

RE: HF 2656/SF2673

The American Property Casualty Insurance Association (APCIA) represents insurers which write over 60 percent of all workers' compensation insurance provided to MN businesses.

We urge you to **oppose HF 2656/SF 2673** in their present forms as these bills mandate a retroactive extension of coverage without provisions for the assessment and collection of appropriate premiums to be used to pay for the claims likely to result.

Instead, we understand the highly regarded MN Workers' Compensation Advisory Council (MN WCAC) is scheduled to meet soon to address further issues regarding workers' compensation coverage for employees who are exposed to and who contract strains of the COVID-19 virus.

We urge the committee to be guided instead by the recommendations of the WCAC rather than proceeding with either HB 2656 or SF 2673.

Thanks for your consideration.

If you have questions, please contact:

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