



for the
Washington State
Senate

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. We established four to be our highest priorities for the 2025 Legislative Session, as listed [here](#). 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 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](#).

Senate Committee Action



SUPPORT

*Senate Committee on
Environment, Energy &
Technology: Executive
Session, Tuesday, 2/18*

SB 5033: Concerning biosolids.

- Establishes a monitoring program for PFAS (i.e., the forever chemicals) in biosolids from wastewater treatment facilities.
- Biosolids are spread in forests and on farms and this bill helps understand the potential concentrations of these bioaccumulating toxic chemicals.



OPPOSE

*Senate Committee on
Environment, Energy &
Technology: Public
Hearing, Friday, 2/21*

SB 5091: Concerning motor vehicle emission standards for Washington.

- Would repeal Washington's clean cars and clean trucks standards which are more protective of health and cut climate pollution.
- Washington has adopted these standards alongside 12 other states.



SUPPORT

SB 5203: Ensuring Connectivity for Washington's Wildlife Through Safe Passages

Senate Committee on
Ways & Means: Public
Hearing, Tuesday, 2/18

- Directs WSDOT and WDFW to implement an action plan for building wildlife crossing structures over and under highways and protecting key habitat corridors throughout the state.
 - Creates two accounts to fund the work.
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SUPPORT

Senate Committee on
Environment, Energy, &
Technology: Public
Hearing, Friday, 2/21

SB 5380: Increasing environmental justice by improving government decisions.

- The Cumulative Risk Burden (CURB) Pollution Act reduces pollution by considering cumulative health risks and prioritizes protections to the most impacted communities.
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SUPPORT

Senate Committee on
Environment, Energy, &
Technology: Public
Hearing, Friday, 2/21

SB 5423: Supporting the servicing and right to repair of certain products with digital electronics in a secure and reliable manner

- Requires digital electronic product manufacturers, to make repair information, parts and tools available to independent repair businesses and owners.
 - Reduces the amount of e-waste and makes it possible for small businesses to repair these items, bringing better access across the state and extending the life of computers, tablets and cellphones, and household appliances
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SUPPORT

Senate Committee on
Environment, Energy, &
Technology: Executive
Session, Tuesday, 2/18

SB 5450: Increasing transparency regarding sewage-containing spills

- [One of the 4 environmental priorities for 2025.](#)
 - Dozens of sewage spills occur every year and few are widely reported to the general public.
 - It's time that Washington joins South Carolina and Massachusetts and ensures that the public has access to timely information on sewage spills across the state
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SUPPORT

Senate Committee on
Environment, Energy, &
Technology: Executive
Session, Tuesday, 2/18

SB 5466: Improving reliability and capacity of the electric transmission system in Washington state.

- Improves Washington's electric grid by establishing the Washington Electric Transmission Office and adopting various policy improvements that coordinate upgrades, expand capacity, and support clean energy integration.
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SUPPORT

*Senate Committee on
Agriculture & Natural
Resources: Executive
Session, Thursday, 2/20*

SB 5474: Expanding opportunities for organic, regenerative, climate-smart, and sustainable producers.

- Directs the Washington State Department of Agriculture to develop an Organic Action Plan or roadmap to reduce barriers to growing and marketing organic agriculture.
- Creates a microgrant program for producers who implement or seek to implement regenerative, organic, sustainable, or climate-smart agricultural practices. Allows WSDA to lower the cost of certifying a farm or producer as organic.



SUPPORT

*Senate Committee on
Agriculture & Natural
Resources: Executive
Session, Thursday, 2/20*

SB 5491: Establishing a prescribed fire claims fund pilot program.

- Encourages more prescribed fire by certified burn managers and cultural fire practitioners, which can improve forest health and protect communities from catastrophic wildfires.
- Part of the environmental community's Partnership Agenda for 2025.



OPPOSE

*Senate Committee on
Local Government:
Public Hearing,
Monday, 2/17*

SB 5703: Concerning fair treatment of municipal solid waste systems.

- This bill would exempt Spokane's Waste to Energy Facility from the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Cap and Invest program.
- The Spokane incinerator is the last incinerator on the west coast and exempting it under any state laws will only serve to extend its life and expose the public to more dangerous pollution.

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.

