Dear Sir:

I am returning without my signature, S.F. No. 1932, a bill relating to exemption of certain gasoline tanks from hazardous materials regulations. This bill would have created safety hazards. The bill would have exempted private transporters of up to 350 gallons of gasoline, diesel fuel, or aviation fuel from complying with federal safety standards enforced by the state. Exemptions from standards governing thickness of the tanks, emergency venting, and overturn protection could have endangered the driver, fire fighters, other emergency personnel and the traveling public.

Transportation safety standards need to be uniformly enforced to ensure the protection of our citizens. Therefore, I am vetoing this bill and returning it to you.

Sincerely,
Rudy Perpich, Governor

May 4, 1988

The Honorable Jerome M. Hughes
President of the Senate