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TO: Waste Management Authority

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SUBJECT: Legislative Positions for 2019

SUMMARY:

This is the first year of the 2019/2020 legislative session. As of the deadline on February 22, 2,576 bills were introduced (1,801 in Assembly, 775 in Senate).

Working with Jason Schmelzer and Shaw Yoder Antwih (our contract lobbyist in Sacramento), we are tracking several bills in the legislative process. The report below highlights some of the bills that reflect the Agency priorities. Several bills are still in “spot” language form and will only be able to be analyzed once more language is included. First House (House of Origin) policy committees started earlier this week so many bills do not have committee analyses yet.

We will return to the WMA in June with a status update on these bills.

DISCUSSION:

Each year, the Agency picks priority legislative areas to focus on in the coming legislative year. These are subject areas that StopWaste staff and our lobbyist devote more time and attention to. This could be in the form of additional letters of support to committee members, recruiting support from other government agencies and organizations, testifying at hearings, proposing changes to regulations and working closely with bill sponsors.

In December 2018, the Waste Management Authority Board approved its legislative priorities for 2019, and emphasized plastic pollution prevention, contamination, climate change, organics to landfill and unsustainable consumption. The discussion on the priorities were framed in the context of major external influences last year such as China’s National Sword, an increased awareness of single-use packaging and plastic pollution, rulemaking of SB 1383 and focus on organics and contamination and the recognition of the nexus between materials, energy and climate.

StopWaste works in Sacramento to support its priorities and protect against detrimental legislation or regulations. Staff work closely with partner organizations to support or oppose those bills that have the greatest potential to impact our mission, either positively or negatively.

The Agency's lobbyist advocates our positions on a daily basis in the legislature. Staff provides testimony on priority bills on an as-needed basis, and sends letters on all bills that we support and oppose to the author and committee members.

In both legislative and regulatory work, we collaborate with multiple partners, recognizing that we are likelier to be more successful when we are part of coalitions rather than acting on our own. The Agency continues to work closely with Californians Against Waste and the California Product Stewardship Council, providing financial support to both.

Below is a list of bills, organized by topic category, with a brief description, recommended position, current status, and a link to the bill language.

StopWaste is tracking bills that are categorized under:

- Plastic Pollution Prevention
- Recycling
- Climate/Energy
- EPR/Circular Economy
- Organics/Composting
- Other

StopWaste positions on these bills include:

Support Priority (SP): Priority bills with strong support and testimony including input on bill language

Strong Support (S1): Strong support and testimony as requested

Support (S2/3): Letters of support and signing on to other support letters

Oppose: Opposition

Watch: Indicates that bill language and details are still evolving and we will continue to watch and provide input and take a support/oppose position where necessary.

Plastic Pollution Prevention

[AB 1080 \(Gonzalez /SB 54 \(Allen, Skinner\): California Circular Economy and Plastic Pollution Reduction Act SB 54](#)

This bill will establish a framework to address single use plastic packaging and products by requiring source reduction and recycling of 75% by 2030, and 100% recyclable and compostable on or after 2030. CalRecycle will develop a Scoping Plan by 2021 to develop criteria and a roadmap to achieve the stated goals.

Agency position: Support (SP)

Support: More than 60 organization that include Californians Against Waste, CPSC, ReThink Waste, Story of Stuff Project, Sierra Club.

AB 886 (Eggman): Plastic bags

[AB 886](#)

Current law requires an operator of a retail store to establish an in-store recycling program that provides customers the opportunity to return clean plastic carryout bags to that store by providing a collection bin located in a visible area. This law sunsets in January 2020.

This bill would extend those requirements to January 1, 2021.

Agency position: Support (S1)

Recycling

SB 667 (Huezo): Recycling Infrastructure and Facilities

[SB 667](#)

This bill focuses on funding for infrastructure and requires the State Air Resources Board to develop a 5-year investment strategy to drive innovation and infrastructure, in order to meet specified organic waste reduction and recycling targets.

The bill requires an unspecified amount be appropriated from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to be transferred into the California Recycling Infrastructure Investment Account for a five-year period. It also requires coordination with the States of Nevada, Oregon, and Washington on infrastructure financing to support the recycling needs of the region and to create an advisory stakeholder committee to support development of interstate recycling infrastructure and markets for recyclable materials.

