

## International Association of

## Bridge, Structural, Ornamental and Reinforcing IronWorkers

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Dear Chair Newman and Ranking Member Dibble:

On behalf of the members of Ironworkers Local Union #512, I write today in support of SF 3081 (Newman) and SF 3086 (Howe) as both proposals seek to statutorily dedicate revenue from the sales tax collected on auto parts to road and bridge construction. This will provide consistent and on-going funding for our state's transportation infrastructure and, in this time of surplus, will ensure these needs will not compete against other budget priorities.

The federal infrastructure bill provides a great opportunity to infuse funds into our system and we fully support releasing the state matching dollars required to unlock that money. We also need to have a dependable funding structure long-term to ensure the needs of our transportation system are not further neglected.

The members of Ironworkers #512 are some of the highest trained professionals in the world and, through our self-funded training program, our union is preparing the next generation of skilled professionals.

We thank Sen. Newman and Sen. Howe for their proposals and encourage all members to support.

Thank you,

**Barry Davies** 

**Business Manager and Financial Secretary** 

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