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Overview

This bill includes criminal justice related provisions proposed by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), including providing criminal penalties for the violation of certain invasive species laws, allowing DNR enforcement division employees to participate in incident data sharing, and continuing the use of silencers for wildlife control by certain DNR employees and others authorized by the commissioner.

Section

- 1 Criminal penalties.** Amends § 84D.13, subd. 3. Makes the transportation of aquatic macrophytes (prohibited under § 84D.09) a misdemeanor, similar to other invasive species related violations.
- 2 Definitions.** Amends § 299C.40, subd. 1. Adds the DNR's Enforcement Division to the list of entities included in the definition of "law enforcement agency" for purposes of participation in the Comprehensive Incident-Based Reporting System (CIBRS).
- 3 Silencers; authorized for law enforcement and wildlife control purposes.** Amends § 609.66, subd. 1h. Removes a sunset for a provision allowing the use of silencers for wildlife control purposes by certain DNR employees and others authorized by the commissioner of natural resources.