

CHAPTER 5—H.F.No. 90

An act relating to crime; allowing offenses for financial exploitation of a vulnerable adult to be aggregated over a six-month period; expanding venue options for financial exploitation of a vulnerable adult; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 609.2335, by adding subdivisions.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 609.2335, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4. **Aggregation.** In any prosecution under this section, the value of the money or property or services received by the defendant within any six-month period may be aggregated and the defendant charged accordingly in applying the provisions of subdivision 3; provided that when two or more offenses are committed by the same person in two or more counties, the accused may be prosecuted in any county in which one of the offenses was committed for all of the offenses aggregated under this subdivision.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2013, and applies to crimes committed on or after that date.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 609.2335, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 5. **Venue.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section 627.01, an offense committed under this section may be prosecuted in: (1) the county where any part of the offense occurred; or (2) the county of residence of the victim or one of the victims.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2013.

Presented to the governor March 12, 2013

Signed by the governor March 14, 2013, 2:14 p.m.