



STATE OF MINNESOTA

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May 21, 2009

The Honorable Margaret Anderson Kelliher
Speaker of the House of Representatives
463 State Office Building
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

Dear Speaker Kelliher:

I have vetoed and am returning House File 2323, Chapter 179.

As I have made clear on repeated occasions, imposing \$1.018 billion in new taxes on Minnesota families and job providers is unacceptable during this difficult economic time. My opposition to these taxes has not changed since the previously vetoed tax bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Pawlenty".

Tim Pawlenty
Governor

cc: Senator James Metzen, President of the Senate
Senator Lawrence J. Pogemiller, Majority Leader
Senator David Senjem, Minority Leader
Senator Tom Bakk
Representative Marty Seifert, Minority Leader
Representative Ann Lenczewski
Mr. Peter S. Wattson, Secretary of the Senate (Legislative)
Mr. Al Mathiowetz, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives
Mr. Mark Ritchie, Secretary of State