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Chair Rest, my name is Scott Vadnais, and I'm the President of the Minnesota Professional Firefighters. I represent over 2000 Firefighters, Paramedics, EMSs, and Dispatchers. I'm writing today to support S.F. 1028. We must give Fire Districts the same public funding that city fire departments receive through LGA. S.F.1028 is a lifeline for struggling Fire Districts that rely solely on funding paid through a local tax. This puts an unfair burden on the citizens and the Fire District. The citizens are the ones who suffer the most from this inequality. It is challenging for districts to make capital purchases or for ad staffing to keep up with call volume. This legislation would fix a wrong and may even encourage other fire districts in the future. Please consider this letter as the MPFF's full support of S.F.1028.

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