

Weekly Legislative Update: Solid Waste Management

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Bills Needing Action This Week

Please read Bills We Support to see the latest status of other bills.

Sign in "Pro" for the following bills this week:

You may express support for bills in hearings with the online process. Remember, only authorized members can speak for the League; the Issue Chairs will do that, so please leave the "Organization" box blank. A more powerful influence is many voices speaking for themselves rather than many voices speaking for the League.

SB 5154/ HB 1131 Improving Washington's solid waste management outcomes. WRAP Act.

Here is a <u>factsheet</u>. **STATUS: SB 5145** - hearing in Environment, Energy & Technology Committee on 1/17/23 @ 1:30 p.m. **HB 1131** – hearing in Environment & Energy Committee on 1/17/23 @ 4 p.m.

Click here to sign in PRO for these bills.

SB 5287 Concerning a study on the recycling of wind turbine blades.

Requires the Washington State University extension energy program to conduct a study on the feasibility of recycling wind turbine blades used in Washington. **STATUS:** hearing in Environment, Energy & Technology Committee on 1/20/23 @ 8 a.m.

Sign in PRO by 7 a.m. on 1/20/23 – Link:

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Email your Legislators to support these bills:

Use the link to email to any/all of your legislators, letting them know these bills are important to their constituents. HB ("House Bill") to Representatives, SB ("Senate Bill") to your Senator.

<u>SB 5144</u> Providing for responsible environmental management of batteries. product stewardship bill for recycling all batteries. **STATUS:** Introduced

<u>HB 1033</u> Evaluating compostable product usage. Establishes an advisory committee to standardize composting across Washington. STATUS: Committee hearing on 1/10/23. Testified Pro

<u>HB 1047</u> Concerning the use of toxic chemicals in cosmetic products. Eliminates the sale of cosmetics that contain one of nine toxins as identified in the bill. Allows for a phase-out to keep toxins out of homes and environment. **STATUS: Committee hearing on 1/9/23. Testified Pro**

<u>HB 1085</u> Reducing plastic pollution. A three-pronged approach to reduce the use of plastics by 1) Requiring refill stations in drinking fountains in all new construction; 2) Phasing out mini toiletries plastic packaging (including shampoos, conditioners, lotions, and soaps) at hotels and other lodging establishments; 3) Banning foam-filled dock floats in our lakes and marine waters. STATUS: Committee hearing on 1/10/23. Testified Pro

<u>HB 1131</u> Improving Washington's solid waste management outcomes. WRAP Act (see above). STATUS: Introduced; referred to Environment and Energy

<u>HB 1185</u> Reducing environmental impacts associated with lighting products. Addresses a phase out of mercury light bulbs and an update of the existing light-cycle law. **STATUS:**Introduced; referred to Environment and Energy

<u>HB 1164</u> Responsible management of appliances containing harmful gases and other materials. Creates a producer responsibility program for appliances. STATUS: Introduced; referred to Environment and Energy

Bills We Are Watching

Check back for updates.

How You Can Be Involved

- Contact Ann Murphy, Solid Waste Management Issue Chair, <u>amurphy@lwvwa.org</u> or call (509) 385-8910.
- Check the <u>Solid Waste Management page</u> for updates.
- Read the *Legislative Newsletter* and respond to Action Alerts.