



## HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

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| Bill:          | House File 625 (Formerly HF 155) | House Committee: | <b>PASSED</b> on March 2 (15-4) |
| Committee:     | Public Safety                    | House Floor:     |                                 |
| Floor Manager: | Rep. Rinker                      | Senate Floor:    |                                 |
| Date:          | March 20, 2023                   | Governor:        |                                 |
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### Mandatory Minimum Sentence- Felons in Possession of Firearms

- HF 625 sets mandatory minimum sentences for felons convicted for possessing a firearm
- **Fiscal Note** – HF 625 will increase estimated DOC costs by at least \$2.8 million for each group of individuals admitted. In FY 2022 there were 62 individuals sentenced to prison under current code and 204 sentenced to CBC's. HF 625 will require all of those individuals be sentenced to prison.

### Section by Section Analysis

#### Section 1 – Weapons- Possession, Receipt, Transportation, or Dominion and Control of Firearms, Offensive Weapons, and Ammunition by Felons and Others (724.26)

A person who has previously been convicted of a felony and has lost their firearms rights faces the following penalties for possession of a firearm in the future;

- First offense- Class D felony mandatory minimum two years
- Second offense- Class D felony mandatory minimum four years
- Third offense - Class C felony mandatory minimum seven years
- Fourth offense- Class C felony mandatory minimum 10 years

No deferred judgement or deferred sentencing or suspended sentencing is permitted under this code.

### Amendment Analysis