

Sent: Friday, April 12, 2013 11:00 AM

To: Sen Dingfelder; Sen Hansell; Sen Hass; Sen Bates; Sen Olsen; Reiley Beth

Subject: Senate Bills 217 & 401

Senators & Administrator,

Please defeat these two ill-thought-out bills!

SB-217 is way to shift a government entity expenses and expenditures out from under the peoples ability to control/limit it to only the department administrator. This will of course reduce the general fund requirements and allow the legislature to spend it elsewhere (not reduce our taxes). The Water Resources Department does not appear to accomplish anything other than record keeping and answering the phone. As you can tell I'm not a big fan this Department, as the few times that I have visited them the only thing that they have done is hand me the book that had my water right in and let me look it up and answer what they thought was my succession. This bill could cost me \$300 – \$500 depending on how it's interpreted for which I will receive no additional information or assistance, just a bill.

SB-401, even though it does not affect me directly, it is obviously an attempt to reduce the value of ag-land without compensation. It would appear to be driven by the environmental community without thought to it's economic impact.

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