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Mr. Robert Vanasek  
Speaker of the House  
Minnesota House of Representatives  
463 State Office Building  
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have vetoed and am returning to you Chapter 145, House File 1405/Senate File 1245, a bill modifying State policy governing distribution of funds collected by charitable organizations. Specifically, House File 1405 lowers the standard for combined charitable organizations to qualify for state employee payroll deductions.

Under current law, an organization must distribute at least 70 percent of total collected income to its member charities in order to participate in the State employee payroll deduction campaign. This bill would require that 70 percent of the money raised from the State employee campaign be distributed to groups supported by the soliciting organization. In other words, there would be no standard for the soliciting organization's use of funds raised from other sources.

The State has maintained a high standard for charitable organizations. This standard serves the beneficiaries of the charitable campaigns well and it protects the interests of State employees. I do not believe it is wise for us to back away from this position.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Arne H. Carlson".

ARNE H. CARLSON  
Governor

c: Senator Roger Moe, Majority Leader  
Senator Allan Spear, Senate Chief Author  
Senator Jerome Hughes, President of the Senate  
Representative Richard Jefferson, House Chief Author  
Mr. Patrick E. Flahaven, Secretary of the Senate  
Mr. Edward A. Burdick, Chief Clerk of the House  
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