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# **Household Hazardous Waste Permanent Collection Centers**



Task Force Public Education and Information Subcommittee

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## **City of Los Angeles S.A.F.E Permanent Collection Centers**

Open Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., unless otherwise noted. Services suspended during rainy weather. For information, call (800) 98-TOXIC (988-6942).

### **Gaffey Street Collection Center**

1400 N. Gaffey Street, San Pedro, CA 90731

## **Hyperion Treatment Plant**

7660 W. Imperial Highway, Gate B, Playa Del Rey, CA 90293

## **Washington Boulevard Collection Center**

2649 E. Washington Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90021

### Randall Street S.A.F.E. Center

11025 Randall Street, Sun Valley, CA 91352

**UCLA Location** (E-waste accepted on Saturdays only) 550 Charles E. Young Drive West, Los Angeles, CA 90095 Open Friday and Saturday 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

### **Los Angeles/Glendale Collection Center**

4600 Colorado Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90039

# **Los Angeles County Permanent Collection Centers**

### **Antelope Valley Environmental Collection Center**

Antelope Valley Public Landfill, 1200 West City Ranch Road, Palmdale, CA 93551 Open 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

#### **EDCO Environmental Collection Center**

EDCO Recycling and Transfer Center, 2755 California Avenue, Signal Hill, CA 90755 Open 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

## **About Household Hazardous Waste**

Items accepted: paint and solvents, used motor oil and filters, anti-freeze and other automotive fluids, cleaning products, pool and garden chemicals, aerosol cans, all medicines except for controlled substances, auto batteries, household batteries, computers, monitors, printers, network equipment, cables, telephones, televisions, microwaves, video games, cell phones, radios, stereos, VCRs and electronic toys. Not accepted: business waste, ammunition, explosives, radioactive material, trash, tires and bulky items such as furniture, refrigerators, washing machines/dryers and stoves.

# **Organic Waste Recycling**



As of January 1, 2022, Senate Bill (SB) 1383 has taken full effect. SB 1383 establishes statewide targets to reduce the amount of organic waste disposed of in landfills (50% reduction by 2020 and 75% by 2025). It also sets a goal to rescue at least 20% of currently disposed edible food by 2025 through food recovery agencies. To assist with these efforts, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors adopted a mandatory organic waste disposal reduction ordinance that also took effect on January 1, 2022. The ordinance requires all residents as well as businesses and/or property owners to subscribe to organic waste collection service or to manage their organic waste through self-hauling or on-site management. It also requires large edible food generating businesses to recover excess edible food through food recovery organizations.

Los Angeles County Public Works has been the lead agency ensuring the County complies with SB 1383. Public Works is amending current waste hauler contracts and adding new ones with mandatory organic waste collection services for businesses and residents. Public Works is in the process of transitioning current commercial non–exclusive franchise agreements to an exclusive franchise system which will include eight zones by August 1, 2022. This will allow the County to implement SB 1383 requirements for commercial customers.

Effective July 1, 2022, unincorporated Los Angeles County will have a total of 15 residential franchise areas that will begin receiving organic waste collection service pursuant to SB 1383 regulations. Public Works also provides waste collection services in seven Garbage Disposal Districts (GDDs). Three GDDs are already receiving organic waste collection service and the remaining four have contracts that are being amended for service to start by July 1, 2022.

Public Works is in the process of developing four new GDDs in and around Antelope Valley by the end of 2023.

Outreach efforts are already underway. Flyers and brochures have been developed for residents to inform them about the importance of organic waste diversion. In some areas, waste haulers have been going door-to-door to residents and providing them with kitchen pails along with informational materials to help residents adjust to the process. We have scheduled various community meetings and workshops for jurisdictions.

Public Works is looking forward to a very productive and informative 2022. With Los Angeles County communities on board, the State's goals can be reached while combatting global warming and other environmental issues.

# Senate Bill 619 Provides Administrative Penalty Relief for Senate Bill 1383 Violations



Local jurisdictions throughout California are required to implement Senate Bill (SB) 1383 regulations, that went into effect January 1, 2022. Many jurisdictions preparing to implement the regulations face challenges in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Governor Newsom signed Senate Bill (SB) 619 into law to support local governments to design and implement needed organic waste recycling programs throughout the State.

