

Wednesday, February 26th, 2025

Chair Koznick and members of the House Transportation Finance and Policy Committee,

My name is Cale Dunwoody, and I have the distinct pleasure of serving as the Vice President of Public Policy for the Fargo Moorhead West Fargo Chamber of Commerce (FMWF Chamber). On behalf of our over 1,700 members, I respectfully offer testimony in support of H.F. 376, relating to the repeal of the Clean Cars Rules.

At the FMWF Chamber, our mission is to protect and promote business, inspire individuals, cultivate communities, and influence action. We stand in opposition to draconian vehicle emission standards adopted by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA), which are based on the emission standards set by the California Air Resource Board (CARB). While we respect the intent to reduce pollution, Minnesota can maintain a healthy environment without overregulation and mandates on businesses.

Minnesotans know what is best for Minnesota. Regulations relating to emission standards must be made locally, encompassing diverse dialogue and discussions amongst the public and business community. If the MPCA were to adopt the updated CARB standards, there would be a state-wide ban on the sale of new combustion engine-powered vehicles by 2035. Regulations of this magnitude cannot be considered without judicious legislative review and public input from Minnesotans.

Moreover, we encourage you to SUPPORT HF 376 to repeal the MPCA's Clean Cars Rules.

Sincerely,

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