



March 19, 2025

Minnesota Senate  
Attn: Chair Anne Rest  
Room G-15 Capitol Building  
75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
Saint Paul, MN 55155

**RE: S.F. 2129**

Dear Chair Rest,

On behalf of the RV Industry Association (RVIA) and the National RV Dealers Association (RVDA), we appreciate the opportunity to share our perspective on S.F. 2129. While we support common-sense legislation aimed at protecting consumers and reducing exposure to PFAS in applicable consumer products, we have serious concerns with S.F. 2129 as currently drafted.

RVIA is the national trade association representing over 500 manufacturers and component and aftermarket suppliers who together build more than 98 percent of all recreation vehicles (RVs) produced in the United States. The RV industry contributes \$140 billion annually to the U.S. economy and supports 680,000 full-time American jobs. Specifically, in Minnesota, the RV industry contributes \$3 billion to state and local economies and supports over 15,000 jobs, with 857 businesses tied to different aspects of RVing including manufacturing, dealers and services, and recreation.

The RV Dealers Association (RVDA) is the only national organization solely dedicated to advancing the interests of RV retailers. Through education, advocacy, industry leadership, and market expansion initiatives, RVDA works to strengthen the RV retail sector and promote the RV lifestyle.

RVs are complex, durable goods composed of several essential components that may contain PFAS, including coatings for electrical systems, temperature-resistant gaskets, and fire suppressants. While our industry is committed to eliminating intentionally added PFAS in its products where possible, there remain unavoidable uses in critical applications where alternatives are not yet available. We recognize the importance of addressing contamination concerns in Minnesota, but a sweeping tax of this magnitude will not advance meaningful PFAS reduction efforts—it will only harm businesses, potentially leading to higher prices for consumers seeking to participate in the RV lifestyle, and negatively impact the economy that RVers help support

In its current form, RVIA and RVDA are opposed to S.F. 2129. We would appreciate the opportunity to work with you and the legislation's sponsors to develop feasible timelines and a phased approach focused on eliminating nonessential uses of harmful PFAS chemicals, rather than adopting a punitive tax structure. While we understand the concerns this bill seeks to address, a 50% tax on a \$100,000 complex durable good would financially cripple the RV industry and significantly impact Minnesota's economy.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. Please do not hesitate to contact Jason Rano at [jrano@rvia.org](mailto:jrano@rvia.org) or (571) 665-5874 if you have any questions or would like to discuss this further.

Sincerely,



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