

MINNESOTA POLICE AND PEACE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

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To: Chair Ginny Klevorn, Lead Jim Nash and members of the House State and Local Government Finance and Policy Committee

RE: Support of HF1600 (Tabke) Pattern Bargaining Precluded for Law Enforcement Officers

On behalf of the Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association (MPPOA), I write to express our full support for HF1600.

As the largest association representing public safety professionals in Minnesota, we recognize the significance of this bill. The proposed legislation requires the Minnesota Commissioner of Management and Budget to negotiate compensation with state law enforcement associations utilizing the most recent salary and benefit survey data conducted by the Office of the Legislative Auditor pursuant to Minnesota Statues, Section 299D.03, subdivision 2a.

The bill seeks to guarantee that state law enforcement officers are given appropriate compensation that aligns with their duties and responsibilities. This would enhance the recruitment and retention of public safety professionals.

We strongly endorse this bill and urge the committee to pass it. We believe that its implementation will not only benefit our members, but also improve public safety and the overall well-being of our communities. Thank you for considering our input on this crucial matter.

Sincerely,

Brian Peters
Executive Director

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