

April 9, 2024

The Honorable Representative Rehm, Chair Nelson and Members of the Labor and Industry Finance and Policy Committee

Re: Concerns about HF 3439 Electric Charging Infrastructure in all new homes

Dear Members,

The Builders Association of Minnesota is a statewide business association representing the home building industry. Our membership of nearly 1100 is made up of home builders, remodelers, developers, subcontractors, suppliers, realtors, financial institutions, and other industry-related businesses.

The Builders Association of Minnesota is the oldest statewide building association celebrating 50 years of serving the construction community. I am writing to express our concerns about HF 3439 which would require every new home to have an electric charging infrastructure.

Impact on Affordability:

The cost increase associated with such a mandate would impact the home buyers around the State. This infrastructure might never be used or become antiquated quickly as electric cars continue to evolve.

In this area, we believe that consumers should have to choose to put this into their new homes because electric cars are not feasible for all Minnesota residents

Thank you for considering our concerns. Sincerely,

Grace Keliher

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