SB 619 authorizes the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to waive civil penalties if a jurisdiction facing continuous violations submits a Notification of Intent to Comply (NOIC) with the regulatory requirements and implements a plan to correct their violations in a timely manner. Jurisdictions must submit a NOIC to CalRecycle before March 1, 2022, for relief from penalties for minor, moderate, and major violations as defined in 14 CCR § 18997.3 for the 2022 calendar year. The local jurisdiction's governing body must also provide a resolution for adopting the NOIC in writing. Jurisdictions are required to provide a written justification why they will be out of compliance, including a list of compliance action items for the jurisdiction and a timeline of implementation. The completed NOIC and resolution will include:

- A description, with specificity, of the continuing violations
- A detailed explanation of the reasons, along with supporting documentation, why the local jurisdiction is unable to comply with the SB 1383 regulations

- A description of how the COVID-19 pandemic impacted compliance
- A description of the proposed actions the local jurisdiction will take to comply within the proposed timeline

Within 45 business days of receiving the notification and resolution, CalRecycle must notify the local jurisdiction with approval, disapproval with a justification, request for additional information or commit to a particular timeline for a final decision on approval or disapproval.

On January 13, 2022, and November 18, 2021, CalRecycle hosted statewide webinars to explain the NOIC process. Both webinars included a review of the NOIC form and a question-and-answer session. The recordings and presentations are available on CalRecycle's website provided below.

CalRecycle will periodically update the webpage with new resources for jurisdictions, local education agencies and non-local entities. CalRecycle has developed a SB 1383 guidance document which covers CalRecycle's enforcement process along with a dedicated website with additional resources and guidance documents on submitting the Notification of Intent to Comply with SB 1383 Regulations.

If you have questions about CalRecycle's Short-Lived Climate Pollutant program or would like additional resources on SB 619, visit CalRecycle's site on Enforcement of Organics Waste Collection, Processing, and Diversion from Landfills or contact the "Organic Waste Methane Emissions Reductions" staff at SLCP.Organics@calrecycle.ca.gov.

# California's Assembly Bill (AB 1690) Targets Single-Use Tobacco and Vape Components



Cigarette filters and single-use electronic vaping devices known as e-cigarettes continue to cause worldwide environmental, physical, and financial harm without any manufacturer responsibility. A study conducted by the California Department of Transportation found that cigarette butts make up 34% of the total waste captured in California. Cigarette butts are the most common toxic waste found in cleanups throughout the state. According to truth initiative, 98% of cigarette filters are made of plastic fibers (cellulose acetate) that are tightly packed together. These filters concentrate toxins such as lead, nicotine, arsenic, copper and several harmful polyaromatic hydrocarbons. Improperly disposed filters of cigarettes make their way into waterways, plants, and soils. The toxins from filters of cigarettes can be deadly to aquatic life.

Vaping devices contain rechargeable lithium-ion batteries and various liquid nicotine mixtures. These devices also pose a threat to human health and the environment if they are not properly handled and disposed. The cartridges, batteries and liquids need to be taken to appropriate hazardous waste facilities to be safely disposed. However, vaping devices are often advertised and sold as disposable.

Assemblymembers Luz Rivas, Petrie-Norris and Stone along with a combination of 13 principal co-authors in the Assembly and Senate have joined together to introduce AB 1690 to prohibit the sale of both single use vaping devices and tobacco filters in the State. The bill is not banning the sale of tobacco and cannabis products; but instead,

is targeting tobacco filters and single-use vaping devices. Local authorities will be responsible for enforcing the bill and anyone caught in violation will be charged with civil penalties of \$500 per violation.

New York also introduced similar pending legislation that would ban outright the sale of cigarettes with single-use filters and single-use e-cigarettes by 2023. In the past, California lawmakers have tried to pass similar legislation to reduce litter from cigarette butts and vaping products, but these bills did not get passed. This bill was created in part by recommendations from the Ocean Protection Council and the Statewide Commission on Recycling Markets and Curbside Recycling. The Ocean Protection Council's Statewide Microplastic strategy recommended that California prohibit the sale of single-use tobacco products including cigarette filters and electronic vapes.

