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## Air Quality/Climate Change

### **SB-12 (Stern) - California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: emissions limit.**

Increases California's GHG emission reduction target from 40% below the 1990 level to 55% below that level.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-15 (Grove) - Oil imports: air quality emissions data.**

Expresses the intent of the Legislature that the CEC monitor countries that export oil to California and identify human rights abuses and lower environmental standards for oil production than California. It would require CARB to report GHG emissions data associated with oil transported in CalGEM to make available air quality emissions data associated with the transportation of imported oil.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-32 (Jones) - Motor vehicle fuel tax: greenhouse gas reduction programs: suspension.**

Exempts transportation fuel suppliers from California's cap-and-trade program, the Low-Carbon Fuel Standard, and gas tax for one year.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Environmental Quality

### **SB-84 (Gonzalez) - Clean Transportation Program: Air Quality Improvement Program: funding.**

Extends the sunset on specified vehicle-related fees until 2035 and revises the terms of the Clean Transportation Program—one of the largest programs funded by those fees.

**Status:** Senate-Died

### **SB-253 (Wiener) - Climate Corporate Data Accountability Act.**

Requires any partnership, corporation, limited liability company, or other U.S. business entity with total annual revenues in excess of one billion dollars that does business in California to publicly report their annual GHG emissions, as specified by the CARB.

**Status:** Chapter 382, Statutes of 2023

### **SB-261 (Stern) - Greenhouse gases: climate-related financial risk.**

Requires most companies who do business in California and have gross revenues exceeding \$500,000,000 annually to report on their climate-related financial risk. The bill further requires the Climate-Related Risk Disclosure Advisory Group and OPR to review and analyze those reports.

**Status:** Chapter 383, Statutes of 2023

### **SB-301 (Portantino) - Vehicular air pollution: Zero-Emission Aftermarket Conversion Project.**

Requires CARB to establish the Zero-Emission Aftermarket Conversion Project (ZACP), diverting money from the CVRP to provide an applicant with a rebate for converting a vehicle into a ZEV.

**Status:** Senate-In Floor Process

### **SB-308 (Becker) - Carbon Dioxide Removal Market Development Act.**

Requires CARB to establish rules and processes for certifying carbon dioxide removal processes that can be used for negative emissions credits. This bill requires CARB to adopt a regulation requiring certain emitting agencies to purchase negative emissions credits equal to a specified percentage of their GHG emissions, with that percentage increasing over time.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-312 (Wiener) - California Environmental Quality Act: university housing development projects: exemption.**

This bill was gut-and-amended and its prior version was never heard in EQ.

**Status:** Chapter 284, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-390 (Limón) - Voluntary carbon offsets: business regulation.**

Adds certain claims about voluntary carbon offsets (VCOs) to the False Advertising Law, related to VCOs that are known or should be known to not be quantifiable, real, and additional, as defined.

**Status:** Senate-Vetoed

### **SB-414 (Allen) - Climate change: applications using hydrogen: assessment.**

Requires the California Air Resources Board (CARB), in consultation with the California Energy Commission (CEC) and California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), to develop an assessment of specified hydrogen applications evaluating specified criteria. It directs the assessment to include a ranked prioritization of hydrogen applications.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-415 (Durazo) - Air quality: rules and regulations: socioeconomic impacts assessment.**

Changes the required CARB assessment of the socioeconomic impacts for any proposed adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule or regulation, and it adjusts standards for the air districts' required socioeconomic analysis as well, both largely to increase focus on households with under \$100,000 in annual income.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-425 (Newman) - Clean Vehicle Rebate Project: fuel cell electric pickup trucks.**

Provides additional incentives—an additional \$1,000 and access to high-occupancy vehicle lanes—under the Clean Vehicle Rebate Project (CVRP) for hydrogen fuel cell pickup trucks, as defined.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-438 (Caballero) - Carbon sequestration: Carbon Capture, Removal, Utilization, and Storage Program: incidental and unintentional residual oil production.**

Provides technical cleanup to SB 905 (Caballero, Chapter 359, Statutes of 2022) to clarify the accidental production of oil does not violate the ban on enhanced oil recovery on CCRUS projects.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Natural Resources

### **SB-485 (Becker) - Methane emissions: livestock: feed additives.**

Requires the California Air Resources Board (CARB), in consultation with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA), to create a feed additive program to reduce emissions from dairy cattle using voluntary incentives.

