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## STATE OF MINNESOTA

Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State Steve Simon

The Honorable Senator Richard Cohen

The Honorable Senator Michelle Fischbach

The Honorable Senator Tom Saxhaug

The Honorable Senator Roger Chamberlain

The Honorable Representative Sarah Anderson

The Honorable Representative Sheldon Johnson

The Honorable Representative Jim Knoblach

The Honorable Representative Lyndon Carlson

Dear Chairs and Ranking Members:

Minnesota statutes, section 5.38 provides in part: .

The secretary of state may enter into agreements with a local governmental unit to provide a technological service or project to enhance the state's election system. The secretary of state and the local governmental unit shall agree to the amount of consideration to be paid under the agreement. In addition, the secretary of state may accept federal funds for election purposes.

The Office of Secretary of State is required to report each January 15 "total amounts received in the preceding calendar year, the sources of those funds, and the uses to which those funds were or will be put." Minn. Stat. § 5.38. As required by section 5.38, the Office of Secretary of State reports that it did not apply for, accept or receive any grant or other funds authorized by section 5.38 in calendar year 2015.

Sincerely.

**JULIE STROTHER** 

Director of Government Relations

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