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Chair Xiong & Members of State and Local Government Committee Re: SF 1891 – Retailer contracts provisions modification

Greetings Mr. Chair and Members of the committee,

As Executive Director of the Minnesota Service Station & Convenience Store Association (MSSA) I am writing on behalf of our support of SF 1891. This bill provides clarification regarding which individuals, regardless of store size, are responsible for providing oversight of Minnesota Lottery tickets and must complete new FBI Background checks.

The language also clarifies for many of my members from small retail establishments which employees need a background check. This bill also makes it clear that employees without a connection to lottery ticket sales will not be required to have a background check.

This proposal mandates background checks for individuals authorized by retailers to oversee lottery sales in Minnesota. This bill also creates a new class of officers, directors and owners called "Responsible Lottery Officials" and clarifies their responsibilities.

Thank you for your consideration,

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