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Dear Members of the Senate Taxes Committee:

The Minnesota Chamber of Commerce represents over 6,300 businesses of all sizes and industries and over 500,000 employees in Minnesota. We advocate for public policies to strengthen Minnesota's business climate and to help grow Minnesota's economy.

We appreciate the opportunity to share our thoughts on Chair Rest's Senate File 1312.

Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) is a rapidly growing industry. According to the Energy Information Administration, production of SAF in the US was on pace to increase from 2,000 barrels per day to nearly 30,000 barrels per day over the course of 2024. And as the demand for SAF continues to grow – both domestically and internationally – Minnesota is well positioned to play a leading role in its development and production. Our robust agricultural sector and diverse resources, including cover crops, corn, and woody biomass residues provide options for a variety of SAF feedstocks.

SF 1312 helps further Minnesota's competitive advantage in developing SAF by increasing and extending the state's tax incentive to 2035. In addition, reforming our state's permitting process for SAF-related projects and other industries will increase the attractiveness Minnesota as a site for private sector investment and economic growth.

We want to thank Senator Rest for bringing SF 1312 forward and for leading on this important issue to ensure that Minnesota is able to achieve the maximum economic benefit from industry trends toward SAF.

Sincerely,

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