



STATE OF MINNESOTA

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May 30, 2018

The Honorable Warren Limmer
President Pro Tem of the Senate
Room 3221, Minnesota Senate Building
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

RE: Chapter 197, Senate File 3463

Dear Senator Limmer:

I have vetoed and am returning Chapter 197, Senate File 3463, a bill relating to public safety.

Although this bill is called an act of public safety, its contents would have the opposite effect. I will not support a bill that potentially holds Minnesotans responsible for other people's actions with which they had no direct involvement.

Regarding critical infrastructure, Minnesota's laws already address criminal activity and liability. The following statutes are clear; this proposed law is not.

- **Minnesota Statute 609.6055:** Trespass on Critical Public service facility; utility; or pipeline
- **Minnesota Statute 609.594:** Damage to property of critical public service facilities, utilities, and pipelines
- **Minnesota Statute 609.05:** Liability for crimes of another

Those statutes are sufficient to protect the public safety, while still respecting the First Amendment rights of members of that public.

Sincerely,



Mark Dayton
Governor

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cc: Senator Paul E. Gazelka, Senate Majority Leader
Senator Thomas M. Bakk, Senate Minority Leader
Senator Paul J. Utke, Minnesota Senate
Representative Kurt Daudt, Speaker of the House
Representative Melissa Hortman, House Minority Leader
Representative Dennis Smith, House of Representatives
The Honorable Steve Simon, Secretary of State
Mr. Cal R. Ludeman, Secretary of the Senate
Mr. Patrick Murphy, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives
Mr. Paul Marinac, Revisor of Statutes