During a press-release event held on January 25, 2022, Assemblymember Luz Rivas expressed her concerns and reason for the bill "why have we let the tobacco industry pollute oceans and soils, injure children and pets and kill already at-risk wildlife?" Assemblymember Luz Rivas expressed "there's no justification for it and that's why we must act now and get rid of a decades long pollutant and health hazard."

For more information visit leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill id=202120220AB1690.

# **CalRecycle Grant Opportunities**



Senate Bill (SB) 1383 regulations were effective on January 1, 2022, and many jurisdictions continue to struggle with funding and capacity needs. The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) released two grant opportunities titled "Co-Digestion Grant Program" and "SB 1383 Local Assistance Grant Program" to provide jurisdictions with the necessary funding for implementation of the regulations and organic waste processing infrastructure.

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2021—22 Budget Act includes a funding for a circular economy. The funding will support development of organic waste recycling infrastructure, edible food recovery and recycling of non-organic materials. The Circular Economy Package allocates \$10,000,000 to CalRecycle's Co-Digestion Grant Program for FY 2021—22 and \$10,000,000 for FY 2022—23, minus five percent for administration costs.

The Co-Digestion Grant Program will provide funding to build new and expanded food waste co-digestion projects at existing publicly owned wastewater treatment plants to increase anaerobic digestion infrastructure capacity. These investments will provide funding for organic waste receiving stations, biogas treatment equipment, biosolids dewatering infrastructure and more. Eligible applicants include local

governments, cities, counties, regional or local sanitation and solid waste agencies or Joint Powers Authorities. The application due date for this grant is April 2022.

The Circular Economy Package also allocates \$60,000,000 for the SB 1383 Local Assistance Grant Program for FY 2021—22, minus five percent for administration costs. CalRecycle proposes setting a base award amount of \$20,000 for eligible entities. The remaining funds will be distributed to eligible entities based on per capita calculations using the Department of Finance's January 2021 population statistics. The application due date for this grant was February 1, 2022.

The SB 1383 Local Assistance Grant Program will provide funding to local jurisdictions to assist with the implementation of regulatory requirements associated with SB 1383, including but not limited to capacity planning, collection, edible food recovery, education and outreach, enforcement and inspection, program evaluation/gap analysis, procurement requirements and record keeping.

For more information, contact Los Angeles Public Works – Kawsar Vazifdar at (626) 458–3514 or kvazifdar@pw.lacounty.gov.

# **Countywide Mattress Recycling Program**





The Countywide Mattress Recycling Program (MRP) coordinates a multipronged effort to combat illegal dumping, bring awareness to free mattress recycling options and maximize the recycling of this undervalued waste material at no cost to all County residents. Most County residents receive multiple annual free bulky item pick-up services from their waste haulers. Residents can also visit Bye Bye Mattress for multiple permanent locations to bring their unwanted mattress. When constituents recycle, mattress and box spring materials they recycled into carpet, appliances, building materials, textiles, renewable fuel and more.

In partnership with the Mattress Recycling Council (MRC) the County offers free community Mattress Recycling Collection Events throughout the year at various locations. All County residents are welcome to participate at any of these County events. MRP events are very successful in the North County region and Los Angeles County Public Works team is currently working to expand this program to new locations.

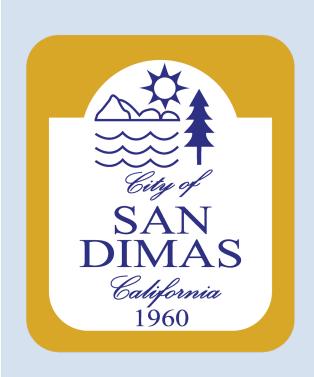
The County is also a participant in the California Illegally Dumped Mattress Collection Initiative, sponsored by MRC. As a participant, the County receives reimbursement for illegally dumped mattresses and box springs collected by Public Works Road Maintenance District crews and County contracted waste haulers. These funds are then used to support MRP and the County's

broader goals in reducing illegal dumping while increasing recycling and landfill diversion.

