Dear Chair Carlson & Members of the Committee,

I strongly support Senator Marty's SF567, a bill that includes a 7-year cooling off period for senators becoming lobbyists. This bill is extremely important to protect the integrity and confidence in our legislative process. Too many politicians leave office and begin immediately working as highly paid lobbyists, gaining unfair influence over laws and policies they once helped shape. Public office is not a stepping stone to private gain. I want to see strong reforms NOW that close this revolving door.

I urge the committee to support SF567.

Thank you for your time.

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