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Honorable Representatives,

I am writing to ask you to vote "No" on SB 181A. I am a Grange member, and all our work is volunteer. We work very hard to create community-supportive programs of many kinds.

SB 181A creates an undue burden for small nonprofits, especially local Granges, by making them file an annual return with their local county assessor in order to keep their property tax exemption connected to their charitable work.

If our small, all-volunteer Grange forgets to file—even for a few months—they lose their exemption, and have to pay back taxes for the 5 previous years.

The bill is unnecessary because the assessors will collect information collected annually by other government agencies.

Thank you for voting NO on SB 181A.

Best regards,
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