

**SB 519** changes certain rules regarding golf carts and other motorized carts. The language of a late amendment to the bill, however, has the unintended effect of requiring every person who drives a golf cart to have a drivers' license. Although that consequence was not intended by the legislature, the language of the bill is plain and cannot be disregarded. As our Supreme Court has recognized, plain statutory language is "the sole evidence of the ultimate legislative intent." *Hollowell v. Jove*, 247 678, 681 (1981); *see also I.N.S. v. Cardoza-Fonseca*, 480 421, 452-453 (1987) (Scalia, J., concurring) ("Where the language of [a law] is clear, we are not free to replace it with an unenacted legislative intent."). I have discussed the devastating impact this bill would have on communities with substantial investments in golf cart paths such as with Rep. Matt Ramsey and Sen. Ronnie Chance. I support the original intent of the bill and encourage legislators to revisit the issue next session without the language in question, and so I **VETO SB 519**.