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The Honorable Jerome M. Hughes
President of the Senate
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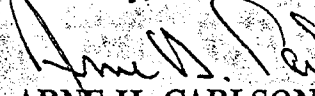
Dear President Hughes:

Today I have signed into law Chapter 302, Senate File 559/House File 552, a bill which provides financial incentives for ethanol production and a mandate for use of the product by 1995.

Chapter 302 also contains two General Fund appropriations which total \$240,000 for fiscal years 1992-93 which I have line-item vetoed. These appropriations for promotion and marketing of ethanol are on page 2, lines 26 through 36, and on page 3, lines 1 through 8.

In presenting my budget to the Legislature, I recommended elimination of this funding. It is unclear to me why we would need to promote and market a product where the State mandates its use. With this understanding, and the knowledge that the Legislature's proposed budget is not in balance, it is not appropriate to proceed with this type of expenditure.

Sincerely,


ARNE H. CARLSON
Governor

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Senator Duane Benson, Minority Leader
Senator David Fredrickson, Senate Chief Author
Representative Robert Vanasek, Speaker of the House
Representative Terry Dempsey, Minority Leader
Representative Doug Peterson, House Chief Author
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