



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 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.

Senate Committee Action



SUPPORT

*Senate Housing &
Local Government:*
Public Hearing
Tuesday, 2/1

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 Environment,
Energy & Technology:*
Public Hearing
Tuesday, 2/1

HB 1280: Concerning greenhouse gas emissions reductions in the design of public facilities.

- Requires life-cycle cost analyses for new or renovated major publicly-owned or leased facilities to ensure that low-carbon, all-electric, and energy efficient systems are adequately considered.
- Declares it the public policy of the state that greenhouse gas emission reduction practices are included in these facilities.

SB 5697: Renewing Washington's recycling system and reducing waste (RENEW Act).



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*Senate Environment,
Energy & Technology:
Possible Executive
Session*

- Establishes an extended producer responsibility for packaging and paper products, as well as targets and other components to reduce waste and improve recycling.
- Washington’s recycling rates have been on a downward trend since 2011. This bill would modernize our recycling system.
- One of four [environmental community priorities](#) for 2022.



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*Senate Environment,
Energy & Technology:
Possible Executive
Session*

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.



SUPPORT

*Senate Ways & Means:
Public Hearing
Friday, 2/4*

SB 5793: Concerning stipends for low-income or underrepresented community members of state boards, commissions, councils, committees, and other similar groups.

- Creates a stipend program and child/adult care reimbursement to support individuals who volunteer their time to serve on a state-formed council, board, commission or other group.
- The perspectives and expertise of community members who are impacted by state policies and laws are invaluable to better serving the public as a whole.



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*Senate Environment,
Energy & Technology:
Possible Executive
Session*

SB 5842: Concerning state laws that address climate change.

- Establishes an office of climate policy and accountability to support reducing climate pollution as required under Washington’s greenhouse gas emissions limits.
- Makes small, technical changes to the Climate Commitment Act for clarity.



OPPOSE

*Senate Agriculture,
Water, Natural
Resources & Parks:*

SB 5882: Clarifying the existence of riparian stock watering rights.

- Attempts to clarify the right of ranchers to allow their stock to drink from streams but likely to create confusion and lead to litigation.
- State agencies have called for a collaborative process to resolve this matter.



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*Senate Agriculture,
Water, Natural
Resources & Parks:*
Possible Executive
Session

SB 5885: Concerning Marine Shoreline Habitat.

- Establishes an ongoing survey of Puget Sound shorelines to identify shoreline structures such as bulkheads, docks, and piers that are unpermitted or abandoned and which cause harm to critical habitat.
- Requires that, when landowners replace shoreline structures, the replacement structure meets the same technical standards that are required of new structures.



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*Senate Environment,
Energy & Technology:*
Public Hearing
Tuesday, 2/1

SB 5895: Concerning timing restrictions for remedial action grants to local government.

- Makes a small technical fix to MTCA to avoid funding disruptions that could unnecessarily delay important cleanup 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 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.