The bill was subsequently gut-and-amended and left EQ's jurisdiction.

**Status:** Chapter 611, Statutes of 2023

### **SB-493 (Min) - Air pollution: alternative vehicles and electric and hydrogen infrastructure.**

Requires the CEC to assess the energy resources needed to meet the state's goals to transition medium-duty and heavy-duty (MD/HD) vehicles to ZEVs. It also requires CARB to use the CEC's assessment to create a strategic plan to achieve this transition.

**Status:** Senate-Vetoed

### **SB-511 (Blakespear) - Greenhouse gas emissions inventories.**

Directs the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to develop greenhouse gas (GHG) emission inventories for any city, county, or city and county that requests it and update these inventories every five years upon request.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-663 (Archuleta) - California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program: renewable hydrogen.**

Makes electrical generation facilities using renewable hydrogen eligible for certification under the Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS) Program. This bill offers a definition for "renewable hydrogen."

**Status:** Senate-Died

### **SB-670 (Allen) - State Air Resources Board: vehicle miles traveled: maps.**

Directs CARB to develop maps of average VMT at the local, regional, and statewide levels and provides direction as to how those maps should be reconciled with existing ones.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-674 (Gonzalez) - Air pollution: refineries: community air monitoring systems: fence-line monitoring systems.**

Changes the refinery fenceline air monitoring program established by AB 1647 (Muratsuchi, Chapter 589, Statutes of 2017). These changes include but are not limited to, more chemicals to be monitored for, more facilities to be included, higher standards on data quality, and more robust community notification processes.

**Status:** Senate-In Floor Process

### **SB-682 (Skinner) - Low-carbon cement and concrete.**

Requires several state agencies to work with CARB to develop and enter into advance procurement agreements (APAs) to buy or specify low-carbon cement and low-carbon concrete products up to 10 years in advance.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-709 (Allen) - Low-Carbon Fuel Standard regulations: biogas derived from livestock manure.**

Changes how LCFS-eligible fuels derived from methane released by dairy manure are treated under the LCFS. The changes include capping credit generation at the volume at the time of pathway approval, striking a guarantee for 10 years of LCFS crediting for dairy biogas projects, substantial changes to the life cycle assessments of dairy biogas, and requiring all data supporting carbon intensity determinations to be made public.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-720 (Stern) - Aviation: airports: report: emissions.**

Requires airports to report specified information regarding their operations to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and requires CARB to consider adopting regulations to address certain issues identified in those reports. The bill was subsequently amended into an unrelated issue.

**Status:** Assembly-Died

### **SB-740 (Cortese) - Hazardous materials management: stationary sources: skilled and trained workforce.**

Expands the skilled and trained workforce (STW) requirements for contracted workers per SB 54 (Hancock, Chapter 795, Statutes of 2013) from applying solely to petroleum refineries to additionally apply to facilities engaged in manufacturing hydrogen, biofuels,

or certain chemicals, or in capturing, sequestering, or using carbon dioxide in specified conditions.

**Status:** Chapter 293, Statutes of 2023

### **SB-781 (Stern) - Methane emissions: low-methane natural gas.**

Requires state agencies to prioritize and procure natural gas with low associated methane emissions, as specified, and requires the CARB to gather information and report on the impacts of the use of natural gas that has been certified to have at least 80% lower associated methane emissions than average, as specified.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-941 (Skinner) - California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: scoping plan: industrial sources of emissions.**

Requires CARB to include specified information regarding GHG emissions from the industrial sector in the next Scoping Plan Update.