Agency position: Support (S1)

Climate

SB 43 (Allen): Carbon Taxes

[SB 43](#)

This bill requires the State Air Resources Board to conduct a study with an assessment on retail products sold or used in the state based on the carbon intensity of the product to encourage the use of less carbon-intensive products. The bill requires the state board to revise the 2017 scoping plan to reflect the carbon emission reduction benefits that may be realized through the imposition of the assessment based on carbon intensities of products and to consider the results of the study in future updates to the scoping plan.

Agency position: Support (S1)

AB 1115 (Quirk-Silva): Climate Action Plans

[AB 1115](#)

This bill directs the State Air Resources Board to support local governments on specific components of those local governments' climate action plans.

Agency position: Support (S1)

SB 739 (Stern): Climate change: research, development, and demonstration: financial assistance
[SB 739](#)

The bill requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission Pto develop a new model for providing agile financial assistance for research, development, and demonstration of climate change mitigation technologies with transformational potential to meet the state's energy goals.

Agency position: Support (S2)

Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)/Circular Economy

AB 1509 (Mullin): Rechargeable batteries
[AB 1509](#)

This bill requires manufacturers of products with a non-removable rechargeable battery, to provide disassembly information to recyclers of rechargeable consumer products for the purpose of ensuring safe removal of the battery, and would prohibit the sale or offer of sale of that product if the manufacturer does not provide that information. Because a violation of these provisions would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

Agency position: Support (S1)
Sponsor/Support: ReThink Waste, Californians Against Waste

AB 1163 (Eggman): California Right to Repair Act
[AB 1163](#)

This is a reintroduction of a bill from last year, and will require manufacturers of electronics to make service literature and equipment or parts available to product owners and to regulated, independent repair shops.

Agency position: Support (S1)
Sponsor: Californians Against Waste

Bills to Watch

There are several bills that are on the "watch" list. These are bills that do not have details and are "spot" bills that will evolve over the next few months. The bills are listed below and details of these bills and links to the bill texts are included in Attachment A: 2019 Bill Matrix.

Plastic Pollution Prevention

AB 1672 (Bloom): Product labeling: flushable products

AB 1171 (Chen): Recycling: grocery store food packaging: sustainability standards

AB 129 (Bloom): Waste management: plastic microfiber

SB 372 (Wieckowski): Single-use plastic products: extended producer responsibility

Recycling

AB 827 (McCarty): Solid waste: commercial and organic waste: recycling bins

SB 213 (Wieckowski): Litter: receptacles

SB 33 (Skinner): Solid waste: reduction and recycling

AB 1583 (Eggman): The California Recycling Market Development Act

AB 792 (Ting): Recycling: plastic beverage containers: minimum content standards

AB 793 (Ting): Beverage container recycling: processors: reporting

AB 794 (Ting): Beverage container recycling: report to the Legislature

AB 815 (Aguilar-Curry): Source reduction and recycling element: dual stream recycling programs

AB 900 (Flora): Waste management: city source reduction and recycling element

AB 1488 (Burke): Recycling: plastic beverage containers: reporting

Climate/Energy

SB 739 (Stern): Climate change: research, development, and demonstration: financial assistance

AB 1276 (Bonta): Green New Deal

AB 915 (Mayes): California Renewables Portfolio Standards Program

AB 836 (Wicks): Bay Area Clean Air Incentive Program

AB 753 (Garcia): Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program: fueling infrastructure

AB 1236 (Lackey): Greenhouse gases: utilities: recycling: California Environmental Quality Act

AB 1195 (O'Donnell): Low-Carbon Fuel Standard regulations

AB 975 (Calderon): California Adaptation Leadership and Coordination Act of 2019

AB 839 (Mullin): Adaptation through Resiliency, Economic Vitality, and Equity Account

AB 660 (Levine): Building energy efficiency standards

Extended Producer Responsibility

AB 142 (Garcia): Lead-acid batteries

SB 724 (Stern): The California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act

SB 424 (Jackson): Solid waste: sharps disposal

AB 1770 (Frazier): Tire recycling program: rubberized pavement

AB 729 (Chu): Carpet recycling: carpet stewardship organizations

AB 187 (Garcia, Cristina): Used Mattress Recovery and Recycling Act: budget

Other

SB 613 (Stern): Healthy Soils Program

AB 1216 (Bauer-Kahan): Solid waste: illegal dumping

SB 726 (Caballero): Hazardous waste: materials exchange program
AB 1228 (Calderon): Waste management: city source reduction component

RECOMMENDATION

That the WMA Board adopt the recommended positions for the 2019 session of the California Legislature.

