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The Honorable Allan H. Spear President of the Senate G-27 Capitol Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155

Dear President Spear:

I have vetoed and am returning Chapter 135, Senate File 1158/House File 1022, a bill relating to workers' compensation.

Chapter 135 is a step backwards from the reform efforts begun last year. This measure would actually increase costs an estimated \$60 million for Minnesota businesses.

I am disappointed that the first bill to reach my desk on this issue contains no reform and simply adds more costs to the present, inefficient system. The efforts of the 1992 legislature appear to have been forgotten by the 1993 legislature. Workers' compensation costs continue to increase. We need to finish the job we began last year.

I remain committed to fighting for true workers' compensation reform and am hopeful that I will be given the opportunity to sign such a measure before the close of the session.

Warmest regards,

ARNE H. CARLSON

Governor

cc: Senator Roger Moe, Majority Leader
Senator Dean Johnson, Minority Leader
Representative Dee Long, Speaker of the House
Representative Steve Sviggum, Minority Leader
Senator Steve Novak
Representative Tom Rukavina
Mr. Patrick Flahaven, Secretary of the Senate
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