SENATE
STATE OF MINNESOTA
NINETY-THIRD SESSION

S.F. No. 5517

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1.1   A bill for an act

1.2   relating to public safety; requiring a person who steals a firearm to report the theft
1.3   promptly to law enforcement; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law
1.4   in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 624.

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

1.6   Section 1. **[624.7139] STOLEN FIREARMS; REQUIRED REPORTING.**

1.7   Subdivision 1. **Duty to report.** A person who steals a firearm shall report the theft to a

1.8   law enforcement agency in the jurisdiction in which the theft occurred as soon as practicable

1.9   but not later than within 48 hours of the theft.

1.10   Subd. 2. **Penalty.** (a) A person who violates this section is guilty of a petty misdemeanor.

1.11   (b) A person who violates this section a second time is guilty of a misdemeanor.

1.12   (c) A person who violates this section a third or subsequent time is guilty of a gross

1.13   misdemeanor.

1.14   Subd. 3. **Report to commissioner of public safety.** A chief of police or sheriff shall

1.15   report a stolen firearm to the commissioner of public safety within seven days of receiving

1.16   notification of the theft under this section.

1.17   **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2024, and applies to acts

1.18   committed on or after that date.

1.19   Sec. 2. **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; APPROPRIATION.**

1.20 $....... in fiscal year 2025 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of

1.21   public safety for a reporting system overseen by the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension to

2.1   allow chiefs of police and sheriffs to report stolen firearms as provided in Minnesota Statutes,

2.2   section 624.7139. This is a onetime appropriation.