To report illegal dumping, residents should call the County's Illegal Dumping Hotline at 1-888-8-DUMPING. County residents can also visit the CleanLA website or call 1(888) CLEAN-LA for more information on other environmental services and educational materials. The CleanLA website includes important information about organic waste management, household hazardous waste, electronic waste, non-controlled medical waste (including sharps/syringes), free tire recycling, smart gardening and more. For more information, contact Los Angeles County Public Works – Jason Jones at (626) 476-3517 or jajones@pw.lacounty.gov.



# **Cruising into Compliance through Collaboration**





All city solid waste compliance staff that prepared for Senate Bill 1383 had a challenging task. In smaller cities, these challenges are even more apparent, with limited dedicated solid waste personnel and minimal funds allocated to these activities. The cities of La Verne and San Dimas, with similar size and location both have exclusive franchise waste agreements with Waste Management (WM), saw opportunities for collaboration.

First, City of La Verne staff took a deep dive into the legislative content before making a detailed list of tasks for completion. Then, the cities and WM began dividing up the work into manageable components.

WM had organics collection and processing capacity; the city of San Dimas began addressing the food rescue components. Staff identified Tier one and two generators and sent letters to contact the correct employees to better understand existing operations. Then, La Verne staff created checklists containing specific items to be assessed during inspections, to meet all legal requirements. Next, San Dimas staff coordinated meetings with companies that reside in both cities. Meetings were held to introduce key players at each City and organization, review the checklists and identify to work through any gaps. Hosting meetings with staff from both cities saved time for

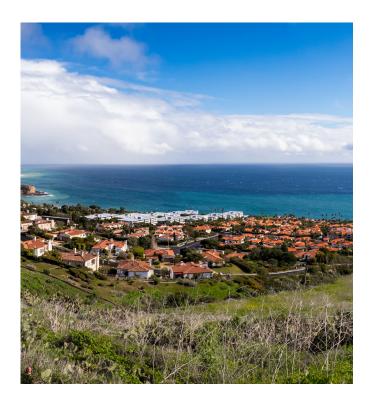
the businesses and allowed multiple perspectives when working through challenges.

For outreach, WM updated graphics addressing collection requirements, to help educate communities on shifting their food waste from the trash cart, into the green cart. Appealing and concise brochures were created by San Dimas, in coordination with La Verne to be distributed to the various sectors. These documents were also used when meeting with Tier one generators to help meet education requirements and address any questions.

Both cities made a joint purchase of countertop pails for residential customers. Due to the economies of scale, this joint purchase lowered costs. Additionally, outreach and accompanying documents for the pails were developed and ordered collectively, saving time and money.

Additionally, the cities were able to meet with CalRecycle on several occasions to clarify ambiguities in the law, express concerns about certain compliance aspects and seek assistance on overcoming roadblocks. Having multiple stakeholders involved in the discussion helped provide more variety in proposed solutions.

# SB 1383 Implementation in Rancho Palos Verdes



On January 18, 2022, the City Council of Rancho Palos Verdes approved an agreement with EDCO to provide organics waste collection to residential customers single-family and multi-family dwellings after April 1, 2022. A Proposition 218 public hearing was scheduled for the March 15, 2022 City Council meeting. If approved, residential organic waste will be collected, and residents will place their organic waste in their green waste carts. A robust public outreach program including newsletters, mailers, social media posts and list server announcements is planned. The implementation of the business/commercial sector organic waste recycling will follow afterward.

For more information visit the City of Rancho Pales Verde website at rpvca.gov.







Once the cities and WM came to an agreement over organics program implementation and outreach materials, each City created a section of their website to make this information easily accessible for residents and businesses. This information has been included on social media, postcards, newsletters, and City recreation guides. Staff also developed an organics program coloring sheet for local students, to get children involved in the new program.

Overall, the collective efforts of both cities, WM and CalRecycle have helped put the communities of La Verne and San Dimas on a strong path to waste compliance.

For additional information, visit the City of La Verne website at cityoflaverne.org and the City of San Dimas at sandimasca.gov.

# **City of South El Monte** – *Champions for A Better Environment!*



Your grandparents or parents most likely spent most of their lives dumping all their waste into one bin that was destined for the landfill. For the City of South El Monte (SEM), the change is being embraced by today's generation of residents, as they have an important role in source separating general waste, recycling and organic materials. The residents, now in their everyday life, lead SEM to a cleaner and more environmentally friendly future.

