

Minnesota Association of Townships



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Re: HF 2992/SF 2623

Dear Rob:

As the Executive Director of the Minnesota Association of Townships, I wanted to let you know that MAT acknowledges the need to fix a problem for tow vehicles which HF2992 & SF 2623 appear to do. The Association also wishes to express concern to our legislators about the many weight exemptions that our Legislature has passed without any additional funding to pay for damage done due to those exemptions.

We request the Legislature provide an annual \$20 million increase for township infrastructure.

Townships must avoid further reliance on local property taxes, thus protecting the public's safety and helping stimulate and sustain economic growth in the State. We support targeted investments where we can have the greatest impact.

Let me know if I can be of further assistance to you.

Sincerely,

Jeff Krueger
Executive Director