



# **AB 1583 Statewide Commission on Recycling Markets and Curbside Recycling Report and Policies Update**

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- In 2019, Governor Newsom signed into law The California Recycling Market Development Act (AB 1583)
- Establishing the Statewide Commission on Recycling Markets and Curbside Recycling with priorities to:
  - develop California markets for processing and re-manufacturing recycled materials,
  - achieve the Senate Bill 1383 targets,
  - achieve the state policy goal of Assembly Bill 341 that at least 75% of solid waste generated be source reduced, recycled or composted, and
  - identify products that are recyclable or compostable as defined by Public Resource Code 42370.2

# Preliminary Policy Recommendations

On December 21, 2020, the Commission submitted to the Legislature a Preliminary Report which includes 19 policy recommendations focused on:

- Reducing the risk of fire and other hazards from discarded materials,
- Eliminating some packaging that impedes recycling,
- Reconfiguring recycling market development efforts to improve effectiveness, and
- A commitment to ensure that materials separated for recovery will be processed in a manner that does not contradict environmental goals.

# Task Force Policy Recommendations (TFPR)

November 2020 the Task Force submitted a letter to the Commission with 10 Policy Recommendations:

1. Extend the SB 1383 regulatory deadlines, and regulatory relief.
2. **Consolidate facility permitting processes based on performance.**
3. **Expand Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR).**
4. **Support Reuse and Repair Markets, and require a percentage of reusables.**
5. **Increase the Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) fund.**
6. **Prioritize information, education, trainings, and outreach.**
7. Utilize Advanced Conversion Technologies (ACTs).
8. Support renewable natural gas (RNG) and new Low NOx engines.
9. Ensure proper controls for materials in Quarantine Zones.
10. Fund needed recycling infrastructure and services including prioritizing GGRF funds for recycling.

# Commission Policy Recommendations By Committee

## Source Reduction:

- 1. Extending Producer Responsibilities Framework for Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) (TFPR #3)**
2. Transition from Single-Use Propane Cylinders to Refillable

## Market Development:

5. State Agency Buy Recycled Campaign
- 6. Recycling Market Development Zone Loan Program (TFPR #5)**
- 7. Consolidated Permit Process Utilization and Enhancement (TFPR #2)**
- 8. Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz) Enhanced Role (TFPR #4)**
- 9. CalRecycle Market Development Focus (TFPR #4)**
11. Carpet Stewardship and Flooring

# Commission Policy Recommendations By Committee (continued)

## Organics:

- 3. Precautionary Principle
- 4. Problem Products - Incentives and Disincentives
- 12. Food Recovery Policies
- 19. Compostable Products Certification and Approval for Composting or Anaerobic Digestion

## Recycling:

- 10. Controls on Plastic Waste Exports
- 13. Right to Repair Proposal (TFPR # 4)**
- 14. Beverage Container Recycling, Changes to the Bottle Bill and Support CalRecycle AB 54 Report
- 15. What is Recyclable?
- 16. Design for Recyclability: Plastic Container Labels and Shrink Sleeves
- 17. Design for Recyclability: Beverage Containers
- 18. Label Restriction to Stop Plastic Bag/Film Contamination in Curbside Recycling

# Timeline & Website



AB 1583 Statewide Commission:

[www.calrecycle.ca.gov/markets/commission](http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/markets/commission)

- Listserv
- Commission Documents
- Submit Public Comments