

WEEK 8: MARCH 2, 2026

The Environmental Priorities Coalition is made up of 26 statewide environmental organizations working to safeguard Washington’s environment and the health of our communities through policy and budget advocacy at the Washington State Legislature. During legislative session, we send you this weekly “Hot List” as a tool to easily identify environmental community priorities that are up for action in the coming week.

If you have any questions regarding our position on these bills or other bills affecting the environment, please reach out to state lobbyist Clifford Traisman at clifford@ctassociates.org.

Senate Floor Action



SUPPORT

Possible Floor Vote

HB 2199: Reducing impacts from derelict vessels.

This bill would streamline derelict vessel removal by (1) removing the requirement that the owner is known and (2) including vessels that have not been registered for at least two years.



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Possible Floor Vote

HB 2266: Encouraging permanent supportive housing, transitional housing, indoor emergency housing, and indoor emergency shelters.

Requires cities and counties to allow STEP housing with certain restrictions. Ensures that cities and counties are meeting their housing requirements under the GMA.

Senate Committee Action



SUPPORT

*Senate Ways & Means:
Executive Session on
Monday, March 2*

HB 1960: Encouraging renewable energy in Washington through tax policy and investment in local communities.

This bill as negotiated would replace a current property tax with a new renewable energy excise tax rate, more smoothly allocating revenue proportionally back to local taxing districts as well as funding new Local Investment Grant and Tribal Capacity Grant programs. Ensures local communities experience the benefits of clean energy development and climate action.



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HB 2215: Concerning climate commitment act compliance obligations for fuels supplied or otherwise sold into Washington.

Adjusts the compliance threshold for fuel suppliers under the Climate Commitment Act to ensure pollution is covered under the program as intended.



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Senate Transportation:
Executive Session on
Monday, March 2

HB 2251: Concerning climate commitment act accounts.

Changes some accounts under the Climate Commitment Act (CCA) to better reflect the structure of the state budget. Creates a CCA operating account and a CCA capital account.



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SB 6355: Concerning the electric transmission system.

Strengthens the grid to support Washington's clean energy transition through creating a state transmission authority to facilitate new lines.

