AGENDA

ALAMEDA COUNTY WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY MEETING OF THE
PROGRAMS AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Thursday, May 12, 2016
9:00 A.M.

StopWaste Offices
1537 Webster Street
Oakland Ca 94612
510-891-6500

1. Convene Meeting
2. Public Comments
   An opportunity is provided for any member of the public wishing to speak on any matter within
   the jurisdiction of the Programs & Administration Committee, but not listed on the agenda.
   Each speaker is limited to three minutes.

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3. Approval of the Draft Minutes of March 10, 2016 (Wendy Sommer)  Action

5. New Regional Lawn to Garden Website (Kelly Schoonmaker)  Information
   This item is for information only.

7. Legislative Positions for 2016 (Debra Kaufman)  Action
   Staff recommends that the Committees recommend the preliminary legislative positions outlined in the staff report to the full Authority Board for the 2016 session of the California legislature.

6. Member Comments

7. Adjournment

The Programs & Administration Committee is a Committee that contains more than a quorum of the Board. However, all items considered by the Committee requiring approval of the Board will be forwarded to the Board for consideration at a regularly noticed board meeting.
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Thursday, March 10, 2016
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Members Present:
City of Alameda            Jim Oddie
County of Alameda         Keith Carson
City of Berkeley          Susan Wengraf
Castro Valley Sanitary District  Dave Sadoff
City of Dublin            Don Biddle
City of Fremont           Suzanne Lee Chan
City of Newark            Mike Hannon
City of Oakland           Dan Kalb
Oro Loma Sanitary District  Shelia Young
City of San Leandro       Deborah Cox
City of Union City        Lorrin Ellis

Absent:
City of Livermore         Laureen Turner

Staff Present:
Wendy Sommer, Executive Director
Tom Padia, Deputy Executive Director
Patricia Cabrera, Administrative Services Director
Justin Lehrer, Senior Program Manager
Jeanne Nader, program Manager
Michelle Fay, Program manager
Arliss Dunn, Clerk of the Board

1. Convene Meeting
Chair Dave Sadoff called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

2. Public Comments
There were none.

3. Approval of the Draft Minutes of February 11, 2016 (Wendy Sommer) Action
Board member Young made the motion to approve the draft minutes of February 11, 2016. Board member Biddle seconded and the motion was carried 8-0 (Carson, Ellis, Kalb, and Turner absent).
4. Mandatory Recycling Ordinance-Site Inspector Analysis (Pat Cabrera)  
Staff recommends that the P&A Committee recommend to the WMA Board that staff continues engaging contracted services for MRO site inspections.

Pat Cabrera provided an overview of the staff report. A copy of the report is available here: MRO-Site Inspector Analysis-03-10-16

Board members Sadoff and Young expressed their appreciation to staff for conducting the study and stated that they were pleased with the outcome. Board member Sadoff inquired if there would be cause to revisit the issue prior to the recommended three year timeline. Tom Padia stated that the three year timeline would allow time to experience a full year of enforcement for organics, bottles, cans, paper, and cardboard with all of the jurisdictions that have opted in, even those on schedule waivers. The three year horizon will give us enough time for experience with repeat violators and a sense of the number of citations and violations and the subsequent follow-up inspection requirements. The timeline also allows us to measure the effectiveness of the ordinance with respect to how much good stuff is still remaining in the garbage.

Board member Chan stated surprise at the compensation and inquired if there is ongoing training and some type of certification for inspectors. Mr. Padia replied yes on both accounts and added inspectors are required to pass a Basic Inspector Academy accredited through CalEPA as well as ongoing training and supervision provided by the retired Deputy Sheriff that we have on contract.

Board member Hannon inquired if the inspectors issue citations in the field. Mr. Padia stated no the inspectors do not currently issue citations. Their work includes documenting their findings and forwarding the information to staff to review and follow up and issue any citations as appropriate. Board member Young inquired if the firm that we contract with is located in Southern California and what is the term of the contract. Mr. Padia stated yes, but they work nationally and all inspectors are local. Mr. Padia added we have an annual contract with them that expires at the end of the current fiscal year and we may need to extend the current contract to allow time to prepare for a new bidding process. Mr. Padia invited the Committee to submit the names of any firms that they would like to be considered.

