WEEK OF FEBRURARY 27, 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 <u>clifford@ctassociates.org</u> 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 <u>here</u>. Thank you.

SUPPORT Possible House Floor Vote	 HB 1033: Evaluating compostable product usage in Washington Creates a taskforce that would make policy recommendations to the legislators, so that we can move quickly toward developing a statewide policy. A consistent statewide policy will help us get more food waste to compost facilities rather than the landfill.
SUPPORT Possible House Floor Vote	 HB 1047: Concerning the use of toxic chemicals in cosmetic products. The bill bans PFAS, formaldehyde, lead and other harmful chemicals in personal care products and cosmetics that threaten health and disproportionately impact women of color. The bill also requires the hazards of other cosmetic ingredients to be assessed and provides incentives for small businesses to transition to safer products.
SUPPORT Possible House Floor	 HB 1085: Reducing plastic pollution Requiring refill fountains in new construction and phasing out hotel plastic packaged mini-toiletries such as shampoos, lotions and soap. Instead, hotels can use wall-mounted or similar bulk dispensers. Phasing out the use of foam-filled floats that are used for docks. When

House Floor Action





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

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- 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.

HB 1170: Improving climate resilience through updates to the state's integrated			
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- Updates statewide, inter-agency strategy for addressing climate risks and improving resilience of communities and ecosystems
- Strengthens requirements for agencies to consider climate impacts in funding and activities and improves cross-agency coordination of state response to federal climate resilience funding opportunities.



Possible House Floor

Vote

HB 1176: Developing opportunities for service and workforce programs to support climate-ready communities.

- Establishes Washington climate corps network to support climate-related service opportunities for young adults and veterans.
- Creates a clean energy technology workforce advisory committee to support the expansion of clean energy economy.





HB 1181: Improving the state's response to climate change by updating the state's planning framework.

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- Requires the largest/fastest growing communities to plan for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions/vehicle miles traveled according to state goals.
- Requires all cities and counties to plan for resiliency and to address the impacts of climate change in land use plans.

Vote	
SUPPORT Possible House Floor Vote	 SHB 1282: Requiring environmental and labor reporting for public building construction and renovation material. Creates a reporting system for the carbon footprint of building materials, worker information, and other datapoints like health certifications. The information and database created under the bill will help the state leverage its purchasing power to procure climate smart building materials that support workers.
SUPPORT Possible House Floor Vote	 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.
SUPPORT Possible House Floor Vote	 HB 1578: Improving community preparedness, response, recovery, and resilience to wildland fire health and safety impacts in areas of increasing population density, including in the wildland urban interface. Strengthens our state's wildfire resilience tools, including decadal wildfire risk assessments, evacuation strategies, and debris flow programs. Expands the successful "Wildfire Ready Neighbors" program to the westside of the state, where wildfire risks are increasing as well.

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.

