

WEEK OF MARCH 29, 2021



for the
**Washington State
Senate**

The Environmental Priorities Coalition is a network of over twenty leading environmental groups who lobby in Olympia. In a virtual Legislative Session, this weekly “Hot List” for legislators, which details our highest priorities each week, should prove to be particularly helpful to you.

Please feel free to contact Clifford Traisman (Washington Environmental Council and Washington Conservation Voters) at clifford@ctassociates.org if you have any questions regarding our positions on any bills affecting the environment, not just these. The Hot List can also be found [here](#). Thank you.

Senate Committee Action



SUPPORT

Senate Ways & Means:

Public Hearing
Tuesday, 3/30

HB 1050: Reducing greenhouse gas emissions from fluorinated gases.

- Reduces potent greenhouse gas emissions from refrigerants by setting standards, reducing leaks, and establishing procurement preferences.



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Senate Ways & Means:

Possible Executive
Session

HB 1091: Reducing greenhouse gas emissions by reducing the carbon intensity of transportation fuel. (Clean Fuel Standard).

- Supports the deployment of clean transportation fuel technologies through a carefully designed program that reduces the carbon intensity of fuel used in the state, while cutting down pollutants that harm public health.
- One of three [environmental community priorities](#) for 2021.



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Senate Ways &

HB 1099: Improving the state's climate response through updates to the state's comprehensive planning framework.

Means:
Possible Executive
Session

- Requires the ten largest/fastest growing communities plan for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions/vehicle miles traveled according to state goals.
- Requires all cities and counties plan for resiliency.



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*Senate Ways &
Means:*
Public Hearing
Wednesday, 3/31

HB 1117: Promoting salmon recovery through revisions to the state's comprehensive planning framework.

- Ensures that salmon recovery is integrated with local land use planning under the Growth Management Act.



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Senate Ways & Means:
Public Hearing
Thursday, 4/1

HB 1139: Taking action to address lead in drinking water.

- Requires testing of every drinking water outlet at every school in Washington.
- Ensures parents and communities know when lead is detected in drinking water at the school; Requires mitigation when detected lead level is above 5 ppb.



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Senate Ways & Means:
Public Hearing
Tuesday, 3/30

HB 1216: Concerning urban and community forestry.

- Updates the 2008 Evergreen Communities Act.
- Links DNR's urban forestry program delivery more explicitly to important co-benefits from increased tree canopy, including salmon recovery, and environmental justice.



SUPPORT

Senate Transportation:
Public Hearing
Monday, 3/29

HB 1287: Concerning preparedness for a zero emissions transportation future.

- Directs state agencies to plan for a zero emissions transportation future by mapping charging and refueling infrastructure, ensuring utilities plan for electricity generation and delivery from growing adoption and usage of electric vehicles, and requiring state building codes that support the anticipated levels of zero emissions vehicle use.



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Senate Ways & Means:
Public Hearing
Tuesday, 3/30

HB 1297: Concerning working families tax exemption.

- Updates the statewide Working Families Tax Credit, which establishes a \$500 base credit and an additional \$150 per child tax credit for 500,000 WA low- and moderate-income families.
- Part of the environmental community's [Partnership Agenda](#).



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Senate Ways & Means:
Public Hearing

HB 1382: Streamlining the environmental permitting process for salmon recovery.

- Establishes a four-year Habitat Recovery Pilot Program for certain salmon restoration projects, exempting projects from certain local and state permits, and establishing a multi-agency review team for these pilot projects.

about the coalition

The Environmental Priorities Coalition is a network of over twenty leading environmental groups in Washington state that influence policy at the state level. For almost two decades, 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.

