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**Subject: HB1544**

Chairman Beltz and Members of the House Ag Committee:

It has come to my attention that HB1544 is a bill for consideration.

I strongly urge a DO NOT PASS on HB1544.

My reason for this opinion is that if enacted it would require water boards or the DWR to get involved in personal disputes **whether they have merit or not**. The water boards and DWR have enough on their plate as is and should not get more involved in personal disputes.

IF ONE PARTY FEELS AGRIEVED BY ANOTHER PARTY, SETTLE IT IN CIVIL COURT.

Thank you for your consideration of my request for a DO NOT PASS on HB1544.

Respectfully,

Eric Larson