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Please note: Over the last few weeks, Washington Conservation Action has had technical issues that may have impacted the formatting and timing of Hot List emails. We apologize for any confusion this has caused. We are working to resolve these issues and are committed to delivering accurate information in a timely manner.

Senate Committee Action



Senate Committee on Energy, Environment, & Technology: Executive Session, Friday, 3/28

HB 1409: Concerning the clean fuels program.

- The Clean Fuel Standard cuts climate pollution from transportation the largest source of greenhouse gases in Washington through reducing the carbon intensity of transportation fuels and increasing the use of low-carbon fuels and electricity.
- HB 1409 strengthens the program, providing for more investment in clean fuels.



Senate Committee on

Energy, Environment, &

Technology: Executive

Session, Tuesday, 3/25

HB 1462: Reducing greenhouse gas emissions associated with hydrofluorocarbons.

• Helps Washington adapt to the national/global phasedown of hydrofluorocarbon (HFC) refrigerant gases and limit climate pollution by stimulating reclamation and reuse of HFCs. Guides the long-term transition to more affordable and climate-friendly alternative refrigerants.



HB 1483: Supporting the servicing and right to repair of certain products with digital electronics in a secure and reliable manner

Senate Committee on Energy, Environment, & Technology: Public Requires digital electronic product manufacturers, to make repair information, parts and tools available to independent repair businesses and owners. Hearing, Wednesday 3/26 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



Senate Committee on Energy, Environment, & Technology: Executive Session, Tuesday, 3/25

HB 1497: Organics management: Improving outcomes associated with waste material management systems.

- Addresses composting and other management of organic (yard and food waste) in order to divert the material from the landfill and avoid methane gas generation.
- Includes standardized color-coded collection bins and lids, a pathway for bringing organics collection to more multi-family buildings, support for food waste reduction efforts in K-12 schools and more

Encourages more prescribed fire by certified burn managers and cultural fire practitioners, which can improve forest health and protect communities

Part of the environmental community's Partnership Agenda for 2025.



HB 1563: Establishing a prescribed fire claims fund pilot program.

Senate Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources: Executive Session, Monday, 3/24



HB 1819: Increasing transmission capacity.

from catastrophic wildfires.

 Incentivizes improvements in our state's existing grid through streamlined permitting for transmission upgrades and utility planning and incentives for advanced reconductoring and grid enhancing technologies.

Senate Committee on Energy, Environment, & Technology: Public Hearing, Wednesday 3/26

SUPPORT

Senate Committee on Energy, Environment, & Technology: Public Hearing, Tuesday, 3/25 E2SHB 1912: Concerning the exemption for fuels used for agricultural purposes in the climate commitment act.

- The Climate Commitment Act includes an exemption for fuels used for agricultural purposes by a farm user or fuel used to transport agricultural products on public highways.
- This bill helps implement this exemption and protect consumers by requiring the state to publish a public facing directory of exempt fuel sellers and to continue a remittance program for the next two years as a backstop for agricultural fuel users who are unfairly charged.

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.

