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The Honorable Ginny Klevorn
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The Honorable Jim Nash
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Dear Co-Chair Nash, Co-Chair Klevorn and Committee members,

Minnesota IT Services is pleased to write today in support of House File 3860, which extends the expiration date for the Legislative Commission on Cybersecurity to Dec. 31, 2035. Extending the Cybersecurity Commission ensures this critical forum for collaboration remains in place to address the state's most pressing cybersecurity threats.

Through MNIT's work securing state systems, as well as partnerships with private sector experts and local governments via the Technology Advisory Council and Cybersecurity Task Force, MNIT sees firsthand the persistent and evolving cybersecurity threats targeting the services Minnesotans rely on every day. Our long-standing collaboration with the Legislative Commission on Cybersecurity and other legislative partners demonstrates the value of working together to address these challenges and develop solutions.

The Cybersecurity Commission has responded quickly to understand new cyber incidents and embarked on intentional study of statewide cybersecurity issues. Its work and feedback have helped guide MNIT on key initiatives, including the launch of Minnesota's Whole-of-State Cybersecurity Plan and implementation of the Cybersecurity Incident Reporting law enacted in December 2024.

MNIT remains committed to continuing our partnership with the Commission, the Legislature, and the broader public-sector community to address statewide cybersecurity challenges and strengthen our cyber resiliency across Minnesota. Extending the Cybersecurity Commission's sunset reflects the legislative recognition of the critical nature of this work and supports a coordinated, statewide approach to protecting residents, public services, and critical infrastructure from evolving cyber threats.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Israel', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

John Israel

Assistant Commissioner and Chief Information Security Officer