



for the  
**Washington State  
Senate**

The Environmental Priorities Coalition is a coalition of over twenty leading environmental groups who lobby in Olympia on a regular basis and organize around a set of priority bills each legislative session. 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 Environmental Council and Washington Conservation Voters) at [clifford@ctassociates.org](mailto:clifford@ctassociates.org) 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 [here](#). Thank you.

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## Senate Floor Action



**SUPPORT**

Possible Floor Vote

**SB 5585: Setting domestic wastewater discharge fees.**

- Eliminates an outdated funding cap that restricts state wastewater work and sets up a collaborative process to work with local governments on a new fee structure.



**SUPPORT**

Possible Floor Vote

**SB 5590: Eliminating the 2022 expiration date of the marine resources advisory council.**

- Extends the work of Marine Resources Advisory Council (MRAC) until 2032.
- The MRAC does important work on ocean acidification threats.



**SUPPORT**

Possible Floor Vote

**SB 5703: Concerning the use and disclosure of toxic chemicals in cosmetic products.**

- Phases out PFAS, formaldehyde, and other toxic chemicals in cosmetics and requires testing of products marketed to women of color who may have [higher exposures](#) to chemicals found in beauty products.
- Unnecessary use of PFAS and other harmful chemicals in personal care products and cosmetics threatens health and contaminates waterways.



Transportation for All



SUPPORT

Possible Floor Vote

**SB 5974: Addressing transportation resources (Move Ahead Washington).**

- One of four [environmental community priorities](#) for 2022.
- \$3 billion in transit funding, including \$1.45 for transit support grants, youth fare free, and a new Tribal Transit Grant Program.
- \$1.27 billion for active transit, including increases in safe routes to school and a new program for connecting communities to address the past harms of the transportation system on communities.
- \$3 billion in maintenance and preservation of our current system.
- Investments from the Climate Commitment Act funding that reduces carbon emissions.
- This package is the cleanest transportation revenue package in state history.

## Senate Committee Action



SUPPORT

*Senate Housing & Local Government*  
Possible Executive Session

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

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



SUPPORT

*Senate Housing & Local Government*  
Public Hearing, 2/17

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

- Integrates salmon recovery into the Growth Management Act and creates a new “net ecological gain” standard.
- Removes silos between land use and salmon recovery in an effort to improve the health and function of watersheds around the state.



SUPPORT

*Senate Environment, Energy & Technology*  
Public Hearing, 2/16

**HB 1619: Concerning appliance efficiency standards.**

- Sets and updates energy efficiency standards for common consumer products, saving consumers money on utility bills.



SUPPORT

*Senate Environment, Energy & Technology*  
Public Hearing, 2/16

**HB 1663: Reducing methane emissions from landfills.**

- Reduces methane emissions in Washington by requiring owners or operators of certain landfills to install methane gas capture systems and to collect gas at an extraction rate that complies with surface methane emission limits.
- Landfills are a significant source of methane, a powerful greenhouse gas with a far larger short-term impact than CO<sup>2</sup>.



**SUPPORT**

*Senate Agriculture,  
Natural Resources,  
Water & Parks  
Public Hearing, 2/17*

**HB 1700: Concerning sustainable funding for the derelict vessel removal account using the vessel watercraft excise tax.**

- Ensures stable funding for DNR to prevent vessels from becoming derelict and remove those that have already become derelict.
  - Derelict vessels are responsible for habitat loss and water quality problems in Puget Sound and other waters of the state.
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**SUPPORT**

*Senate Law & Justice  
Public Hearing, 2/17*

**HB 1793: Concerning electric vehicle charging stations in common interest communities.**

- Prohibits homeowners' associations and similar communities from placing unreasonable restrictions on the installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure for their complexes or neighborhoods.
  - Access to electric vehicle charging is key to reducing our greenhouse gas emissions and allowing choice for vehicle owners.
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**SUPPORT**

*Senate Ways & Means:  
Public Hearing, 2/17*

**SB 5543: Concerning a zero-emission landscaping equipment incentive program.**

- Establishes a zero-emission landscaping equipment incentive and exchange pilot program to assist residents and landscapers in transitioning from the use of gasoline or diesel-powered landscaping equipment to new all-electric landscaping equipment.
  - Fossil-fueled outdoor power equipment causes significant pollution: using a gas-powered leaf blower for one hour creates as much smog-forming and health-harming pollution as driving a Toyota Camry 1,100 miles.
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*about the coalition*

The Environmental Priorities Coalition is a network of over 25 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.