Attachment A: 2019 Bill Matrix



2019 LEGISLATIVE BILLS

PLASTIC POLLUTION PREVENTION/PACKAGING

	BILL	DETAILS	POSITION	NOTES
1	SB 54 Allen AB 1080 Gonzalez <u>California Circular Economy and Plastic Pollution Reduction Act</u>	<p>This bill requires CalRecycle, in consultation with the State Water Resources Control Board and the Ocean Protection Council, to adopt regulations to source reduce and recycle 75% of single-use packaging and products sold or distributed in California by 2030. The bill also requires adoption of regulations to source reduce single-use packaging and products at least 75% by 2030, and all single-use packaging and products to be recyclable or compostable on and after 2030. The bill directs CalRecycle to prepare a scoping plan to set a baseline for and achieve those reduction and recycling requirements.</p>	S1	<p>PRIORITY BILL</p> <p>Stopwaste, CAW, CPSC, ReThink Waste</p>
2	AB 886 Eggman <u>Plastic bags.</u>	<p>Existing law requires an operator of a retail store to establish an at-store recycling program that provides customers the opportunity to return clean plastic carryout bags to that store. The current law sunsets in January 2020.</p> <p>This bill would extend those requirements to January 1, 2021.</p>	S1	<p>Potential for plastic film insert.</p>

3	AB 1672 Bloom <u>Product labeling:</u> <u>flushable products</u>	Existing law regulates the labeling requirements on various consumer products. This bill prohibits the sale or advertisement of any nonwoven disposable product labeled as “flushable” or “sewer and septic safe” if that product fails to meet specified performance standards.	S3	
4	AB 1171 Chen <u>Recycling: grocery</u> <u>store food packaging:</u> <u>sustainability</u> <u>standards</u>	This bill encourages municipalities to adopt more effective sustainability standards for the recycling and composting of grocery store food packaging.	WATCH	
5	AB 129 Bloom <u>Waste management:</u> <u>plastic microfiber</u>	Existing law prohibits, on and after January 1, 2020, a person, business, or other entity from selling or offering for promotional purposes in this state a personal care product containing plastic microbeads. This bill recognizes the emerging threat that microfibers pose to the environment and water quality and would make related findings.	WATCH	CAW Sponsored
6	SB 372 Wieckowski <u>Single-use plastic</u> <u>products: extended</u> <u>producer responsibility</u>	This bill addresses extended producer responsibility for single-use plastic products, including collecting waste consisting of those products, the transport and treatment of those products, the costs of litter cleanup, and awareness-raising measures.	WATCH	

RECYCLING

7	<p>SB 667 Hueso</p> <p>Greenhouse gases: recycling infrastructure and facilities</p>	<p>This bill requires the State Air Resources Board department to develop a 5-year investment strategy to drive innovation and support technological development and infrastructure, in order to meet specified organic waste reduction and recycling targets.</p> <p>The bill requires an unspecified amount be appropriated in the annual Budget Act from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to be transferred into the California Recycling Infrastructure Investment Account for a five-year period.</p> <p>The bill requires coordination with the States of Nevada, Oregon, and Washington on infrastructure financing to support the recycling needs of the region and to create an advisory stakeholder committee to support development of interstate recycling infrastructure and markets for recyclable materials.</p>	S1	
8	<p>AB 827 McCarty</p> <p><u>Solid waste:</u> <u>commercial and</u> <u>organic waste:</u> <u>recycling bins</u></p>	<p>Existing law requires a business that generates 4 cubic yards or more of commercial solid waste or 8 cubic yards or more of organic waste per week to arrange for recycling services, as specified.</p> <p>This bill requires a business to provide customers with a recycling bin that is visible, easily accessible, and clearly marked with educational signage, as specified.</p>	S2	
9	<p>SB 213 Wieckowski</p> <p><u>Litter: receptacles</u></p>	<p>Existing law requires litter receptacles to be placed in all public places in the state, as specified, and provides that any person owning or operating any establishment or public place in which litter receptacles are required to be placed shall procure, place, and maintain those receptacles at that person's own expense on the premises. This bill would make non-substantive changes to those provisions.</p>	WATCH	