**Status:** Chapter 595, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-945 (Alvarado-Gil) - The Wildfire Smoke and Health Outcomes Data Act.**

Requires CDPH, CalFire, the Wildfire and Forest Resilience Task Force, and CARB to coordinate and integrate existing wildfire smoke and health data from local, state, and federal agencies. Requires CDPH, in consultation with those agencies, to create, operate, and maintain a statewide integrated wildfire smoke and health data platform, as specified.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1036 (Limón) - Voluntary carbon offsets: business regulation.**

Adds certain claims about voluntary carbon offsets (VCOs) to the False Advertising Law, related to VCOs that are known or should be known to not be quantifiable, real, and additional, as defined.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Natural Resources

### **SB-1062 (Dahle) - Energy: conversion of biomass energy generation facilities.**

Requires DOC to develop the Biomass Technology Transition Program to support the conversion of energy generation facilities using biomass and traditional combustion technologies to newer advanced bioenergy technology facilities and proposes related requirements and additional future grant program; and requires electrical corporations with 100,000 or more connections and local publicly owned electric utilities (POUs) with 100,000 or more connections to collectively procure, through financial commitments of 15 years, 125 megawatts (MW) of cumulative rated generation capacity from those facilities.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1073 (Skinner) - State acquisition of goods and services: low-carbon cement or concrete products.**

Authorizes state agencies to enter into forward contracts to purchase low-carbon cement or concrete products up to 10 years in advance in furtherance of specified state goals.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1087 (Grove) - Oil imports: air quality emissions data.**

Expresses the intent of the Legislature that the CEC monitor countries that export oil to California and identify human rights abuses and lower environmental standards for oil production than California. It would require CARB to report GHG emissions data associated with oil transported in California and CalGEM to make available air quality emissions data associated with the transportation of imported oil.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1136 (Stern) - California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: report.**

Updates the requirements on what the chair CARB must report annually before the Joint Legislative Committee on Climate Change Policies (JLCCCP) to go beyond emission trends in specified air pollutants.

**Status:** Chapter 184, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-1140 (Caballero) - Enhanced infrastructure financing district.**

Makes several changes to the enhanced infrastructure financing district formation process and expands the type of projects that these districts and other similar districts can finance to include projects that improve air quality.

**Status:** Chapter 599, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-1158 (Archuleta) - Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program.**

Extends the time air districts have to disburse Carl Moyer Program funds from four to six years, and increases the proportion of funds permissible for indirect administrative costs from 6.25% to 12.5% for large air districts.

**Status:** Chapter 459, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-1207 (Dahle) - Buy Clean California Act: eligible materials.**

Expands the scope of the Buy Clean California Act to encompass all types of insulation, as compared to currently only pertaining to mineral wool board insulation.

**Status:** Chapter 325, Statutes of 2024



### **SB-1308 (Gonzalez) - Ozone: indoor air cleaning devices.**

Directs the CARB to update their regulations involving ozone production from electronic air cleaners to include a 5 ppb standard, as opposed to the 50 ppb standard that exists today.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Natural Resources

### **SB-1387 (Newman) - California Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project: vehicle eligibility.**

Expands eligibility to the Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project to include a zero-emission vehicle exceeding 8,500 lbs that is not a house car, and that is either purchased for fleet operations by a public or private fleet or by an individual for personal and (substantially in furtherance of) commercial use.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Transportation

### **SB-1393 (Niello) - Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation Appeals Advisory Committee.**

Establishes an advisory committee of 20-28 specified members who must meet monthly to hear appeals from individuals who sought exemption from the Advanced Clean Fleets regulations; the committee must then consider and report to the CARB its recommendations on those appeals.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Environmental Quality

### **SB-1420 (Caballero) - Hydrogen.**

Defines “renewable hydrogen” and “qualified clean hydrogen,” and includes those classes of hydrogen in a set of transportation fuel content standards for 2025, 2030, and 2045; adds them to two existing permit streamlining mechanisms created by recent legislation; and makes changes to the Renewable Portfolio Standard to enable their inclusion as eligible resources.

**Status:** Chapter 608, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-1497 (Menjivar) - Polluters Pay Climate Cost Recovery Act of 2024.**

Tasks the California EPA to prepare a climate cost study to quantify the cost to the state of all impacts of climate change through 2045; assessing the portion of that cost attributable to GHG emissions between the years of 2000 and 2020; prorating that cost proportionally across responsible parties, as defined, whose products led to GHG emissions during that range; collecting climate cost recovery payments from responsible parties; and administering a fund comprised of those payments to be used for qualifying expenses related to responding to climate change.

**Status:** Senate-Died

### **SCR-21 (Archuleta) - Clean energy: hydrogen.**

Recognizes the importance of hydrogen as part of the clean energy transition, recognizes the Alliance for Renewable Clean Hydrogen Energy Systems (ARCHES), and urges ARCHES to prioritize renewable, clean hydrogen for the state.