Board member Chan made the motion to approve the staff recommendation. Board member Cox seconded and the motion carried 9-0 (Carson, Kalb, and Turner, absent).

5. Product Decisions Targets Update (Justin Lehrer)  
Staff recommends that the Committee review the proposed recommendations for the PD Targets and recommend to the WMA Board to direct staff to implement them in the FY 16-17 budget.

Justin Lehrer presented an overview of the staff report and a PowerPoint presentation. The combined report and presentation is available here: Product Decisions Targets memo-03-10-16

Board member Hannon inquired if the 18 industrial kitchens that we are working with are located throughout Alameda County. Mr. Lehrer stated yes the kitchens are well distributed throughout Alameda County. Board member Hannon inquired in addition to the Oakland Unified School District and the Livermore School District the other schools that staff intends to work with. Ms. Sommer stated that two additional schools will be added and the San Lorenzo School District has expressed an interest in the program. The industrial kitchens that we are targeting are mostly owned by Guckenheimer and the facilities are located in Fremont, Livermore, Alameda County Fairgrounds, O.Co Coliseum, Dominican Sisters, and Fremont Kaiser. We hope to include more kitchens next fiscal year.
Ms. Sommer stated that Board member Young had brought in from Pebble Beach some samples of compostable service ware including plates and flatware that are BPI (Biodegradable Products Institute) certified. However, the colored plastic can be confusing and more costly to purchase.

Board member Chan inquired about funding incentives to businesses. Mr. Lehrer stated that interested businesses can learn about the funding incentives through information on our website and the Clean Water Action has representatives reaching out to businesses as well. Michelle Fay stated that there are grants available to businesses and staff is working with local chambers and restaurant associations. This program works in conjunction with the mandatory recycling program, offering technical assistance with respect to compliance with the ordinance. Board member Hannon inquired if we are working with agencies that conduct restaurant inspections. Staff stated that would be a good idea.

Chair Sadoff inquired with respect to recycled materials if the pricing is competitive with virgin materials and does it vary by category. Mr. Lehrer stated yes it varies by category. Board member Hannon inquired with respect to built environments if we looked at the environment prior to construction in terms of C&D activity and the opportunity to ensure that those materials are gathered and recycled, and does the program require that the developer pay an upfront fee to demonstrate that they have recycled those materials in an effort to have those fees returned. Mr. Lehrer stated yes we have a C&D project within the discards management program group that looks at those issues. Mr. Padia added it is at the discretion of each city whether or not to charge a deposit, however it is a requirement in the State building code that requires applicants to demonstrate diversion of the debris generated from the construction project. The level of enforcement may vary from city to city.

Board member Kalb inquired with respect to HHW if the agency has a list available of preferred HHW products. Jeanne Nader stated that we have a dedicated list of alternatives on our website and Our Water Our World has a list of recommended alternatives to synthetic fertilizers and pesticides as well. Board member Kalb inquired if staff had considered labeling at retail stores messaging “buy this, not that.” Board member Sadoff stated that the Board had discussed this issue but there were several challenging issues. Ms. Nader replied that staff had surveyed retailers and there was lack of interest in providing labeling of alternatives and partnering with Our Water Our World allows us to leverage our proper disposal messaging. Additionally, the consensus among member agency staff is that it is most effective to inform and educate the public on the availability of the HHW facilities and one day events.

Board member Ellis recommended engaging with retailers at the executive or regional level to obtain a sponsored initiative and get buy-in from store directors to promote green messaging and targeting information about the HHW program. Board Member Hannon suggested reaching out to retailers to see if they can include information about the HHW program on sales receipts if customers purchase a HHW product. Board member Hannon commended staff on an outstanding job. Board member Chan agreed and inquired if the criteria will be used to assess projects that will ultimately be presented to the Board during the budgeting process. Mr. Lehrer stated yes, and the criteria will be applied to other projects as well and will be refined as needed.

