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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 901

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Public Safety and Criminal Justice Reform Finance and Policy Division

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to public safety; adding violations of domestic abuse no contact orders to
1.3 the list of conduct that can be admitted into evidence; amending Minnesota Statutes
1.4 2018, section 634.20.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 634.20, is amended to read:

1.7 634.20 EVIDENCE OF CONDUCT.

1.8 Evidence of domestic conduct by the accused against the victim of domestic conduct,
1.9 or against other family or household members, is admissible unless the probative value is
1.10 substantially outweighed by the danger of unfair prejudice, confusion of the issue, or
1.11 misleading the jury, or by considerations of undue delay, waste of time, or needless
1.12 presentation of cumulative evidence. "Domestic conduct" includes, but is not limited to,
1.13 evidence of domestic abuse, violation of an order for protection under section 518B.01;
1.14 violation of a harassment restraining order under section 609.748; violation of a domestic
1.15 abuse no contact order under section 629.75; or violation of section 609.749 or 609.79,
1.16 subdivision 1. "Domestic abuse" and "family or household members" have the meanings
1.17 given under section 518B.01, subdivision 2.

1.18 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.