

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 20, 2023



for the  
**Washington State**  
House of Representatives

The Environmental Priorities Coalition is a coalition of over twenty-five leading environmental groups who lobby in Olympia on a regular basis and organize around a set of priority bills each legislative session. As in the past, we will be sending you this weekly "Hot List" to assist you in your efforts to promote this common agenda.

Please feel free to contact Clifford Traisman (Washington Conservation Action, previously known as Washington Environmental Council & Washington Conservation Voters) at [clifford@ctassociates.org](mailto:clifford@ctassociates.org) if you have any questions regarding our positions on any bills affecting the environment, not just those found on the Hot List each week. The Hot List can also be found [here](#). Thank you.

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## House Floor Action



Possible House Floor  
Vote

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## House Committee Action



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*House Committee on Appropriations: Public Hearing, Tuesday, 2/21. Executive Action, 2/23*

**HB 1110: Increasing middle housing in areas traditionally dedicated to single-family detached housing.**

- Requires all cities between 25,000-75,000 to allow duplexes on all lots and 4plexes around community amenities
- Requires all cities over 75,000, as well as cities within a contiguous UGA of a city over 200,000, to allow 4-plexes on all lots and 6-plexes with 2 affordable



The WRAP Act



*House Committee on Appropriations: Executive Action, Thursday 2/23*

**HB 1131: The WRAP Act: Improving Washington's solid waste management outcomes.**

- One of four [environmental community priorities](#) for 2023
- Modernizes Washington's recycling system, including incorporating a beverage redemption system and post-consumer recycled content mandates.
- Reduces excess packaging, increases recycling, refill and reuse, creates a uniform recycling list, and reduces costs for local governments and ratepayers.



*House Committee on Transportation: Public Hearing, Monday, 2/20*

**SHB 1229: Updating processes related to voter registration.**

- Provides automatic voter registration when a person seeks a driver's license, making voter registration more accessible.



*House Committee on Capital Budget: Public Hearing, Monday, 2/20*

**SHB 1365: Improving Puget Sound water quality.**

- Improves transparency and public availability of information on wastewater discharges into Puget Sound.



**HB 1391: Concerning energy in buildings.**

*House Committee on Appropriations: Public Hearing, Tuesday, 2/21*

- Establishes an energy navigator program as a resource for residential and small commercial building owners and tenants looking to improve their energy use and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- The energy navigator service would facilitate finding energy audit services, identifying contractors, and assist with securing financing for appropriate programs. It also requires community outreach to ensure clear education on funding opportunities.



*House Committee on Appropriations: Public Hearing, Monday, 2/20*

**HB 1392: Promoting the fair servicing and repair of digital electronic equipment**

- Would require digital electronic product manufacturers to make repair information, parts and tools available to independent repair businesses and owners.
- Extending the life of computers, tablets and cellphones will decrease the need for more resources, energy and transportation to manufacture new products – therefore also decreasing greenhouse gas as well as lowering costs to consumers.



*House Committee on Capital Budget: Public Hearing, Monday, 2/20*

**HB 1740: Concerning eligibility, enrollment, and compensation of small forestland owners volunteering for participation in the forestry riparian easement program.**

- Weakens protections of forest lands in riparian areas by creating a new exemption to forest practice rules and reducing the duration of an easement under the program.

*about the coalition*

The Environmental Priorities Coalition is a network of over twenty-five leading environmental groups in Washington state that influence policy at the state level. For over a decade, the Coalition has selected joint priority issues to work on during legislative session to help focus environmental community resources and best achieve our shared goals.

