

March 7, 2023

TO: Senate Chair, Scott Dibble, and the Transportation Committee

RE: Senate File #843, Exempting Septic Tank Trucks From Vehicle Weight Limitations

I would like to state, that our septic tank servicing company is in full support of Senate File #843 exempting septic tank pumping trucks from the springtime vehicle weight limitations.

Passing Senate File #843 will:

- 1. Ensure that homeowners and businesses can receive the service needed in a timely manner, preventing a potentially unsafe or unsanitary condition in or on their property.
- 2. Eliminate the added financial hardship brought on by extra fees imposed by cities and counties for overweight permits.

The State of Minnesota is the ONLY state that does not exempt its septic tank pump trucks from vehicle weight limitations.

Thank you for considering this bill for inclusion in the Omnibus bill this legislative season.

Sincerely,

Keith Valento Co-Owner, Smilie's Sewer Service