Support Liability Relief for Certified Salt Applicators & Small Businesses while protecting Minnesota’s water resources

Currently landscape professionals and others perform snow and ice removal during winter months using anti-slip/de-icing products to protect the public from injury.

Over-application of chloride-based products is detrimental to our waterways, but applicators are often pressured to apply more product than necessary or ideal to meet demands from their clients to minimize slips & falls on the owners’ property. These demands and concerns about potential litigation lead to applicators having few options other than over-application of product which results in water pollution. Even when these applicators follow best practices, they may still face litigation threats.

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency currently provides training for salt applicators to learn best practices to significantly reduce the use of chlorides while maintaining safety. This proposed legislation connects anti-slip/anti-ice application best management practices to liability protections for salt professionals and their clients—the small business owners across the State of Minnesota—to avoid uncontrollable circumstances and unexpected litigation costs while protecting the public’s safety and the health of Minnesota’s waterways.

This common-sense legislation provides liability exemption for salt applicators who have completed certified training available through the PCA as well as to their clients, the property owner, occupant or lessee of the land maintained by these salt applicators.

The organizations, businesses and associations shown below join together to urge the Minnesota Legislature to take quick action in 2018 to pass this common-sense legislation which benefits not only struggling small business owners, but our 10,000 lakes, rivers and streams by preventing unnecessary chloride runoff and further irreparable damage to our vital Minnesota waterways.

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