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The Honorable Robert Vanasek
Speaker of the House
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SECRETARY OF STATE


Dear Mr. Speaker:

Today I have signed into law Chapter 270, House File 551/Senate File 212, which relates to public safety. This bill enacts some significant provisions to aid in our battle against the drunk driver.

Chapter 270 also contains an appropriation of \$164,000 for start up grants to counties for DWI repeat offender programs. While state support of worthy local initiatives of this kind is traditional, the fact that the Legislature has presented me an unbalanced budget requires that these funds, as authorized in Section 9a, be line-item vetoed. However, because of the need for DWI repeat offender efforts, I would hope counties would find it in their self-interest to begin such programs with local resources.

I have also line-item vetoed the \$50,000 appropriation at Section 9b of Chapter 270. This appropriation was intended for the University of Minnesota Law School to fund a DWI task force. Although it is worthwhile to learn all we can about DWI enforcement, we simply cannot afford this expenditure.

Sincerely,


ARNE H. CARLSON
Governor

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