10	<p>SB 33 Skinner</p> <p><u>Solid waste: reduction and recycling</u></p>	<p>This bill addresses the collapse of foreign recycling markets by requiring reduction of solid waste generation, encouraging transition to compostable or recyclable materials, and fostering domestic recycling markets.</p>		ON HOLD
11	<p>AB 1583 Eggman</p> <p><u>The California Recycling Market Development Act</u></p>	<p>Existing law requires all rigid plastic bottles and rigid plastic containers sold in the state to be labeled with a code that indicates the resin used to produce the bottles or containers, with specified numbers and letters placed in relation to a triangle, designed as prescribed.</p> <p>This bill deletes the prescribed description of that triangle.</p>	WATCH	<p>Funding source – may include a bond or a tipping fee increase</p> <p>Sponsored by CAW/Republic</p>
12	<p>AB 792 Ting</p> <p><u>Recycling: plastic beverage containers: minimum content standards</u></p>	<p>The California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act, requires every beverage container sold or offered for sale in this state to have a minimum refund value.</p> <p>This bill sets minimum content standards for plastic beverage containers in California.</p>	WATCH	
13	<p>AB 793 Ting</p> <p><u>Beverage container recycling: processors: reporting</u></p>	<p>Existing law, the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act, requires a distributor to pay a redemption payment for every beverage container sold or offered for sale in the state to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery. Existing law requires processors of beverage containers to report specified information relating to beverage containers to the department, in the form and manner prescribed by the department, within 10 days after each month. This bill instead requires processors to submit those reports within 15 days after each month.</p>	WATCH	

14	<p>AB 794 Ting</p> <p><u>Beverage container recycling: report to the Legislature</u></p>	<p>This bill requires CalRecycle to conduct a study on the changes to the international recycling market since January 1, 2018, and provide, by January 1, 2021, recommendations to the Legislature on how to foster more recycling of beverage container materials within the state.</p>	WATCH	
15	<p>AB 815 Aguiar-Curry</p> <p><u>Integrated waste management plans: source reduction and recycling element: dual stream recycling programs</u></p>	<p>Existing law requires each city, county, and regional agency, if any, to develop a source reduction and recycling element of an integrated waste management plan and to divert from disposal 50% of all solid waste.</p> <p>This bill requires CalRecycle to find that a jurisdiction made a good faith effort to implement its source reduction and recycling element if the jurisdiction has adopted a dual stream recycling program.</p>	WATCH	
16	<p>AB 900 Flora</p> <p><u>Waste management: city source reduction and recycling element</u></p>	<p>The California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 requires each city and county to develop a source reduction and recycling element of an integrated waste management plan to divert 50% of all solid waste.</p> <p>This bill makes a nonsubstantive change to a provision relating to city source reduction and recycling elements.</p>	WATCH	

17	AB 1488 Burke <u>Recycling: plastic beverage containers: reporting</u>	<p>Under current law, CalRecycle is required to calculate a processing fee for each beverage container with a specified scrap value, which is required to be paid by beverage manufacturers for each beverage container sold or transferred to a distributor or dealer.</p> <p>This bill requires a reclaimer, on or before March 1, 2020, and annually thereafter, to report the amount of empty plastic beverage containers that it collected, washed, and processed in the state in the previous calendar year into bottle grade flake, pellet, sheet, or any other bottle grade form.</p>	WATCH	Industry Sponsored
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CLIMATE/ENERGY

18	SB 43 Allen <u>Carbon taxes</u>	<p>This bill requires the State Air Resources Board to conduct a study with an assessment on retail products sold or used in the state based on the carbon intensity of the product to encourage the use of less carbon-intensive products. The bill requires the revision of the 2017 scoping plan to reflect the carbon emission reduction benefits that may be realized through the imposition of the assessment based on carbon intensities of products and to consider the results of the study in future updates to the scoping plan.</p>	S1	
19	AB 1115 Quirk-Silva <u>State Air Resources Board: climate action plans</u>	<p>This bill directs the State Air Resources Board to support local governments on specific components of those local governments' climate action plans.</p>	S1	

