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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **3067**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy

03/24/2014 Adoption of Report: Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; modifying notice of possession of a firearm in a
1.3 building in Capitol Area; modifying funding for security services provided by
1.4 the Department of Public Safety; appropriating money; amending Minnesota
1.5 Statutes 2012, section 609.66, subdivision 1g; repealing Minnesota Statutes
1.6 2012, section 299E.02.

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

1.8 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 609.66, subdivision 1g, is amended to read:

1.9 Subd. 1g. **Felony; possession in courthouse or certain state buildings.** (a)

1.10 A person who commits either of the following acts is guilty of a felony and may be
1.11 sentenced to imprisonment for not more than five years or to payment of a fine of not
1.12 more than \$10,000, or both:

1.13 (1) possesses a dangerous weapon, ammunition, or explosives within any courthouse
1.14 complex; or

1.15 (2) possesses a dangerous weapon, ammunition, or explosives in any state building
1.16 within the Capitol Area described in chapter 15B, other than the National Guard Armory.

1.17 (b) Unless a person is otherwise prohibited or restricted by other law to possess a
1.18 dangerous weapon, this subdivision does not apply to:

1.19 (1) licensed peace officers or military personnel who are performing official duties;

1.20 (2) persons who carry pistols according to the terms of a permit issued under section
1.21 624.714 and who ~~so~~ notify the sheriff ~~or the commissioner of public safety, as appropriate~~
1.22 prior to entering a courthouse complex;

1.23 (3) persons who possess dangerous weapons for the purpose of display as

1.24 demonstrative evidence during testimony at a trial or hearing or exhibition in compliance

2.1 with advance notice and safety guidelines set by the sheriff or the commissioner of public
2.2 safety; ~~or~~

2.3 (4) persons who possess dangerous weapons in a courthouse complex with the
2.4 express consent of the county sheriff or who possess dangerous weapons in a state building
2.5 with the express consent of the commissioner of public safety; or

2.6 (5) persons who enter a state building in the Capitol Area carrying pistols according
2.7 to the terms of a permit issued under section 624.714 and the requirements in paragraph (c).

2.8 (c) Prior to entering a state building in the Capitol Area, a person under paragraph
2.9 (b), clause (5), shall provide written notice by United States mail or electronic mail to the
2.10 commissioner of public safety of the person's intent to carry a pistol in the building. The
2.11 notice must include the person's name, date of birth, expiration date of the permit to
2.12 carry, and mailing address for notifications sent by United States mail or e-mail address
2.13 for notifications sent by electronic mail. The commissioner shall confirm receipt of the
2.14 notification by United States mail or e-mail. A person carrying a pistol in a state building
2.15 in the Capitol Area shall display the permit to carry card and a government-issued
2.16 identification document upon request by a licensed peace officer. A person who has a valid
2.17 permit to carry issued under section 624.714 and who provided notice to the commissioner
2.18 of public safety under this subdivision prior to the effective date of this act is not required
2.19 to comply with the notice requirements in this paragraph.

2.20 **Sec. 2. FUNDING FOR SECURITY SERVICES IN 2015.**

2.21 State agency tenants in the Capitol Area as described in Minnesota Statutes, chapter
2.22 15B, other than the National Guard Armory, who deposited fees in an account in the special
2.23 revenue fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 299E.02, for security services provided by
2.24 the Capitol Complex Security Division of the Department of Public Safety in fiscal year
2.25 2014 shall, for such security services in fiscal year 2015, deposit in an account in the special
2.26 revenue fund on July 1, 2015, an amount equal to that tenant's total fee amount deposited
2.27 in fiscal year 2014 under Minnesota Statutes, section 299E.02. The fees deposited in the
2.28 account are appropriated to the commissioner of public safety for security services provided
2.29 to the agency tenants in fiscal year 2015. The total amount of fees deposited in the account
2.30 for fiscal year 2015 shall be added to the base budget for the Department of Public Safety.

2.31 **Sec. 3. APPROPRIATION.**

2.32 \$..... in fiscal year 2015 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner
2.33 of public safety for the Capitol Complex Security Division. This appropriation must
2.34 include money to increase the number of state troopers in the division to a complement

3.1 of 12, and to increase the number of nonlicensed security officers in the division to
3.2 a complement of 67 to address vulnerabilities in the security of the Capitol Area, as
3.3 described in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 15B, other than the National Guard Armory,
3.4 including but not limited to placing state troopers and security officers in buildings for
3.5 security purposes as determined by the commissioner.

3.6 Sec. 4. **REPEALER.**

3.7 Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 299E.02, is repealed.

APPENDIX
Repealed Minnesota Statutes: H3067-1

299E.02 INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT; APPROPRIATION.

The commissioner of public safety shall execute interagency agreements with agency tenants in the Capitol complex whereby fees for the provision of security services are charged. Fees charged for security services provided by the Capitol Complex Security Division of the Department of Public Safety must be deposited in an account in the special revenue fund and are annually appropriated to the commissioner of public safety to provide these services.