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Chair Mathews
Senate Civil Law and Data Practices Policy Committee
Senate Office Building
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Chair Mathews and Committee Members,

Associated General Contractors of Minnesota (AGC of MN) is a non-profit, construction industry trade association that promotes opportunity and excellence in the building and highway construction industries through Minnesota. Our 400+ members include general contractors, specialty contractors, and affiliated businesses who work in the highway, heavy, and commercial construction markets, who routinely retain and work with design professionals, and who have a vested interest in legislation affecting construction standards, duties, and relationships.

AGC of MN appreciates the opportunity to engage and support SF 3850 (Johnson) which clarifies indemnity application when insurance coverage exists. The proposal is straightforward to redress potential confusion regarding the interplay between indemnification and liability insurance coverage, and the language in the bill is the product of collaborative conversations among trade partners including the American Council of Engineering Companies of Minnesota (ACEC/MN) to minimize potential unintended consequences. We greatly appreciate ACEC/MN's engagement and partnership throughout the process and fully support the clarifying language.

Thank you for your consideration of this bill and we ask for your support of SF 3850.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laura Ziegler". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Laura Ziegler
Director of Highway/Heavy and Government Affairs