

**SENATE
STATE OF MINNESOTA
NINETIETH SESSION**

S.F. No. 4035

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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Judiciary and Public Safety Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; enhancing penalties for offenses against protesters;
1.3 proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 609.

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

1.5 Section 1. **[609.216] INCREASED STATUTORY MAXIMUM SENTENCES FOR**
1.6 **OFFENSES AGAINST PROTESTERS.**

1.7 A person who violates section 609.19, 609.195, 609.20, 609.205, 609.2112, or 609.2113
1.8 is subject to a statutory maximum penalty of 25 percent longer than the maximum penalty
1.9 otherwise applicable if the person knows that the victim is engaged in a protest at the time
1.10 of the offense.

1.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2018, and applies to violations
1.12 committed on or after that date.

1.13 Sec. 2. **[609.2234] FELONY ASSAULT ON PROTESTER; INCREASED**
1.14 **STATUTORY MAXIMUM SENTENCE.**

1.15 A person who violates section 609.221, 609.222, or 609.223 is subject to a statutory
1.16 maximum penalty of 25 percent longer than the maximum penalty otherwise applicable if
1.17 the person knows that the victim is engaged in a protest at the time of the assault.

1.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2018, and applies to violations
1.19 committed on or after that date.