Board member Ellis made the motion to approve the staff recommendation. Board member Kalb seconded and the motion carried 11-0 (Turner absent).

6. Member Comments

Board member Wengraf requested that staff provide to the Board information on any initiatives on the June Ballot about which Board members may wish to inform their constituents. Ms. Sommer stated that staff will be providing a legislative update to the Board in April but the agency does not make recommendations on local ballot measures.
Ms. Sommer asked for a straw poll of members that would be interested in moving the start time for the Programs & Administration Committee meeting to 9:30 or 9:15 a.m. The committee by consensus elected to keep the meeting start time at 9:00 a.m.

7. Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.
SUMMARY
On behalf of the Bay Area Integrated Regional Water Management (BAIRWM) group, StopWaste recently developed and launched an online Lawn-to-Garden Marketplace. The website is a one-stop shop that provides resources on sheet mulching for home gardeners and landscape professionals. At the May 12 meeting, staff will provide an overview of the website and associated activities the Agency is undertaking as part of a regional grant.

DISCUSSION
Since 2011 StopWaste has been a member of BAIRWM and has collaborated with water agencies, cities, and counties to jointly apply for California Department of Water Resources (DWR) Prop 84 funding. In 2015, DWR awarded StopWaste with a grant to regionalize the existing countywide sheet mulch stakeholder/vendor network and develop the Lawn-to-Garden Marketplace, which directly supports lawn conversion rebates offered by water agencies. Additional grant deliverables include in-store training for partner sheet mulch vendors and workshops for landscape professionals.

While many water agencies offer rebates to replace lawn with drought-tolerant planting and efficient irrigation, they do not specify the method of lawn conversion. As a result, many home gardeners and landscape professionals rip out the lawns, sending 87 tons/acre of sod to the landfill and leaving compacted, unhealthy soil to support new planting. Sheet mulching (the application of cardboard, compost and mulch) smothers the lawn in place without herbicides and creates drought-resistant soil through the addition of compost and mulch along with the decomposing lawn itself.
Visitors to the Lawn-to-Garden Marketplace can learn how to sheet mulch, identify rebates and discounts on materials, get inspired by examples of local lawn conversions, and use a searchable vendor list to find cardboard, compost, mulch and more. The website went live in March 2016. Project partners are promoting the Lawn-to-Garden Marketplace in stores, through rebates applications, and at local events.

**RECOMMENDATION**

This item is for information only.
DATE: May 12, 2016

TO: Programs & Administration Committee
Planning & Organization Committee/Recycling Board

FROM: Wendy Sommer, Executive Director

BY: Debra Kaufman, Senior Program Manager

SUBJECT: Legislative Positions for 2016

SUMMARY

2016 is the second year of the 2015/2016 legislative session and through our contract lobbyist we are tracking several bills that are in different stages of the legislative process. To date we have identified 24 bills of possible interest to StopWaste. We are recommending a position of support on 17 bills (two of which have already died), a watch position on 6 bills and an oppose position on one bill. The attached excel spreadsheet lists the bills, provides a short description, identifies the status of the bills, and includes recommended positions. Several bills are still in “spot” language form and will only be able to be analyzed once operative language is inserted.

DISCUSSION

In November, 2015, the Waste Management Authority Board approved these three legislative priorities for 2016: 1. Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR); 2. Organics regulation and legislation; and 3. Environmentally Preferable Purchasing. The following provides a discussion on our priority areas and a list of the bills we are recommending positions on. The attached spreadsheet contains more detail on the bills.

