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The Honorable Harry A. Sieben Speaker of the House of Representatives

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Returned to you herewith please find House File 1726. I strongly believe that the Commissioner of Education should remain as a member of the State University Board, and am therefore vetoing this piece of legislation.

The Commissioner, as the spokesman for elementary and secondary education in Minnesota, provides direct communication on behalf of that segment of our educational system to the Board during its deliberations and decision-making processes. The input which the Commissioner is able to provide by his presence on the State University Board can be important in developing educational policy for the State.

I recognize that the number of elementary and secondary teachers which is currently being trained at our State universities is declining. However, I also believe that there will be a time in the future when the need for teachers in our schools will increase.

I have no objection to the provisions contained in Section 3 of the bill. However, I feel so strongly that the Commissioner of Education should remain on the State University Board that I feel compelled to veto this legislation.

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