At SEM, city staff have been working closely with Athens Services in a joint effort to seamlessly transition residents from a single barrel mixed-waste program to a source-separated three-barrel program. This is a remarkable transformation for the City and its residents! Change was never going to be easy, especially during a pandemic, but SEM residents have proven to be champions of change for a better environment. Within a matter of months, residents of all ages participated in numerous community events, engaging in conversations, learning more about managing their own waste and participating in activities and games designed to educate all ages on better waste and recycling practices. As a result, SEM has experienced a huge success in transforming SEM's manual waste and recycling hauling to a state-of-the-art citywide automation program.

On June 2021, SEM adopted an "Organic Waste Disposal Reduction" Ordinance and has continued to make significant strides to maintain compliance with state laws (SB 1383, AB1826, AB827, AB619, etc.).

On September 14, 2021, the City Council approved a contract amendment with the City's waste hauler to provide enhanced waste/recycling services to the community. The featured enhancements



include several citywide clean-up and composting events throughout the year and multiple "no-cost" bulky-item pick-ups per residence.

On January 1, 2022, SEM transitioned from a manual ("hand-tossed" mixed waste and green waste collection) program to a source separated waste, recycling, and organics program. While undergoing this transition we have been very successful in connecting with residents and businesses, providing educational materials, conducting door-to-door visits, and encouraging the best practices for waste disposal and recycling.

And, leading by example, the City conducted a full assessment of its public facilities to identify any gaps in its internal operations. This effort has led to the City making its own adjustments to comply with the new law and lead as a productive citizen in the SEM community. Additionally, City personnel is participating in workshops to learn more about educating the public on best practices for waste disposal and recycling and are using these practices in and outside the workplace.

As SEM moves into the new era of organics and recycling, the City's residents are adapting and serving as a leading example for other cities. The City Council gives the residents and business owners of SEM an enormous, "THANK-YOU" for leading the charge for a better future in SEM.

For more information contact Colby Cataldi at (626) 579-6540 or customercare@soelmonte.org.

# **SUMMER 2022 LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**

The Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) continuously monitors and analyzes legislation that may impact solid waste management in Los Angeles County. Below are summaries of legislation the Task Force has taken a position on during the second half of the 2021/2022 Legislative Session.

# **California State Legislation:**

Bill Number / Author	Task Force Position	Status
<b>AB 1</b> Cristina Garcia and Santiago	Oppose Unless Amended	Senate Committee on Environmental Quality and
This bill would create the Board of Environm	ental Safety within CalEPA with duties which would	Committee on Judiciary among other things include reviewing policies, processes, and
(DTSC) to prepare a state hazardous waste ma	nagement plan, every three years and present it to th	cy changes. Require the Department of Toxic Substances Control e board for approval. This bill would repeal the generator fee and generation and handling fee of \$35.50 for each ton of hazardous

#### **AB 363**

Medina Support If Amended Senate Committee on Transportation

waste generated and would increase the base rate and revise the tiered payment structure for hazardous waste facilities.

This bill would require CARB, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to develop project grant criteria and guidelines for a new On-Road Heavy-Duty Vehicle Incentive Program (VIP2) that shall provide additional incentives for projects eligible for program funding that are deployed in disadvantaged communities provided, and in low-income communities. The bill would authorize, for purposes of the VIP2, CARB to allow existing engines or existing vehicles regardless of model year, and all on-road heavy-duty vehicle types, regardless of vehicle type or application, to participate in the VIP2, among other VIP2 components.

### **AB 661**

Bennett Support If Amended

Senate Committee on Governmental Organization and Committee on Environmental Quality

This bill would require a state agency, if fitness and quality are equal, to purchase recycled products instead of nonrecycled products, without regard to cost. The bill would require CalRecycle, in consultation with the Department of General Services (DGS), to update a list of products and minimum recycled content percentages, commencing January 1, 2025, and every 3 years thereafter. Requires the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) and the DGS to incorporate the updated list of products and minimum recycled content requirements into the State Contracting Manual, the Financial Information System for California, and the financial system of any department not utilizing the Financial Information System for California.

