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On Behalf

Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and

Water

Measure: HB3195

Chair Helm, Vice-Chair Hartman and Owens, and members of the Committee.

I am writing to express my strong support for HB3195, which modifies the definition of "public agency" for the purposes of eligibility for financial assistance from the Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund. I believe this bill is a crucial step towards protecting our natural resources and ensuring that all public agencies, regardless of their authority to construct water pollution control facilities, are able to access the financial assistance they need to do so.

As someone who is deeply committed to environmental conservation and sustainable development, I understand the importance of ensuring that our water resources are protected and preserved for future generations. This bill will help to achieve that goal by expanding access to the Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund to a broader range of public agencies, including those that may not have the authority to construct water pollution control facilities but are still working to improve water quality in their communities.

This bill aligns with the values of my district, which places a high value on protecting our natural resources, promoting public health, and supporting local agencies in their efforts to make our community a better place to live.

I urge you to support this bill and to take action to ensure that all public agencies have the financial resources they need to protect our water resources and build a more sustainable future.