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DATE: May 27, 2008  
TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE ASSEMBLY  
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**RE: AB 2866 (DeLeon) Solid Waste: Disposal Fees**

The Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) is composed of approximately 7000 public and private sector solid waste management professionals throughout North America dedicated to the development and enhancement of environmentally and economically sound practices and policies for the integrated management of municipal solid waste. There are approximately 900 members of SWANA in California, and on their behalf I am writing to regretfully OPPOSE AB 2866, regarding solid waste disposal fees.

The current "tipping fee" is \$1.40 per ton and is solely used to fund a variety of activities by the Waste Board to assist in reducing or managing the disposal of waster throughout the State. AB 2866 would require the board to establish the amount of the fee in an amount not exceeding \$2 per ton and would require \$0.60 of that fee to be deposited by the State Board of Equalization in the Solid Waste Mitigation Account, which this bill would create in the fund. These fees would be distributed into 4 different sub accounts, none of which are specifically related to landfills.

SWANA does not support landfill tip fee increases to pay for programs that are typically funding other industries or actions not specifically related to landfills.

For these reasons, the California Chapters of SWANA regretfully must OPPOSE this measure and respectfully request your "NO" vote on this bill.