## **Bill Number / Author**

# **Task Force Position**

## **Status**

**AB 1690** 

Norris, and Stone Support If Amended Assembly Committee on Judiciary

This bill would prohibit a person or entity from selling, giving, or furnishing to another person, of any age, in this state a single-use electronic cigarette, except as specified. This bill would authorize a city attorney, county counsel, or district attorney to assess a \$500 civil fine against each person determined to have violated those prohibitions in a proceeding conducted pursuant to the procedures of the enforcing agency.

#### **AB 1747**

Quirk Support

Assembly Committee on Appropriations

This bill would provide that the list of violations that constitute cause for a disciplinary action by the Contractors State License Board includes a willful or deliberate disregard of any state or local law relating to the issuance of building permits and would authorize a civil penalty not to exceed \$30,000 for any violation.

#### **AB 1817**

Ting and Cristina Garcia

Support If Amended/Oppose Unless Amended

Assembly Committee on Environmental Safety and

Toxic Materials

This bill would prohibit, beginning January 1, 2024, any person from distributing, selling, or offering for sale in the state any textile articles that contain regulated perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), and requires a manufacturer to use the least toxic alternative when removing regulated PFAS in textile articles to comply with these provisions.

#### **AB 1857**

Cristina Garcia

Oppose Unless Amended

Assembly Committee on Appropriations

The bill repeals the provision of law that allows jurisdictions to include up to 10% of the waste sent to transformation toward their 50% solid waste diversion requirement. The bill will also require CalRecycle to certify that a local agency is in compliance with specified requirements before approving a permit for a new transformation, engineered municipal solid waste (EMSW) conversion or land disposal facility; and creates a grant program to enable communities to transition to zero-waste strategies.

#### **AB 1985**

Robert Rivas

Support

Assembly Committee on Appropriations

This bill would require CalRecycle to compile and maintain on its internet website a list, organized by ZIP Code, of information regarding persons or entities that produce and have available in the state organic waste products and update the list at least every 6 months. The bill would require that a person or entity seeking to be on the list send a written request to the department that includes certain information, including a description of the available organic waste products.

Bill Number / Author Task Force Position Status

**AB 2048** 

Santiago Oppose Unless Amended Senate Committee pending referral

This bill would require each local jurisdiction to post on its internet website current franchise agreements between contract waste and recycling haulers and public agencies that are within the jurisdiction of the local jurisdiction. Requires each local agency to provide to CalRecycle the direct electronic link to those posted agreements. Requires CalRecycle to create and maintain a publicly accessible database that provides direct electronic links to those posted franchise agreements.

**AB 2208** 

Kalra Support Senate Committee pending referral

This bill would prohibit, on and after January 1, 2024, a compact fluorescent lamp and, on and after January 1, 2025, a linear fluorescent lamp from being offered for final sale, sold at final sale, or distributed in this state as a new manufactured product. The bill would exempt various lamps that meet specified criteria from that prohibition, including lamps used for image capture and projection and lamps used for disinfection.

**AB 2374** 

Bauer-Kahan Support Assembly Committee on Appropriations

This bill would increase the maximum fine for the dumping of commercial quantities of waste by a business that employs more than 10 employees from \$3,000 to \$5000 for the first conviction, from \$6,000 to \$10,000 for the second conviction, and from \$10,000 to \$20,000 for the third and any subsequent convictions. Would also require, instead of authorize, the court to order a person convicted of dumping commercial quantities of waste to remove, or pay for the removal of, the waste matter that was illegally dumped; requires the court to notify the issuing entity of certain professional or business licenses or permits held by the convicted person, that are related to the illegal dumping activity for which the person has been convicted, if applicable, and would require those entities to post information regarding these convictions on their internet website.

