



In Opposition of Senate Bill 2299  
Senate Energy & Natural Resources Committee

February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Section 1&2:

R&T Water District already participates in an annual audit at a cost of \$28,000, which exceeds the once every 2 year requirement. We are asking the threshold to be increased from 150 to 300 members. It would be 10% or 300, whichever is fewer. A higher threshold is needed to protect members from unwarranted costs associated with the State coming in and conducting an audit or review of the books, records, and financial accounts as a result of a petition. A petitioned audit would be a waste of resources for R&T Water District and our members.

Section 3, Subsection 3:

R&T Water District would like subsection 3 of section 3 removed. Elections and nominating committee requirements are already addressed in the by-laws of the district. The requirements would cause a hardship for our district to adhere to.

Section 4: Subsection 4

R&T Water District supports striking subsection 4 or at a minimum removing the word “engage” out of the language. R&T Water District welcomes observation, but does not support an engagement that can turn an election into chaos.

Section 5:

R&T Water District supports striking this from the bill. There is not an emergency that warrants this to be fast tracked.

Thank you,

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