**Status:** Chapter 136, Statutes of 2023

### **SR-34 (Cortese) - Climate Restoration.**

Emphasizes the importance and difficulty of restoring a stable, livable climate for future generations, and it calls upon the people and the CARB to urge the United States ambassador to the United Nations to propose a climate treaty that would restore and stabilize GHG levels as our common climate goal.

**Status:** Senate-Passed

### **AB-43 (Holden) - Greenhouse gas emissions: building materials: embodied carbon trading system.**

Makes a number of changes to the provisions created by AB 2446 (Holden, Chapter 352, Statutes of 2022), and expands the framework created therein by including authority for CARB to establish an Embodied Carbon Trading System.

**Status:** Chapter 316, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-350 (Aguiar-Curry) - Regional transportation plans: Sacramento Area Council of Governments.**

Provides a two-year extension for the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) to adopt and submit its Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS).

**Status:** Chapter 648, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-536 (Wilson) - Bay Area Air Quality Management Advisory Council: compensation.**

Repeals the prohibition on the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) Advisory Council to receive compensation for attending specified meetings.

**Status:** Chapter 16, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-585 (Robert Rivas) - California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: literature review and progress report.**

Requests the California Council on Science and Technology (CCST) to perform a triennial literature review to assess the infrastructure projects necessary to achieve the quantities of renewable energy, and the distribution and transmission networks necessary, to achieve the state's energy, climate change, and air quality goals.

Requires the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz) to

prepare an assessment of barriers limiting the deployment of clean energy projects by January 1, 2026.

**Status:** Chapter 336, Statutes of 2023

**AB-627 (Jackson) - Drayage trucks: voucher incentive project.**

Directs CARB to make specified changes to the administration of the HVIP to further incentivize HVIP usage by smaller fleets operating in ports, as well as other changes.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Environmental Quality

**AB-637 (Jackson) - Zero-emission vehicles: fleet owners: rental vehicles.**

Allows both vehicle rental companies and fleets renting those vehicles for at least 260 days per year to count that vehicle towards their compliance with regulations requiring the purchase of zero-emission vehicles, as specified.

**Status:** Assembly-Vetoed

**AB-849 (Garcia) - Community emissions reduction programs.**

Expands AB 617 (C. Garcia, Chapter 136, Statutes of 2017) by allowing the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to assign measures developed by communities in their Community Emission Reduction Plans (CERPs) to other relevant state agencies for them to promulgate and enforce regulations unless they find those measures infeasible. The bill also makes changes regarding certain grants under AB 617.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

**AB-985 (Arambula) - San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District: emission reduction credit system.**

Requires the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District (District) to develop an expiration standard for all Emission Reduction Credits (ERCs) banked by the District. It also requires CARB to conduct an analysis, building upon a 2020 CARB study, to review the other eight pollutant ERC banks maintained by the District, and potentially make adjustments as specified.

**Status:** Assembly-Died

**AB-1122 (Bains) - Commercial harbor craft: equipment.**

Requires any diesel particulate filter installed on a commercial harbor craft (CHC), as defined, to be equipped with an emergency bypass system. This bill also delays the compliance dates for towing vessel CHCs to replace or retrofit their engines until their next regularly scheduled inspection by the Coast Guard or an authorized classification society.

**Status:** Assembly-Vetoed

**AB-1159 (Aguiar-Curry) - California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: natural and working lands: market-based compliance mechanisms.**

Amends a provision of AB 1757 (C. Garcia, Chapter 341, Statutes of 2022) to (rather than prohibit any project receiving any and all state funds from generating credits for a market-based compliance mechanism) only prohibit the specific greenhouse gas emissions reduced or removed as a result of state funding from generating credits for a market-based compliance mechanism.

**Status:** Chapter 358, Statutes of 2023

**AB-1216 (Muratsuchi) - Wastewater treatment plants: monitoring of air pollutants.**

Requires the Hyperion Water Reclamation Plant to install, operate, and maintain a fence-line monitoring system to track emissions of hydrogen sulfide, nitrogen oxides, and volatile organic compounds.

