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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to public safety; granting law enforcement officers employed by the federal

1.3 Department of Veterans Affairs reciprocal arrest and detention authority in the

1.4 state; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 626.77, subdivision 3.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 626.77, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 3. **Definition.** As used in this section, "federal law enforcement officer" means

1.8 an officer or employee whether employed inside or outside the state of the Federal Bureau

1.9 of Investigation, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the United States Marshal Service,

1.10 the Secret Service, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Department

1.11 of Homeland Security, ~~or~~ the United States Postal Inspection Service, or the Department

1.12 of Veterans Affairs, or their successor agencies, who is responsible for the prevention or

1.13 detection of crimes or for the enforcement of the United States Code and who is authorized

1.14 to arrest, with or without a warrant, any individual for a violation of the United States Code.