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State Senator Hansen
c/o Madalyn Holyfield

Dear Senator Hansen,

The City of Marquette Waterfront Safety Program is in complete support of your SB 265. We have many beachfront lifesaving stations and devices installed upon our 11 miles of beachfront. While we check this equipment usually, daily, there are times that we are engaged in other mission essential activities, and may miss a day or two. We do not feel that the City of Marquette should bear the legal brunt because vandals or thieves steal or misuse these devices.

We support the protections and immunities as proposed in your bill. We also strongly support penalties associated with the theft or misuse of these important, potentially lifesaving devices.

Thank you for supporting Great Lakes waterfront safety. Please count on us for strong support in your laudable endeavors.

Sincerely,

Tom Belt, City of Marquette Fire Chief and liaison to the Marquette Waterfront Safety Task Force