

HF2134 Support from the Minnesota Beer Wholesalers:

My name is Russ Goldstein. I've spent 37 years working in the Beer Wholesale Business in Minnesota. My folks owned a Budweiser Wholesaler in Glencoe where I worked for 9 years. I also worked for Wholesalers in the Twin Cities and Sauk Rapid and Brainerd.

The Beer Wholesalers rely on CDL Drivers to get their beer to market. And that is just one of the many industries that need CDL drivers. In the last few years finding CDL Drivers has become more and more challenging. For multiple reasons fewer people are interested in acquiring a CDL.

Representative Ron Kresha's bill that seeks funding for simulators in High Schools so students get the opportunity to test their driving skills at the level of a CDL is a great idea and will get more people interested in acquiring these licenses. I thank Rep. Kresha for authoring this bill and hope the House, Senate and Governor will strongly consider voting Yes and signing it.

Respectfully Submitted,
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