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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 57

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Civil Law and Data Practices Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to crime; preventing revictimization of a victim of a violent crime;
1.3 proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 611A.
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. 611A.69] REVICTIMIZATION RELIEF.

1.6 Subdivision 1. Action. In addition to any other right of action and any other remedy
1.7 provided by law, a victim of a violent crime may bring a civil action against an offender in
1.8 any court of competent jurisdiction to obtain injunctive and other appropriate relief, including
1.9 reasonable attorney fees and other costs associated with the litigation, for conduct which
1.10 perpetuates the continuing effect of the crime on the victim.

1.11 Subd. 2. Redress on behalf of victim. The district attorney of the county in which a
1.12 violent crime took place or the attorney general, after consulting with the district attorney,
1.13 may institute a civil action against an offender for injunctive or other appropriate relief for
1.14 conduct which perpetuates the continuing effect of the crime on the victim.

1.15 Subd. 3. Injunctive relief. Upon a showing of cause for the issuance of injunctive relief,
1.16 a court may issue special, preliminary, permanent, or any other injunctive relief as may be
1.17 appropriate under this section.

1.18 Subd. 4. Definition. (a) For the purposes of this section, the terms in this subdivision
1.19 have the meanings given them.

1.20 (b) "Conduct which perpetuates the continuing effect of the crime on the victim" means
1.21 conduct which retraumatizes the victim and causes a temporary or permanent state of mental
1.22 anguish for the victim.

2.1 (c) "Violent crime" has the meaning given in section 611A.036, subdivision 7.