



March 3, 2026

Dear Chair Koznick, Chair Tabke, and Members of the Transportation Committee:

Metro Cities, representing the collective interests of cities in the metropolitan area, appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on HF 3513 (Koznick) that is being heard in the Transportation Committee on Wednesday.

Metro Cities respectfully opposes Section 17 of the bill that would prohibit cities from imposing any local regulations regarding the operation of autonomous vehicles, automated driving systems, and on-demand vehicle networks. Emerging and future transportation technologies such as these have potentially significant implications for local public safety, local public service levels, and the general management of the public right-of-way. Metro Cities supports authorizing local officials to regulate and establish fees on these transportation modes.

Cities stand ready to work with committee members, MnDOT, and other stakeholders to find appropriate places to strengthen the role of local governments in this bill as it continues to be worked on this legislative session.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael Lund". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mike Lund
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