



STATE OF MINNESOTA

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May 25, 2007

The Honorable Senator James Metzen
President of the Senate
322 State Capitol
75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155

Dear President Metzen:

I have vetoed and am returning Chapter 127, Senate File 463.

Under current law, the maximum fee a notary public may charge for specified services is \$1. This bill removes this cap on notary fee charges and creates a new limit that would allow a \$5 charge for each notary service. This is a 500 percent increase in the permissible fee for notary services. I would support a more reasonable fee increase, but a 500 percent increase is too large and could adversely impact businesses and individuals who require notarization of documents.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Pawlenty".

Tim Pawlenty
Governor

cc: Senator Lawrence J. Pogemiller, Majority Leader
Senator David Senjem, Minority Leader
Senator Don Betzold
Representative Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Speaker of the House
Representative Marty Seifert, Minority Leader
Representative Melissa Hortman
Mr. Patrick E. Flahaven, Secretary of the Senate
Mr. Al Mathiowetz, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives
Mr. Mark Ritchie, Secretary of State