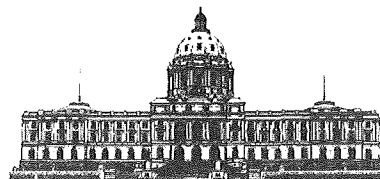


Jeremy R. Miller

State Senator
Minnesota's 28th District

June 6, 2016



Senate

State of Minnesota

Governor Mark Dayton
116 Veterans Services Building
20 W 12th Street
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Governor Dayton,

As we arrive at the final day for you to sign the tax bill into law, I am writing to strongly encourage you to sign the bill which passed the legislature with strong bipartisan support. To the best of my knowledge, all legislative leaders have agreed to correct the inadvertent errors which have rightfully caused you and others concern.

This isn't a Democrat or Republican tax bill; this is a bipartisan tax bill that provides substantial relief for college students, low and middle income families, veterans, farmers, and small businesses. The bill also includes funding increases for Local Government Aid (LGA) and County Program Aid (CPA). Finally, it includes a new tax credit for those people living in Minnesota, but working in Wisconsin.

I am not interested in participating in the political rhetoric which tends to dominate the conversations at the Capitol. Instead, I prefer to get things done for the people we represent. We don't always agree with each other on the issues, but I respect you as a person and as the Governor of our great state. Let's show Minnesotans that Democrats and Republicans can in fact work together in the best interest of the state by making the tax bill law and convening for special session. As always, I will make myself available to anyone, Democrat or Republican, who is willing to work together toward building a reasonable, bipartisan, long-term transportation package, and bonding bill that could pass in a special session.

Finally, as we look forward to the 2017 legislative session, I would like to request your partnership on a proposal put forth earlier this session by the Senate Purple Caucus to set a new 4th deadline which would require conference committee reports to be posted for a minimum of one week prior to the end of session. This would allow members of the Legislature, the Administration, and the public to have the opportunity to read and digest the information. This is an important reform that would drastically increase transparency and inclusiveness in the final days of our legislative sessions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Miller', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Senator Jeremy Miller