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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **502**

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; requiring petition for restoration of ability to possess
1.3 firearms by felon be made in court of conviction; amending Minnesota Statutes
1.4 2014, section 609.165, subdivision 1d.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 609.165, subdivision 1d, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 1d. **Judicial restoration of ability to possess firearm by felon.** A person
1.8 prohibited by state law from shipping, transporting, possessing, or receiving a firearm
1.9 because of a conviction or a delinquency adjudication for committing a crime of violence
1.10 may petition a the court to restore the person's ability to possess, receive, ship, or transport
1.11 firearms and otherwise deal with firearms. Application for relief under this subdivision
1.12 shall be made in the district court of the county in which the conviction or delinquency
1.13 adjudication occurred.

1.14 The court may grant the relief sought if the person shows good cause to do so and
1.15 the person has been released from physical confinement.

1.16 If a petition is denied, the person may not file another petition until three years have
1.17 elapsed without the permission of the court.

1.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2015.