**Status:** Chapter 675, Statutes of 2023

**AB-1296 (Grayson) - Bar pilots: regulation of vessels.**

Prevents a state regulation from requiring the San Francisco Bar Pilots to replace a pilot station boat, as defined, earlier than the end of its useful life, as specified.

**Status:** Assembly-Vetoed

**AB-1305 (Gabriel) - Voluntary carbon market disclosures.**

Creates specified disclosure requirements for the sellers and buyers of voluntary carbon offsets (VCOs), as defined, involving the details, accounting, and justifications of VCOs with regard to claiming carbon neutrality, among related claims. It also states that a violation of the act is subject to a specified civil penalty.

**Status:** Chapter 365, Statutes of 2023

**AB-1465 (Wicks) - Nonvehicular air pollution: civil penalties.**

Triplies the penalties for air pollution violations if a Title V source, as defined, discharges one or more specified air contaminants.

**Status:** Chapter 300, Statutes of 2024

**AB-1594 (Garcia) - Medium- and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicles: public agency utilities.**

Requires any state regulation that seeks to require the procurement of medium- and heavy-duty ZEVs to ensure those vehicles can support a public agency utility's duties, as specified, and to authorize the utility to make certain determinations and vehicle replacements, as specified.

**Status:** Chapter 585, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-1921 (Papan) - Energy: renewable electrical generation facilities: definition.**

Adds linear generators using renewable fuels to the definition of “renewable electrical generation facility.”

**Status:** Chapter 556, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-2083 (Berman) - Industrial facilities’ heat application equipment and process emissions.**

Requires the California Energy Commission to evaluate opportunities to increase the electrification of industrial heat processes, as specified and requires the California Air Resources Board to incorporate that evaluation into the next Scoping Plan update, among other specified assessments.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **AB-2298 (Hart) - Coastal resources: Protecting Blue Whales and Blue Skies Program.**

Provides for the expansion and implementation of a seasonal voluntary vessel speed reduction (VSR) and sustainable shipping program off the California coast to reduce whale strikes and air pollution, as specified.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **AB-2331 (Gabriel) - Voluntary carbon market disclosures.**

Updates a number of technical provisions created by AB 1305 (Gabriel, Chapter 365, Statutes of 2023) regarding disclosure requirements for the sellers and buyers of voluntary carbon offsets (VCOs), as defined, involving the details, accounting, and justifications of VCOs with regards to claiming carbon neutrality, among related claims.

**Status:** Assembly-Died

### **AB-2401 (Ting) - Clean Cars 4 All Program.**

Makes several changes to the Clean Cars 4 All (CC4A) Program, including but not limited to codifying a statewide CC4A program, potentially reallocating funds between statewide and air district-run CC4A programs, expanding reporting requirements established pursuant to SB 1382 (Gonzalez, 2022), and prioritizing certain CC4A recipients who drive older vehicles greater amounts in more pollution-burdened areas.

**Status:** Assembly-Vetoed

### **AB-2522 (Wendy Carrillo) - South Coast Air Quality Management District: district board: compensation.**

Doubles the compensation South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) board members are eligible to receive from \$12,000 to \$24,000 and provides for further future increases, as specified.

**Status:** Chapter 406, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2731 (Wendy Carrillo) - California Pollution Control Financing Authority: eligible projects.**

Adds “qualified carbon dioxide capture facilities” to the non-exclusive list of projects eligible for tax-exempt bond financing via the California Pollution Control Financing Authority (CPCFA).

**Status:** Chapter 114, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2900 (Soria) - Small agricultural truck fleet assistance program.**

Requires the CARB to provide dedicated technical assistance to owners of small fleets to support the transition to cleaner emission-compliant trucks, either through the establishment of the Small Agricultural Truck Fleet Assistance Program or by using an existing program.

**Status:** Chapter 746, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2958 (Calderon) - State Air Resources Board: board members: compensation.**

Requires the six part-time members of CARB representing air districts to receive an annual salary equal to other board members, currently set to \$55,738 annually.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

**AB-3179 (Juan Carrillo) - Emergency telecommunications medium- and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicles.**

Exempts all emergency telecommunications vehicles, as defined, from any state regulation that requires the procurement of medium- and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicles.

