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May 2, 1994

Honorable Irv Anderson
Speaker of the House
Minnesota House of Representatives
463 State Office Building
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155

Dear Speaker Anderson:

I have vetoed and am returning Chapter 543, House File Number 2135, a bill relating to pets in manufactured home parks.

If enacted, Chapter 543 would force all manufactured home parks to allow their senior residents to keep pets. While I support senior citizens' rights to keep and enjoy pets, we must also be respectful of those seniors and other manufactured home park residents who have chosen to live in pet-free environments.

Currently, some manufactured home parks allow residents to keep pets, and others do not. Seniors can choose to reside at either. Under the proposed law, the option would be eliminated; all manufactured home parks would be forced to allow pets.

While I appreciate the humanitarian intent of this bill, I cannot sign into law a bill that would unreasonably infringe on the rights of manufactured home park owners to provide, and residents to secure, pet-free living environments.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Arne H. Carlson".

ARNE H. CARLSON
Governor

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Senator Dean Johnson, Senate Minority Leader
Representative Steve Sviggum, House Minority Leader
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