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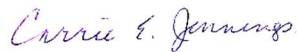
Dear Chair Hawj and Committee Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on SF1682, the Senate Legacy Omnibus Bill.

Freshwater is very pleased to see that the bill accepts the recommendations put forward by the Clean Water Council. The Council engages in a very deliberative, nearly year-long process to develop their Clean Water Fund budget recommendations. This process has only grown to be more strategic and thoughtful over the past few budget cycles, considering programmatic alignment, tradeoffs, and impacts of funding decisions. At the same time, stakeholder involvement in and transparency of that process has also increased.

As you finalize your Legacy budget, we want to extend our appreciation for your support for the Clean Water Council's process and recommendations.

Sincerely,



Carrie Jennings, Research and Policy Director,  
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