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Sen. Champion, Rep. Hassan, Sen. McEwen, Rep. Nelson, Rep. Xiong,

We are writing to share our priorities in Senate File 3035, the Jobs / Workforce Development, Economic Development, and Labor budget and policy bill.

Within the Jobs / Workforce Development and Economic Development portion of the bill, we have three priorities. They are:

- We strongly support investing at least \$10,000,000 in FY 24-25 for the Community Energy Transition Grant Program (HF 1398 Hill / SF 1173 Hauschild). The transition to a more equitable and clean energy future is a way to protect the people and places we love. While these changes will include everyone, they won't impact everyone equally. In particular, Minnesota's host communities will be among those most affected by the change. This investment is one critical way to support those communities.
- We strongly support the \$3,000,000 investment in FY 24-25 in the Clean Equitable Workforce Program (HF 1939 Sencer-Mura) / SF 3082 Dibble). This is another way to ensure that everyone is included in Minnesota's clean energy transition. This investment will help prepare Minnesota's Black, Indigenous, and workers of color for careers of the future in areas like construction, clean energy, and energy efficiency.
- We strongly support increasing Minnesota's federal matching funds available through the Minnesota Climate Innovation Finance Authority (HF 2336 Greenman / SF 2301 Xiong) and the State Competitiveness Fund (HF1656 Acomb / SF1622 Frentz).

Within the Labor portion of the bill we have one priority.

- We support the Commercial Energy Code Improvements and their related staffing costs. Please invest \$146k in FY 24 to ensure this update is managed effectively. Please pass the language in either this or the Environment and Climate omnibus, where it is coming to conference from the House side.
- Thank you to the House, Senate, and Walz-Flanagan administration for including language and appropriations related to Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure, Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency, Expanding Equity In Apprenticeship, and Growing Clean Economy Apprenticeships.

Thank you for all your work creating a better Minnesota,

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