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Testimony in support of HB 2665
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Chairman Sloan and fellow members of the Water & Environment Committee, thank you for the opportunity to spend a few moments to talk about HB 2665. This bill would establish a water law study commission, it was introduced as one of the outcomes of last fall's interim committee on natural resources. It has been many years since a comprehensive study has been undertaken, and over the year's there have been several challenges and changes to Western Water Law.

House leadership created this committee, because water is a priority to the prosperity of the state on many levels. As we look to find answers, this would be a good start. Let's have a panel of water law specialist and key stakeholders thoroughly review what is working and what is not, what is necessary and what is not and what we need and what we do not.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman, I will stand for questions at the appropriate time.