**Status:** Assembly-Vetoed

## **Cal/EPA**

**SB-1324 (Limón) - California Ocean Science Trust: agreements.**

Authorizes the Natural Resources Agency (CNRA), the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA), or the respective departments, boards, commissions, and conservancies of either entity to enter into a direct agreement with the California Ocean Science Trust (OST) for the delivery of peer reviews, technical guidance, or scientific reports and analyses.

**Status:** Chapter 470, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-1433 (Limón) - Gravity-Based Energy Storage Well Pilot Program.**

Requires the Secretary for Environmental Protection, in consultation with certain entities, to evaluate the Gravity-Based Energy Storage Well Pilot Program and make recommendations to the Legislature for a framework to implement an ongoing pilot program to regulate the operation of gravity-based energy storage wells.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1497 (Menjivar) - Polluters Pay Climate Cost Recovery Act of 2024.**

Tasks the California EPA with preparing a climate cost study to quantify the cost to the state of all impacts of climate change through 2045; assessing the portion of that cost attributable to GHG emissions between the years of 2000 and 2020; prorating that cost proportionally across responsible parties, as defined, whose products led to GHG emissions during that range; collecting climate cost recovery payments from responsible parties; and administering a fund comprised of those payments to be used for qualifying expenses related to responding to climate change.

**Status:** Senate-Died

### **SJR-13 (Newman) - Navy North Hangar Fire: contamination cleanup.**

Urges the United States Congress and President Joseph R. Biden to support a \$100,000,000 supplemental funding request to address the ongoing impacts on public health, the environment, and the local economy caused by cross-jurisdictional pollution from the Navy North Hangar Fire, and would urge President Joseph R. Biden to declare a national emergency due to these ongoing impacts, and would urge President Joseph R. Biden and the United States Congress to include funding for remediation for the Navy North Hangar Fire in future budgets.

**Status:** Chapter 149, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-1716 (Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials) - Hazardous wastes and materials: certified unified program agencies.**

Makes various technical changes to the six unified hazardous waste and hazardous materials management regulatory programs that are overseen by the Certified Unified Programs Agencies (CUPAs).

**Status:** Chapter 207, Statutes of 2023

## **California Environmental Quality Act**

### **SB-69 (Cortese) - California Environmental Quality Act: judicial and administrative proceedings: limitations.**

Requires local agencies in charge of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) projects to provide additional public notices about the project on specified timelines. Notices filed pursuant to this section will be posted by the Office of Planning and

Research on the State Clearinghouse internet website for 30 days. The bill further specifies that it is the intent of the Legislature that a local agency CEQA notice is only considered filed if certain criteria are met.

**Status:** Chapter 860, Statutes of 2023

**SB-91 (Umberg) - California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: supportive and transitional housing: motel conversion.**

Eliminates the January 1, 2025, sunset date on a provision of state law that exempts from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) certain projects that convert a motel, hotel, residential hotel, or hostel to supportive or transitional housing and extends CEQA streamlining provisions for “environmental leadership transit projects” (ELTPs) located within the County of Los Angeles that meet certain specified requirements.

**Status:** Chapter 732, Statutes of 2023

**SB-239 (Dahle) - California Environmental Quality Act: housing development projects: judicial proceedings.**

Limits who can file certain lawsuits under CEQA to the Attorney General and precludes any suits from being filed for non-environmental purposes. It also prohibits a court from halting the construction or operation of a project unless it makes certain findings, prohibits certain CEQA actions if a proceeding has already been instituted against a housing development project, and requires certain suits challenging environmental impact reports (EIR) to be resolved in 365 days where feasible.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Environmental Quality

**SB-270 (Wiener) - California Environmental Quality Act: university housing development projects: exemption.**

Replaces the requirement that, for a higher education institution to utilize a particular CEQA exemption, a building be certified as Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Platinum with a requirement that it achieve a LEED Gold score of 79 or better.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

**SB-393 (Glazer) - California Environmental Quality Act: judicial challenge: identification of contributors: housing projects.**

Requires a CEQA plaintiff to disclose any contributions he or she has received of \$10,000 or more to help fund the legal action relating to a housing development project. It also prevents a CEQA action from being filed against a housing project that was included as part of a larger plan or project already approved under CEQA.

**Status:** Chapter 285, Statutes of 2024



**SB-406 (Cortese) - California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: financial assistance: housing.**

Establishes an exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for actions taken by a local agency to provide financial assistance or insurance for low and moderate-income residential housing.

