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HB 2851 would authorize the Water Resources Department to require reporting of water measurement use throughout the state. The cost of installing water measurement on my farm will cost me thousands of dollars. The producers of agriculture commodities are **price takers**. We cannot pass this added costs to consumers. The price we receive for our product is determined by the commodities markets. This added cost will reduce the already slim margin I receive. Modifying natural water systems to measure water would negatively impact the wetland qualities of each system. Irrigators in local communities have been managing water with the tools available for years and a state-wide mandate to install costly and burdensome measurement devices will not solve any problem. We already pay a water master to regulate our water.

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