**AB 2440** 

Irwin Support Assembly Committee on Appropriations

This bill would make the Rechargeable Battery Recycling Act of 2006 and the Cell Phone Recycling Act of 2004 inoperative as of September 30, 2026, would repeal those acts as of January 1, 2027. Would enact the Responsible Battery Recycling Act of 2022, which would require producers, either individually or through a stewardship organization, to establish a stewardship program for the collection and recycling of covered batteries and covered battery-embedded products. The bill would require a producer or stewardship organization to develop a stewardship plan and would prescribe the standards and elements required to be contained in a stewardship plan for covered batteries and in a stewardship plan for covered battery-embedded products. The bill would require a stewardship organization or producer to have a complete stewardship plan approved by CalRecycle on or before December 31, 2025. (Companion bill SB 1215)

**AB 2784** 

Ting and Irwin Support Assembly Committee on Appropriations

This bill would require the total thermoform plastic containers sold by a producer to contain specified amounts of postconsumer thermoform recycled plastic based on a tiered plan commencing January 1, 2025; no less than 20% or 30% postconsumer recycled plastic per year on and after July 1, 2030. The bill would require certain importers and manufacturers of thermoform plastic containers to register and pay a fee to CalRecycle and would require those entities and certain purchasers and exporters to report specified sales and other information. This bill would authorize CalRecycle to conduct audits and investigations and take any enforcement action against a producer to ensure compliance.

# Bill Number / Author Task Force Position Status

**SB 45** 

Portantino Support In Concept Assembly Committee on Natural Resources

The bill would require CalRecycle, in consultation with the Air Resources Board, to provide assistance to local jurisdictions, including but not limited to, any funding appropriated by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act, to assist local agencies to comply with provisions, including any regulations adopted by CalRecycle.

**SB 54** 

Allen, Stern, and Weiner Support Assembly Committee on Natural Resources

This bill would establish the Plastic Pollution Producer Responsibility Act, which would prohibit producers of single-use, disposable packaging or single-use, disposable food service ware products from offering for sale, selling, distributing, or importing in or into the state such packaging or products that are manufactured on or after January 1, 2032, unless they are recyclable or compostable.

**SB 833** 

Dodd and Stern Support Senate Committee on Appropriations

This bill would require the California Energy Commission (CEC) to develop and implement a grant program for local governments to develop community energy resilience plans to address power outages. As a condition of receiving grant funding, the bill would require a local government to submit its plan to the commission within 6 months of adopting the plan.

**SB 983** 

Eggman Support Senate Committee on Appropriations

This bill requires the manufacturer of an electronic or appliance product to make available, on fair and reasonable terms, sufficient service literature, at no charge, and prescribed functional parts and tools, including documentation, tools, software and parts needed to disable the lock or function during the course of the diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of a product, to owners of the product, service and repair facilities, and service dealers. The bill would also require a service and repair facility or service dealer that is not an authorized facility or dealer of a manufacturer to provide a written notice containing specified information related to warranties to any customer seeking repair of an electronic or appliance product before the repair facility or service dealer repairs the product.

**SB 1187** 

Kamlager Support Senate Committee on Appropriations

This bill would require CalRecycle to establish a temporary pilot project of up to 3 years located in the Counties of Los Angeles and Ventura in partnership with garment manufacturers in order to study and report on the feasibility of recycling fabric. The bill would require the pilot project to annually report CalRecycle the amount, in pounds, of textiles that were collected and that were diverted from disposal in the prior year of the pilot project, among other information. The bill would require the pilot project to conclude no later than January 1, 2027.

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**SB 1215** 

Newman Support Senate Committee on Appropriations

This bill would enact the Responsible Battery Recycling Act of 2022, which would require producers, either individually or through the creation of one or more stewardship organizations, to establish a stewardship program for the collection and recycling of covered batteries and covered battery-embedded products. The bill would require a producer or stewardship organization to develop, and submit for review and approval, a stewardship plan for covered batteries and battery-embedded products. The bill would require a stewardship organization or producer to have a complete stewardship plan approved by the department on or before December 31, 2025, in order to be in compliance with the act. (Companion bill AB 2440).

For more information on these bills or copies of Task Force letters, please visit the Task Force website, www.lacountyiswmtf.org or contact Perla Gomez with the County of Los Angeles Department Public Works, at (626) 300–2616, Monday – Thursday, 7:00 am to 5:30 pm or Mike Mohajer, a Member of the Task Force at MikeMohajer@yahoo.com or (909) 592–1147.