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Representative Paul Marquart, Chair
House Tax Committee
597 State Office Building
Saint Paul, MN 55155

Chair Marquart and Tax Committee Members:

The Minnesota Inter-County Association (MICA) represents fifteen of Minnesota's larger and faster growing counties, including four suburban and 11 Greater MN counties.

On behalf of MICA member counties, I write to share our support for HF3827, Section 8, accelerating the first payment of County Program Aid (CPA) under Minn. Stat. § 477A.015 from July 20 to March 15 each year.

Created in 2003, CPA helps offset costs incurred to fulfill state mandates and reduce dependence on local property tax paid by homeowners, renters, and small businesses. Your proposal to accelerate payment of CPA will better assist county governments with cashflow planning and budget execution by more closely aligning and staggering CPA payments with May and October property tax revenue collection.

Thank you for authoring HF3827, and for your continued support for a strong and collaborative inter-governmental finance system that is essential for a strong and vibrant Minnesota.

Sincerely,



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