certain defendants to appear by interactive video
1.3 teleconferencing; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter
1.4 629.

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

1.6 Section 1. **629.4005** **INTERACTIVE VIDEO TELECONFERENCING.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Notification.** A person arrested on a warrant issued under section 629.41
1.8 shall be informed of the right to demand appearance by interactive video teleconferencing
1.9 when:

1.10 (1) the arrest takes place in a county other than the one in which the warrant was issued;

1.11 (2) the warrant directs that the person be held in custody or the person is unable to meet
1.12 the conditions of release;

1.13 (3) the highest charged offense is a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor; and

1.14 (4) the person would otherwise be transported over 50 miles.

1.15 Subd. 2. **Demand for interactive video teleconferencing.** On demand, a defendant
1.16 meeting the requirements of subdivision 1 shall be permitted to appear by interactive video
1.17 teleconferencing for any of the following proceedings:

1.18 (1) hearings conducted pursuant to rule 5, 6, or 8 of the Rules of Criminal Procedure;

1.19 (2) waiving an omnibus hearing described in rule 11 of the Rules of Criminal Procedure;

1.20 (3) plea hearings;

1.21 (4) sentencing hearings;

- 2.1 (5) probation revocation hearings; and
- 2.2 (6) any hearing for which the defendant's personal presence is not required under rules
- 2.3 14.02, subdivision 2, and 26.03, subdivision 1(3) of the Rules of Criminal Procedure.