1. Extended Producer Responsibility

AB 45 (Mullin) Household hazardous waste (oppose) This bill prioritizes curbside household hazardous waste programs over other programs. AB 939 already requires local governments to have a plan for recycling HHW. Local governments should have the authority to determine whether drop off or curbside is the most efficient program. Curbside programs in the Bay Area have a lower participation rate than the Alameda County drop-off facilities. This bill takes attention away from the real need which is shared manufacturer responsibility for disposal costs of HHW and places all the burden of costs on local governments. This is being considered an anti-EPR bill. California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC) has an oppose position as do many other local governments.

AB 2039 (Ting) Sharps (support). This bill would create an EPR system for used sharps. It died in committee, however Assembly member Ting is dedicated to addressing this issue, and may look for another vehicle to bring this forward.
2. **Organics**

After several bills passed in the last two years related to organics, including phasing out diversion credit for green waste used as alternative daily cover (ADC) at landfills, requiring commercial businesses to recycle their organics and requiring local governments to identify processing capacity needed for their organics generation, this legislative year has been quieter on the topic of organics diversion. On the regulatory front, however, CARB has proposed developing a state regulation to get organics out of landfill by 2025 as a way to reduce short lived carbon pollutants, or more specifically, in the case of landfills, methane. The BAAQMD is including support for more sustainable landscaping in their Regional Clean Air Plan. The bills that do address organics this year, (SB 367 and AB 2525) focus on the use of compost for its multiple greenhouse gas reduction benefits including carbon storage and water conserving features.

3. **Environmentally Preferable Purchasing**

The only bill addressing environmentally preferable purchasing this year is AB 2530 which requires plastic bottle manufacturers to indicate through labeling the percentage of postconsumer recycled content in the container.

**Other Relevant Bills:**

The following lists the bills that we are recommending positions on. The detail for these bills, including a link to the text of the bill, is contained in the attached spreadsheet.

1. AB 45 (Mullin) HHW. Oppose
2. AB 761 (Levine) Carbon sequestration. Support
3. AB 1005 (Gordon) Bottle Bill. Support
4. AB 1063 (Williams) Solid Waste Tip Fee. Watch
5. AB 1103 (Dodd) Organics. Watch
6. AB 1239 (Gordon) Tire recycling. Support
7. AB 2111 (Dahle) HHW. Watch
8. AB 2153 (Garcia) Lead Acid Battery EPR. Support
9. AB 2396 (McCarty) Annual Reports for State Agencies. Support
10. AB 2525 (Holden) Water Efficient Landscaping. Support
11. AB 2530 (Gordon) Plastic bottle recycled content labeling. Support
12. AB 2576 (Gray) Market Development for glass. Support
13. AB 2579 (Low) Food service packaging. Watch
14. AB 2812 (Gordon) Recycling in state facilities. Support
15. SB 367 (Wolk) Incentives for farmers to use compost and reduce GHG. Support
16. SB 423 (Bates) Standards for handling of nonprescription drugs. Watch
17. SB 778 (Allen) Oil change frequency information. Support
18. SB 970 (Leyva) GHG grants for in state recycled product manufacturing. Support
19. SB 1043 (Allen) Biogas funding Watch
20. SB 1229 (Jackson) Secure drug take-back bins. Support
21. SB 1233 (McGuire) Water Bill Savings for water efficiency measures. Support
22. SB 1402 (Pavley) Low carbon fuels. Support
23. AB 2039 (Ting) Sharps EPR. Support (dead but may be revived in another format)

We anticipate bringing an update on legislative activity to the Boards in June.

RECOMMENDATION
Staff recommends that the Committees recommend the preliminary legislative positions outlined in the staff report to the full Authority Board for the 2016 session of the California legislature.