20	<p>SB 739 Stern</p> <p><u>Climate change: research, development, and demonstration: financial assistance</u></p>	<p>The bill requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to develop a new model for providing financial assistance for research, development, and demonstration of climate change mitigation technologies with transformational potential to meet the state’s energy goals.</p>	S2	
21	<p>AB 915 Mayes</p> <p><u>California Renewables Portfolio Standards Program</u></p>	<p>The bill requires the PUC, on or before January 1, 2021, to submit to the Legislature a report identifying all statutory and regulatory requirements and mandates that pertain to achieving the state’s clean energy goals and identifying and providing options to prevent related negative outcomes.</p>	S3	
22	<p>AB 836 Wicks</p> <p><u>Bay Area Clean Air Incentive Program</u></p>	<p>This bill establishes the Bay Area Clean Air Incentive Program to provide funding through a grant program to retrofit ventilation systems to create a network of clean air centers to mitigate the adverse public health impacts due to wildfires and other smoke events, as specified.</p>	S3	
23	<p>AB 753 Garcia</p> <p><u>Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program: fuels: fueling infrastructure</u></p>	<p>This bill requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to make available at least 30% of the moneys available for allocation as part of the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program for projects to produce alternative and renewable low-carbon fuels in the state, and projects to develop stand-alone alternative and renewable fuel infrastructure, fueling stations, and equipment.</p>	S3	

24	AB 1276 Bonta <u>Green New Deal</u>	<p>This bill enacts legislation to develop and implement a Green New Deal with the objective of reaching specified environmental outcomes within the target window of 10 years from the start of execution of the plan and accomplishing certain social goals.</p>	WATCH	
25	AB 1236 Lackey <u>Public resources:</u> <u>greenhouse gases:</u> <u>utilities: recycling:</u> <u>California</u> <u>Environmental Quality</u> <u>Act</u>	<p>This bill requires the State Air Resources Board for a market-based compliance mechanism applicable from January 1, 2021, to December 31, 2030, to develop and adopt a carbon offset compliance protocol for recycled product manufacturing no later than January 1, 2022.</p>	WATCH	
26	AB 1195 O'Donnell <u>California Global</u> <u>Warming Solutions Act</u> <u>of 2006: Low-Carbon</u> <u>Fuel Standard</u> <u>regulations</u>	<p>This bill requires the State Air Resources Board to recognize the use of renewable natural gas to displace the existing use of natural gas by oil and natural gas companies.</p>	WATCH	

27	<p>AB 975 Calderon</p> <p><u>Environmental protection: California Adaptation Leadership and Coordination Act of 2019</u></p>	<p>This bill requires the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to support and promote the state’s goals and policies relating to ocean, coastal, and terrestrial adaptation, and to take specified actions related to accomplishing those goals and policies.</p>	WATCH	
28	<p>AB 839 Mullin</p> <p><u>Climate adaptation: strategy: Adaptation through Resiliency, Economic Vitality, and Equity Account</u></p>	<p>This bill requires the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency, no later than July 1, 2021, to adopt and implement a comprehensive, coordinated, and proactive strategy for the state to adapt to the unavoidable impacts of climate change, with the intent to ensure the state is prepared for climate change impacts modeled for 2050 and beyond.</p> <p>The bill would require the establishment of an advisory committee to assist in the development and implementation of the strategy.</p>	WATCH	
29	<p>AB 660 Levine</p> <p><u>Building energy efficiency standards</u></p>	<p>This bill requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, commencing in 2020, to remove obstacles to selecting light-colored, cool roof materials for steep-sloped roofs and that would require the commission to consider increasing the minimum aged solar reflectance requirement for steep-sloped roofs on both new and existing nonresidential and residential buildings across California and for low-slope roofs on high-rise residential buildings by 2030.</p>	WATCH	

EXTENDED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY

30	AB 1509 Mullin <u>Solid waste:</u> <u>rechargeable batteries:</u> <u>rechargeable consumer</u> <u>products</u>	<p>This bill requires manufacturers of products with a nonremovable rechargeable battery, to provide disassembly information to recyclers of rechargeable consumer products for the purpose of ensuring safe removal of the battery, and would prohibit the sale or offer of sale of that product if the manufacturer does not provide that information. Because a violation of these provisions would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p>	S1	ReThink Waste/CPSC/CAW
31	AB 1163 Eggman <u>Right to Repair</u>	<p>This is a reintroduction of a bill from last year, and will require manufacturers of electronics to make service literature and equipment or parts available to product owners and to regulated, independent repair shops.</p>	S1	Sponsored by Californians Against Waste
32	AB 142 Garcia, Cristina <u>Lead-acid batteries</u>	<p>The Lead-Acid Battery Recycling Act of 2016 requires, until March 31, 2022, a manufacturer battery fee of \$1 to be imposed on a manufacturer of lead-acid batteries for each lead-acid battery it sells at retail to a person in California.</p> <p>This bill increases the amount of the manufacturer battery fee to \$2 and would provide that the fee would continue indefinitely.</p>	S3	

