

SENATE  
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03/11/2024	12135	Introduction and first reading Referred to Judiciary and Public Safety

1.1A bill for an act

1.2relating to public safety; requiring county attorneys to record and report the reason

1.3for dismissing charges; requiring the Sentencing Guidelines Commission to report

1.4information on dismissals to the legislature; requiring county attorneys to post

1.5information on dismissals to a publicly accessible website; amending Minnesota

1.6Statutes 2022, section 244.09, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new

1.7law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 388.

1.8BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.9Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 244.09, is amended by adding a subdivision

1.10to read:

1.11Subd. 16. Report on dismissals with agreement of the prosecutor. The Sentencing

1.12Guidelines Commission shall include in its annual report to the legislature a summary and

1.13analysis of reports received from county attorneys under section 388.052.

1.14EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2024.

1.15Sec. 2. [388.052] REPORT ON CRIMINAL CHARGES AND CASES DISMISSED.

1.16(a) In each case where the defendant is charged with a felony, a county attorney who

1.17dismisses any part of a criminal action pursuant to rule 30.01 of the Rules of Criminal

1.18Procedure shall record the following information in writing:

1.19(1) the name of the defendant;

1.20(2) the date of the offense;

1.21(3) all crimes charged;

1.22(4) any charges that were dismissed;

2.1 (5) whether the victim, if any, supports the dismissal;

2.2 (6) the date of dismissal; and

2.3 (7) any reason for the dismissal.

2.4 (b) The county attorney shall forward the information recorded under paragraph (a) to  
2.5 the Sentencing Guidelines Commission upon forms prescribed by the commission and must  
2.6 publish the information on the county attorney's publicly accessible website. Information  
2.7 forwarded to the Sentencing Guidelines Commission and posted on the county attorney's  
2.8 website must not include the identifying information of any victim.

2.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to dismissals  
2.10 that take place on or after that date.