Attachment A: List of Bills
### StopWaste/ACWMA

**4/28/2016**

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<td>AB 45</td>
<td>Mullin D</td>
<td>Household hazardous waste.</td>
<td>Would require the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery to adopt one or more model ordinances for a comprehensive program for the collection of household hazardous waste and would authorize a local jurisdiction that provides for the residential collection and disposal of solid waste that proposes to enact an ordinance governing the collection and diversion of household hazardous waste to adopt one of the model ordinances adopted by the department.</td>
<td>Amended: 1/21/2016</td>
<td>2/4/2016- Referred to Com. on E.Q.</td>
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<td>8/28/2015-S. 2 YEAR</td>
<td>AB 761</td>
<td>Levine D</td>
<td>Carbon sequestration : working lands.</td>
<td>Would require the Department of Food and Agriculture, upon an appropriation of moneys therefor, to establish a grant program to fund voluntary projects that increase carbon sequestration and greenhouse gas emissions reductions on working lands, as defined. The bill would require the department, in consultation with the Department of Conservation, the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, the State Air Resources Board, and the Department of Water Resources, to develop and adopt project solicitation and evaluation guidelines for the program, as specified.</td>
<td>Amended: 6/2/2015</td>
<td>8/28/2015- Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. on 8/27/2015)</td>
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<td>AB 1005</td>
<td>Gordon D</td>
<td>California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act: market development payments.</td>
<td>Current law authorizes the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, until that authorization is repealed on January 1, 2017, to annually expend up to $10,000,000 from the fund to make market development payments to an entity certified by the department as a recycling center, processor, or dropoff or collection program for empty plastic beverage containers that are subsequently washed and processed into flake, pellet, or other form, and made usable for the manufacture of a plastic product, or to a product manufacturer for empty plastic beverage containers that are subsequently washed and processed into flake, pellet, or other form, and used by that product manufacturer to manufacture a product. This bill would postpone that repeal until January 1, 2022.</td>
<td>Amended: 1/4/2016</td>
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<td>8/17/2015</td>
<td>AB 1063</td>
<td>Williams D</td>
<td>Solid waste: charges.</td>
<td>Would raise the fee imposed on an operator of a disposal facility to $4 per ton commencing January 1, 2017. The bill would require a minimum of $1.50 per ton of the fee collected from each operator, until January 1, 2022, and would authorize some or all of the fee collected thereafter, to be allocated to activities that promote recycling and the highest and best use of materials, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</td>
<td>Amended: 8/17/2015</td>
<td>8/19/2015- In committee: Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.</td>
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<td>Would require a person who transports a certain amount of food waste to be registered by the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, except as specified. The bill would require a registered transporter to maintain a record of food waste transported that contains specified documents and information, and to certify, under penalty of perjury, to the accuracy of the record. By expanding the application of the crime of perjury, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</td>
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<td>Would require a waste tire generator, as defined, that is a retail seller of new tires to end user purchasers to pay a California tire regulatory fee. The bill would authorize the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery to establish the California tire regulatory fee in an amount that is sufficient to generate revenues equivalent to the reasonable regulatory costs incurred by the department incident to audits, inspections, administrative costs, adjudications, manifesting, registration, and other regulatory activities regarding these retail sellers as generators of waste tires, but not to exceed $1.25 per new tire sold, as provided.</td>
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<td>Household hazardous waste.</td>
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<td>Current law authorizes public agencies to operate household hazardous waste collection facilities, as defined, and specifies conditions for the transportation of household hazardous waste. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the definitions pertaining to those provisions.</td>
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<td>AB 2153</td>
<td>Garcia, Cristina D</td>
<td><strong>Lead-Acid Battery Recovery and Recycling Act.</strong> Would establish the Used Lead-Acid Battery Recovery and Recycling Act. The bill would require a qualified industry association, as defined, to establish a lead-acid battery recycling organization, as defined. The bill would authorize the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery to certify that a lead-acid battery recycling organization has been established. The bill would require the lead-acid battery recycling organization to develop, implement, and administer a lead-acid battery recycling program pursuant to the act.</td>
