

CHAPTER 127—S.F.No. 1371

An act relating to public safety; authorizing law enforcement agencies to sell forfeited firearms to federally licensed firearms dealers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 609.5316, subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 609.5316, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Contraband.** Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, if the property is contraband, the property must be summarily forfeited and either destroyed or used by the appropriate agency for law enforcement purposes. Upon summary forfeiture, weapons used must be destroyed by the appropriate agency unless the agency decides to use the weapons for law enforcement purposes or sell the weapons in a commercially reasonable manner to federally licensed firearms dealers, as defined in section 624.7161, subdivision 1. If a weapon is sold under this subdivision, the proceeds must be distributed under section 609.5315, subdivision 5 or 5b.

Presented to the governor March 1, 2012

Signed by the governor March 5, 2012, 3:34 p.m.