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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1340 without my signature.

This bill requires a local permit for installation of large stand-alone landscaping irrigation systems.

The existing Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance program offers local governments a multitude of options to address water conservation in irrigated landscapes.

I have asked the Department of Water Resources and the State Water Resources Control Board to develop a permanent framework for water use reduction targets. This type of landscape permit will be considered in that framework.

Sincerely,

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