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May 9, 1994

The Honorable Irv Anderson
Speaker of the House of Representatives
The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Anderson:

I have vetoed and am returning Chapter 593, H. F. No. 1918, a bill relating to the bureau of business licenses.

Executive Order 93-3 required the Department of Trade and Economic Development (DTED) to conduct a feasibility study of improvements in business licensing. The goal is one-stop licensing for all business-related licenses and permits. This study is due in January, 1995 and I believe it would be premature to sign legislation in this area without the benefit of these recommendations.

In addition, this measure misrepresents the current authority and activity of the bureau of business licenses by implying that actual licenses are available by application to the bureau. In reality, license authority remains in other state agencies and the bureau provides information and assistance. Finally, there is a significant cost to implement this bill which represents a fiscal tail best dealt with in a regular budget year.

I look forward to working with the legislature after the DTED study is completed.

Warmest regards,

ARNE H. CARLSON
GovernorSTATE OF MINNESOTA
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Dear Speaker Anderson:

I have vetoed and am returning Chapter 594, H. F. No. 2171, a bill relating to affordable housing.

Chapter 594 is in large part identical to Chapter 234, which I vetoed last year. Like last year's bill, Chapter 594 would require the Met Council to establish "comprehensive choice housing allotments" for cities and towns throughout the metro region. The Council is already in the process of conducting an affordable housing survey. This bill's allotments, or quotas, would only serve to create a mechanism through which penalties could be imposed upon those communities that fail to meet the Council's mandates. Penalties are inappropriate, as are unnecessary legislative mandates such as this.