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<td>4/28/2016-</td>
<td>AB 2396</td>
<td>McCarty D</td>
<td><strong>Solid waste: annual reports.</strong> The California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989, which is administered by the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, establishes an integrated waste management program. Current law requires each state agency to submit an annual report to the department summarizing its progress in reducing solid waste that is due on or before May 1 of each year. This bill would require each state agency to include in that annual report a summary of the state agency’s compliance with specified requirements relating to recycling commercial solid waste and organic waste.</td>
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<td>AB 2525</td>
<td>Holden D</td>
<td><strong>Water-efficient landscaping.</strong> Would require the Department of Water Resources, upon identification of a funding source, to create the California Water Efficient Landscaping Program for the purpose of encouraging local agencies and water purveyors to use economic incentives that promote the efficient use of water, promote the benefits of consistent landscape ordinances, and support and enhance water inefficient grass replacement. This bill would create the Water Efficient Landscaping Fund and provide that moneys in the fund are available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the department for certain purposes.</td>
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<td>AB 2530</td>
<td>Gordon D</td>
<td>Recycling: beverage containers.</td>
<td>Would, beginning January 1, 2018, require a manufacturer of a beverage sold in a plastic beverage container to clearly indicate through labeling the average percentage of postconsumer recycled content in the beverage container and would require a manufacturer to use one or more of several specified methods of determining the average percentage of postconsumer recycled content for labeling or making a claim about the postconsumer recycled content of plastic beverage containers. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</td>
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<td>4/12/2016-</td>
<td>AB 2576</td>
<td>Gray D</td>
<td>Recycling: glass container manufacturers: market development payments.</td>
<td>Would provide that up to $20,000,000 shall be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery for market development payments to glass container manufacturers in an amount of $50 per ton of state-generated cullet, as defined, utilized for manufacturing in the state to achieve greenhouse gas emissions reductions not otherwise required by statute or regulation.</td>
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<td>4/19/2016-</td>
<td>AB 2579</td>
<td>Low D</td>
<td>Food service packaging products: study.</td>
<td>The California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989, administered by the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, regulates the disposal, management, and recycling of solid waste. This bill would require the department, on or before January 1, 2018, to complete a study to establish baseline data relating to food service packaging that contains specified information, including the current and potential markets for recycled and composted food service packaging products.</td>
<td>4/3/2016</td>
<td>4/19/2016- From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 9. Noes 0.) (April 18). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.</td>
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<td>4/19/2016-</td>
<td>AB 2812</td>
<td>Gordon D</td>
<td>Solid waste: recycling: state agencies and large state facilities.</td>
<td>Would require the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, on or before July 1, 2017, to adopt requirements for adequate receptacles and staffing for collecting and storing recyclable materials in state buildings and large state facilities. The bill would require a state agency and large state facility, on or before July 1, 2018, consistent with those requirements, to provide receptacles for recyclable materials, provide staff, and establish a collection schedule for collecting recyclable materials.</td>
<td>2/19/2016</td>
<td>From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 9, Noes 0.)</td>
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<td>8/28/2015-</td>
<td>SB 367</td>
<td>Wolk D</td>
<td>Agricultural lands: greenhouse gases.</td>
<td>Would authorize, rather than require, the environmental farming program to provide incentives, including loans, grants, research, technical assistance, or educational materials and outreach, to farmers whose practices promote the well-being of ecosystems, air quality, and wildlife and their habitat, and reduce on-farm greenhouse gas emissions or increase carbon storage in agricultural soils and woody biomass, or both.</td>
<td>8/17/2015</td>
<td>Amended: 8/17/2015 8/28/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/26/2015)</td>
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<td>9/1/2015-</td>
<td>SB 423</td>
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<td>Retail nonprescription surplus products: determinations for reuse.</td>
<td>Would authorize the State Department of Public Health to adopt regulations as deemed necessary to establish standards for the proper and safe handling of retail nonprescription pharmaceutical surplus products. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</td>
<td>8/31/2015</td>
<td>Amended: 8/31/2015 9/1/2015-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.</td>
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<td>SB 778</td>
