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**RE: HF 962 (Novotny) – *Brady-Giglio* lists**

Dear Chair Novotny, Chair Moeller, and Members of the House Public Safety Finance and Policy committee:

On behalf of our 842 member cities, the League of Minnesota Cities appreciates the opportunity to provide this testimony on HF 962. The League, together with the Minnesota Association of City Attorneys, an affiliate organization dedicated to supporting high-quality legal advice and representation for cities, take an interest in legislation that governs city prosecutors' constitutional obligations and collectively bargained for terms and conditions of city employment. There are approximately 400 municipal police departments in Minnesota that employ licensed peace officers. These employment relationships are often governed by Collective Bargaining Agreements, and all are subject to public labor laws. We are concerned that legislation of this type may conflict with existing legal frameworks of law enforcement labor agreements including the handling of personnel data (Minn. Stat. Ch. 13), contractual grievance processes (Minn. Stat. Ch. 179A), and POST Board discipline rules for *Brady-Giglio* related conduct.

Codification of this kind involves fundamental constitutional rights that warrants deeper, structured study and the inclusion of all stakeholders. The *Brady* and *Giglio* cases uphold defendants' Constitutional rights to a fair trial by requiring prosecutors to disclose credibility-related evidence. City prosecutions are carried out in different ways, including by in-house city prosecutors, by contracted prosecutors, or in partnership with county attorney offices. City attorneys also advise their police departments and are involved in any city-county disputes over what qualifies as *Brady-Giglio* information involving a city officer. Because cities, prosecutors, and law enforcement share responsibility for identifying, analyzing, and disclosing *Brady-Giglio* material, we request to be included in any taskforce examining the matter.

The League and City Attorneys look forward to working with you as this legislation advances.

Sincerely,

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