



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

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

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



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Possible Floor Vote

### **HB 1770: Strengthening energy codes.**

- Develops a voluntary “local option” reach energy code for new residential construction for jurisdictions to optionally adopt, providing another tool to reduce energy use and carbon emissions.

## Senate Committee Action



**SUPPORT**

*Senate Ways & Means:*  
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 Ways & Means:*  
Possible Executive  
Session

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

- Integrates salmon recovery into the Growth Management Act to improve the health and function of watersheds around the state.



**SUPPORT**

*Senate Ways & Means:*  
Possible Executive  
Session

**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 Ways & Means:*  
Possible Executive  
Session

**HB 1691: Concerning financial responsibility requirements related to oil spills.**

- Requires a responsible party to provide assurances that it has the ability to pay for cleanup and damages after an oil spill.



**SUPPORT**

*Senate Ways & Means:*  
Possible Executive  
Session

**HB 1694: Concerning logistical processes for the regulation of priority chemicals in consumer products.**

- Steps up action on toxic PFAS chemicals in products such as apparel and firefighter turnout gear, and makes improvements to the state's landmark law—Safer Products for Washington.
- Urgent action on PFAS is needed now so that we can reverse the trends of PFAS contamination in drinking water, [breast milk](#), and communities.



**SUPPORT**

*Senate Ways & Means:*  
Possible Executive  
Session

**HB 1717: Concerning tribal participation in planning under the growth management act.**

- Establishes clear GMA protocols and processes to respect and uphold the sovereignty of tribal nations.
- Adds protection of cultural resources to regional planning processes, in collaboration with those Federally recognized Tribes who are invited and choose to accept the invitation.



**SUPPORT**

*Senate Ways & Means:*

**HB 1799: Concerning organic materials management.**

- Sets goal to reduce organic material (yard waste, food waste, etc.) to our landfills and to divert edible food to food rescue programs.
- Includes components to facilitate this diversion including increasing collection of organic material, siting of facilities and reducing contamination.



**SUPPORT**

*Senate Ways & Means:*  
Possible Executive  
Session

**HB 1812: Modernizing the energy facility site evaluation council to meet the state's clean energy goals.**

- Allows various clean energy and clean energy product facilities to opt into the siting process for the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC).
  - Clarifies and streamlines processes within EFSEC, including establishing EFSEC as a separate agency from the Utilities & Transportation Commission.
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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.

