



February 8, 2022

Dear Rep. Sandra Masin, Chair, and Members of the Local Government Division:

Metro Cities, representing the collective interests of cities in the metropolitan area, appreciates the opportunity to comment on HF 2618 (Hansen) that is being heard in the Local Government Division on Wednesday.

Several cities in the metropolitan area have ordinances that allow conversion of turf-grass lawn to native landscapes. Metro Cities recognizes the benefits of lawn conversions to pollinator insects and supports state funding for the Lawns to Legumes program. However, Metro Cities believes that these decisions are best made at the local level, and should not be imposed through state law that would impede local decision making in these areas.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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