WEEK OF MARCH 10, 2025



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 <u>here</u>. 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>.

Senate Floor Action

SB 5680: Establishing a right to repair for mobility equipment for persons with physical disabilities

- Requires manufacturers of powered wheelchairs and similar devices to make repair information, parts and tools available to independent repair businesses and owners.
- There is a lack of options for repair across the state and the wait time for repairs can be up to several months!

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



Possible Floor Vote

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- This bill would give special treatment under the Climate Commitment Act to Spokane's Waste to Energy facility.
- The Spokane incinerator is the last incinerator on the west coast and it contributes to significant pollution and high health disparities in nearby communities. Delaying the ability to regulate the facility under any state laws will only serve to expose people and the environment to more dangerous pollution.

Senate Committee Action



Senate Committee on Environment, Energy & Technology: Possible Executive Session, Friday, 3/14

SHB 1670: 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

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.





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