

STATE OF MINNESOTA

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The Honorable Allan Spear President of the Senate 120 Capitol Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155

Dear President Spear:

I have vetoed and am returning Chapter 146, Senate File 868, a bill which would extend the sunset provision for the Minneapolis building contractors and remodelers licensure program.

In 1991, the Legislature passed a state licensure program for building contractors and remodelers. As a result of this legislation, Minneapolis and Saint Paul were to phase out their existing programs by March 31, 2000. The city of Minneapolis wishes to circumvent this commitment through this legislation.

Any advantages of a distinct licensure program by Minneapolis is greatly outweighed by the needless duplication inherent within such a parallel arrangement. Moreover, a unique licensure program could give unfair advantage to a certain group of building contractors and remodelers.

I can not support regulatory arrangements which are neither inclusive nor efficient in nature.

Warmest regards,

ARNE H. CARLSON

Governor

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