33	<p>SB 724 Stern</p> <p><u>The California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act</u></p>	<p>Existing law authorizes CalRecycle to grant a convenience zone an exemption from certain redemption requirements, including certain dealer and recycling center redemption requirements, based on certain factors. Existing law limits the total number of exemptions that may be granted to 35% of the total number of convenience zones identified as having one or more of those factors applicable.</p> <p>This bill requires CalRecycle to grant that convenience zone an exemption from the redemption requirements and would increase the total number of exemptions that may be granted to 50% of the number identified as eligible.</p>	WATCH	
34	<p>SB 424 Jackson</p> <p><u>Solid waste: sharps disposal</u></p>	<p>Existing law requires a manufacturer or distributor of sharps, or another specified entity, to establish and implement a stewardship program for the collection, transportation, and disposal of home-generated sharps waste.</p> <p>This bill requires a plan submitted to the department on or after July 1, 2021, to include a description of the number and types of devices sold or distributed in the state by the manufacturer.</p>	WATCH	
35	<p>AB 1770 Frazier</p> <p><u>Tire recycling program: rubberized pavement</u></p>	<p>The California Tire Recycling Act requires a person who purchases a new tire to pay a California tire fee to pay the costs of operating the tire recycling program. The act provides that the tire recycling program may include the awarding of grants, loans, subsidies, and rebates and the payment of incentives for various purposes related to reducing landfill disposal of used whole tires and tire recycling.</p> <p>This bill extends the operation of the Rubberized Pavement Market Development Act to June 30, 2024.</p>	WATCH	

36	AB 729 Chu <u>Carpet recycling: carpet stewardship organizations: succession: procedure</u>	<p>This bill requires a carpet stewardship organization to include a description of the process by which the carpet stewardship organization will transfer assessment funds to a successor carpet stewardship organization if such an action becomes necessary.</p>	WATCH	
37	AB 187 Garcia, Cristina <u>Used Mattress Recovery and Recycling Act: budget</u>	<p>The Used Mattress Recovery and Recycling Act, administered by the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, authorizes a mattress recycling organization to be established by a qualified industry association to develop, implement, and administer a mattress recycling program.</p> <p>This bill requires the inclusion in the proposed program budget a recommended funding level sufficient to cover the plan's budgeted costs and to operate the mattress recycling program over a 6-month period.</p>	WATCH	Sponsor: Mattress Recycling Council

ORGANICS/FOOD

38	AB 614 Eggman <u>Income taxes: credits: food banks</u>	<p>This bill expands the credit to apply to the donation of qualified items, defined as raw agricultural products or processed foods and expands the definition of qualified taxpayer to also include persons responsible for growing or raising a qualified donation item, or harvesting, packing, or processing a qualified donation item.</p>	S2	
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39	<p>SB 613 Stern</p> <p>Agriculture: greenhouse gas mitigation: Healthy Soils Program</p>	<p>This bill explores opportunities to fund the Healthy Soils Program that was established to optimize climate benefits while supporting the economic viability of California agriculture by providing incentives, including loans, grants, research, and technical assistance, and educational materials and outreach, to farmers whose management practices contribute to healthy soils and result in net long-term on-farm greenhouse gas benefits.</p>	WATCH	
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OTHER

40	<p>AB 1216 Bauer-Kahan</p> <p><u>Solid waste: illegal dumping</u></p>	<p>This bill addresses illegal dumping.</p>	WATCH	Sponsored by Alameda County
41	<p>SB 726 Caballero</p> <p><u>Hazardous waste: public agencies: materials exchange program</u></p>	<p>Existing law authorizes a public agency or its contractor to operate a household hazardous waste collection facility for the purpose of collecting, handling, treating, storing, recycling, or disposing of household hazardous waste. Existing law authorizes a public agency to conduct a materials exchange program as a part of its household hazardous waste collection program.</p> <p>This bill authorizes a public agency’s contractor to conduct that materials exchange program. Because a violation of this provision would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p>	WATCH	

42	<p>AB 1228 Calderon</p> <p><u>Waste management: city source reduction component</u></p>	<p>Existing law requires a city or county source reduction component to, among other things, evaluate and identify rate structures and fees to reduce the amount of wastes that generators produce.</p> <p>This bill requires the city source reduction component to additionally evaluate and identify incentivizing programs for that same purpose. To the extent this bill would add to the duties of cities, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p>	WATCH	
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