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The Honorable Jerome Hughes
President of the Senate
State of Minnesota
328 State Capitol
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155

Dear Mr. President:

Today I have signed into law Chapter 179, Senate File 510/House File 1340, a bill relating to agriculture, specifically egg handlers and the proper preparation of eggs for retail sale.

Additionally, Chapter 179 carries a \$10,000 General Fund appropriation and directive to the Department of Agriculture to conduct a survey of meat handlers to determine their interest in starting a state meat inspection program. This appropriation, contained in Section 17 of the bill, along with Section 16 which describes the survey, I have line-item vetoed.

With the Legislature's proposed budget not in balance, funds are not available for this type of expenditure. If the Department of Agriculture considers this a necessary and critical project, it will have to be funded within the existing base budget.

Sincerely,

ARNE H. CARLSON
Governor

- c: Representative Robert Vanasek, Speaker of the House
- Representative Jeff Bertram, House Chief Author
- Representative Terry Dempsey, Minority Leader
- Senator Roger Moe, Majority Leader
- Senator Charlie Berg, Senate Chief Author
- Senator Duane Benson, Minority Leader
- Mr. Patrick E. Flahaven, Secretary of the Senate
- Mr. Edward A. Burdick, Chief Clerk of the House
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