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The Honorable Irv Anderson  
Speaker of the House of Representatives  
The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Anderson:

I have vetoed and am returning Chapter 400, House File No. 2782, a bill that would allow for the establishment of an advisory council on intergovernmental relations.

The bill is unnecessary. The mission of the Office of Strategic and Long Range Planning includes the requirement that the office coordinate activities among all levels of government. The Board of Government Innovation and Cooperation's mission includes helping facilitate plans for innovative service delivery, improving cooperation between jurisdictions, and recommending legislation to eliminate mandates that inhibit efficiency. This is a clear case of duplication. If the Board of Government Innovation is not doing its job, then it should be eliminated as I recommended. But to simply create another council is absurd.

This administration is ready and willing to work with all levels of local government to plan for change, including those necessitated by federal actions. In fact various agencies are already engaged in such discussions with representatives of local government. There are sufficient existing mechanisms to accomplish the necessary dialogue between levels of government, and my administration would be happy to better facilitate the existing efforts.

Warmest regards,

ARNE H. CARLSON  
Governor

### MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby announce the passage by the Senate of the following House File, herewith returned, as amended by the Senate, in which amendment the concurrence of the House is respectfully requested:

H. F. No. 1844, A bill for an act relating to taxation; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article XIII, section 1; prohibiting financing of certain education costs with property taxes; changing the date for certification and payment of certain costs for purposes of property tax levies; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 270.52.

PATRICK E. FLAHAVEN, Secretary of the Senate

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby announce the passage by the Senate of the following Senate File, herewith transmitted:

S. F. No. 2691, A bill for an act relating to transportation; establishing transportation policy for the metropolitan area; requiring a performance audit of the metropolitan transportation system; expanding the metropolitan council's authority over metropolitan area highways; requiring the council to establish a community-based transit demonstration