<td>Allen D</td>
<td>Automotive repair: oil changes: notification to customers.</td>
<td>Would require an automotive repair dealer to notify a customer, who is purchasing an oil change, of the recommended oil drain interval, oil grade, and viscosity specified in the maintenance schedule of the vehicle's owner's manual. The bill would also require, except as specified, an automotive repair dealer to use the oil drain interval specified in the maintenance schedule of the vehicle's owner's manual if the automotive repair dealer is recommending the date or mileage for the next oil change, as described.</td>
<td>Amended: 1/4/2016</td>
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<td>4/25/2016</td>
<td>SB 970</td>
<td>Leyva D</td>
<td>Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: grant program: recyclable materials.</td>
<td>Current law requires certain moneys appropriated by the Legislature from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to be used by the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery for a grant program to provide financial assistance to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by promoting in-state development of infrastructure to process organic and other recyclable materials into new, value-added products. This bill would require the department, in awarding a grant under the program, to consider, among other things, the amount of greenhouse gas emissions reductions that may result from the project and the amount of organic material that may be diverted from landfills as a result of the project.</td>
<td>Amended: 4/25/2016</td>
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<td>SB 1043</td>
<td>Allen D</td>
<td>Biogas and biomethane.</td>
<td>Would require the State Air Resources Board to consider and, as appropriate, adopt policies to significantly increase the sustainable production and use of biogas, as defined, and, in so doing, would require the state board, among other things, to ensure the production and use of biogas provides direct environmental benefits and identify barriers to the rapid development and use of biogas and potential sources of funding. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</td>
<td>Amended: 4/25/2016</td>
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<td>SB 1229</td>
<td>Jackson D</td>
<td>Home-generated pharmaceutical waste: secure drug take-back bins.</td>
<td>Under existing law, the Medical Waste Management Act, the State Department of Public Health regulates the management and handling of medical waste, including pharmaceutical waste, as defined. This bill would provide that a collector, as defined, is not liable for civil damages, or subject to criminal prosecution, for maintaining a secure drug take-back bin on its premises if the collector, in good faith and not for compensation, takes specified steps, including that the collector regularly inspects the area surrounding the secure drug take-back bin for potential tampering or diversion, to ensure the health and safety of consumers and employees and the proper disposal in the waste stream of home-generated pharmaceutical waste, as defined, contained in the bins.</td>
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<td>SB 1233</td>
<td>McGuire D</td>
<td>Joint powers authorities: Water Bill Savings Act.</td>
<td>Would enact the Water Bill Savings Act, which would authorize a joint powers authority to provide funding for a customer of a local agency or its publicly owned utility to acquire, install, or repair a water efficiency improvement on the customer's property served by the local agency or its publicly owned utility. The bill would require the customer to repay the authority through an efficiency charge on the customer's water bill to be established and collected by the local agency or its publicly owned utility on behalf of the authority pursuant to a servicing agreement.</td>
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<td>SB 1402</td>
<td>Pavley D</td>
<td>Low-carbon fuels.</td>
<td>Would create the California Low-Carbon Fuels Incentive Program to be administered by the state board and the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, and would authorize moneys in the fund appropriated to the program to be used to provide incentives for the in-state production of low-carbon transportation fuels from new and existing facilities using sustainable feedstock, with priority to be given to projects benefitting disadvantaged communities.</td>
<td>Amended: 3/28/2016</td>
<td>4/6/2016-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 4. Noes 0. Page 3419.) (April 6). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.</td>
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<td>AB 2039</td>
<td>Ting D</td>
<td>Solid waste: home-generated sharps.</td>
<td>Would require a producer of home-generated sharps or a stewardship organization designated by the producer to submit a home-generated sharps stewardship plan by July 1, 2018, to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery. The bill would require the plan to provide for the development and implementation of a recovery program to reduce the generation of, and manage the end of life of, home-generated sharps, and to include specified elements, including provisions to meet specified minimum collection rates for the home-generated sharps subject to the plan. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</td>
<td>Amended: 4/5/2016 pdf html</td>
<td>4/22/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Joint Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was A. E.S. &amp; T.M. on 4/6/2016)</td>
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