**Status:** Chapter 150, Statutes of 2023

**SB-420 (Becker) - Electricity: electrical transmission facility projects.**

Allows transmission projects, identified by an agency chosen by the Governor in consultation with the Natural Resources Agency to be necessary for reliability and to meet the state's clean energy goals, to become environmental leadership development projects eligible for CEQA streamlining. It further directed the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to streamline its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) review if the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) has already identified that project to be necessary.

Amendments after EQ's hearing replaced the CNRA consultation requirement with a list of land types in which a transmission project would be ineligible for permit streamlining.

Subsequently, the CEQA piece of this bill was removed and the bill left EQ's jurisdiction.

**Status:** Senate-Vetoed

**SB-422 (Portantino) - California Environmental Quality Act: expedited environmental review: climate change regulations.**

Expands expedited CEQA review provisions, which currently apply to regulations requiring the installation of pollution control equipment or a performance standard, to apply to regulations requiring the reduction in emissions of GHGs, criteria air pollutants, or toxic air contaminants, and requires all eligible projects to comply with specified construction labor requirements. The bill was subsequently amended to an unrelated issue area.

**Status:** Chapter 1011, Statutes of 2024

**SB-508 (Laird) - Cannabis: licenses: California Environmental Quality Act.**

Exempts cannabis projects from CEQA review by the DCC if the project has undergone a local CEQA review and the local agency has filed an NOD following the adoption of an MND or the certification of an EIR for the project or an NOE for retail cannabis projects.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

**SB-615 (Allen) - Electric vehicle traction batteries.**

Requires vehicle traction batteries to be recovered and reused, repurposed, or remanufactured and recycled at the end of their useful life. This bill also requires vehicle

manufacturers, dealers, dismantlers, repair dealers, or other secondary users to be responsible for ensuring responsible end-of-life management of vehicle traction batteries.

**Status:** Senate-In Floor Process

### **SB-651 (Grove) - Water storage and recharge: California Environmental Quality Act.**

Streamlines judicial review for specified groundwater management projects that are challenged under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Specifically, the bill defines “project” as a project approved to implement an approved groundwater sustainability plan (GSP) or an interim plan developed by the State Water Board for a probationary basin for the purpose of judicial streamlining in this bill, and requires the Judicial Council to adopt a rule of court to streamline judicial review of an action brought against certification of an environmental impact report for, or approval of, a project so that the proceeding is resolved within 270 days, to the extent feasible.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Natural Resources

### **SB-768 (Caballero) - California Environmental Quality Act: vehicle miles traveled: statement of overriding consideration.**

Waives the requirement that public agencies must issue a “statement of overriding considerations” on projects that have significant impacts on the environment in certain circumstances.

**Status:** Chapter 773, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-794 (Niello) - California Environmental Quality Act: judicial challenge: identification of contributors: housing projects.**

Requires CEQA actions challenging a commercial, housing, or public works project that has at least \$25 million invested in it to be resolved within 365 days of filing. It also requires a CEQA plaintiff to disclose any contributions he or she has received of \$100 or more to help fund the legal action.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Environmental Quality

### **SB-861 (Dahle) - California Environmental Quality Act: water conveyance or storage projects: judicial review.**

Requires CEQA actions involving water conveyance and storage projects to be resolved by the courts, to the extent feasible, within 270 days. It also requires lead agencies to prepare the record of proceedings for a water conveyance or storage project and to include a specific notice in the draft environmental impact report (EIR) and final EIR.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1159 (Dodd) - California Environmental Quality Act: roadside wildfire risk reduction projects.**

Requires OPR, by January 1, 2026, to evaluate, and the secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to consider, creating a categorical exemption from CEQA for roadside projects no more than five road miles from a municipality or census-designated place if the project is solely for wildfire risk reduction.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1165 (Padilla) - State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission: certification of facilities: electrical transmission projects.**

Authorizes an electrical corporation that applies to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to authorize the construction of any electrical transmission facility or electrical transmission project to apply to the California Energy Commission (CEC) for certification of the facility pursuant to CEQA, instead of having the CPUC conduct the CEQA review. It would indirectly designate the CEC to be the lead agency for CEQA compliance for transmission permitting and would require the CPUC to adopt the CEC's CEQA analysis to support its decision.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1227 (Wiener) - Housing: San Francisco: downtown revitalization zone: welfare tax and California Environmental Quality Act exemptions.**

