WEEK OF MARCH 3, 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



Possible Floor Vote

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.



Possible Floor Vote

- SB 5284: The Recycling Reform Act: Improving Washington's solid waste management outcomes
 - One of the 2025 top 4 environmental priorities.
 - Modernizes Washington's recycling system, making recycling accessible for all.
 - Reduces excess packaging (including plastic), increases recycling, refill and reuse, creates a uniform recycling list, and reduces costs for local governments and residents across the state.



Possible Floor Vote

SB 5359: Accelerating the development of clean energy and transmission.

- Requires the Department of Commerce to support project siting, planning, and local government coordination
- Provides technical assistance for integrating clean energy into local land-use planning, ensuring a faster, more efficient transition to renewable energy



SSB 5360: Concerning environmental crimes

- Possible Floor Vote
- Improves accountability and clarifies the law to protect the public and the environment from illegal sources of pollution.

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



Possible Floor Vote

- 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



Possible Floor Vote

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.

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

- 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.



Possible Floor Vote

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



Possible Floor Vote

- 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.

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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