



April 4, 2025

TO: Chair Latz and Members of the Senate Judiciary and Public Safety Committee

RE: Support for SF 1701 (Duckworth)--Certain law enforcement training reimbursement funding extended.

Dear Chair Latz and Members of the Senate Judiciary and Public Safety Committee,

On behalf of the League of Minnesota Cities (LMC) and our 841 member cities, thank you for considering SF 1701, a bill that would provide base funding to reimburse costs related to training courses required under Minn. Stat. § 626.8452 (use of force), 626.8469 (training in crisis response, conflict management, and cultural diversity) and 626.8474 (autism training).

The League supports these training requirements and appreciates the state's previous financial commitment to assist local agencies with compliance. Without passage of SF 1701, the training will become an unfunded state mandate and a financial burden on local property taxpayers.

The League is aware of the state's fiscal condition and respectfully requests that this bill be a priority in the budget bill that will be advanced by the Judiciary and Public Safety Committee.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Anne Finn", written in dark ink.

Anne Finn
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