Enacts a geographic area-based CEQA exemption and allows CEQA streamlining within the City and County of San Francisco for projects that are LEED-certified. It would also create an alternate welfare exemption from property tax for housing available to those of moderate income in same the area.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1259 (Niello) - California Environmental Quality Act: judicial review.**

Makes numerous changes to the CEQA including:

- 1) Establishes an expedited judicial review period of 365 days for projects that result in an investment of at least \$25 million in the state.
- 2) Requires a plaintiff or petitioner bringing a CEQA action to provide the identity of any person or entity contributing \$10,000 or more toward the plaintiff's or petitioner's costs of the action within seven days if the defendant makes a motion to receive this information.
- 3) Establishes that a court shall not stay or enjoin a construction or operation of a project challenged under the provisions of CEQA if those actions present an imminent threat to public health and safety or that materially, permanently, and adversely affect unforeseen important Native American artifacts.
- 4) Reverses current law to remove authority from a court to direct any public agency to exercise its discretion in any particular way.

5) Deletes the specification in current law that nothing in this section is intended to limit the equitable powers of the court.

6) Requires that the court shall not approve a settlement agreement if the settlement agreement contains a nonenvironmental provision.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Environmental Quality

### **SB-1304 (Limón) - Underground injection control: aquifer exemption.**

Revises the state process for submission of a Class II Underground Injection Control (UIC) program aquifer exemption proposal to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) including requiring the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to make the submission following an environmental review in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as provided, among other provisions.

**Status:** Chapter 467, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-1342 (Atkins) - California Environmental Quality Act: infrastructure projects: County of San Diego.**

Adds two infrastructure projects in San Diego County to the list of infrastructure projects eligible for CEQA judicial and administrative streamlining under SB 149 (Caballero, Chapter 60, Statutes of 2023).

**Status:** Chapter 794, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-1361 (Blakespear) - California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: local agencies: contract for providing services for people experiencing homelessness.**

Creates a CEQA exemption for any action taken by local agencies related to contracting services for people experiencing homelessness, including case management, resource navigation, security services, residential services, and counseling services

**Status:** Chapter 188, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-1395 (Becker) - Shelter crisis: Low Barrier Navigation Center: use by right: building standards.**

Provides additional exemptions from CEQA to certain actions regarding homeless shelters, and makes changes to several laws governing the creation of certain types of homeless shelters, including:

1) Extends the sunset date of the Shelter Crisis Act (SCA) from January 1, 2026 to January 1, 2036.

2) Establishes a CEQA exemption for actions taken by a state agency, city, county, or city, and county to approve a contract to provide services for people experiencing homelessness to a homeless shelter constructed pursuant to or authorized by the SCA.

3) Deletes the sunset date on existing law providing streamlined, ministerial approval to Low Barrier Navigation Centers (LBNCs), thereby extending the LBNC law indefinitely

and revising the definition of LBNC, and creates a CEQA exemption for actions associated with a lease of an LBNC.

**Status:** Chapter 297, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-356 (Mathis) - California Environmental Quality Act: aesthetic impacts.**

Extends until January 1, 2029, an existing provision that waives consideration of aesthetic effects under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for projects that refurbish, convert, or replace derelict buildings. This bill requires the lead agency to file a notice with the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) when it uses this waiver.

**Status:** Chapter 116, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-573 (Garcia) - Organic waste: meeting recovered organic waste product procurement targets.**

Extends until January 1, 2029, an existing provision that waives consideration of aesthetic effects under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for projects that refurbish, convert, or replace derelict buildings. This bill requires the lead agency to file a notice with the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) when it uses this waiver.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **AB-785 (Santiago) - California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: City of Los Angeles: County of Los Angeles: affordable housing and transitional housing.**

Creates exemptions to CEQA for low-barrier navigation centers, supportive housing, transitional housing for youth and young adults, and affordable housing projects, and actions leading up to the deployment of these projects undertaken by the City and County of Los Angeles in specified areas until January 1, 2030. This replaces existing law that had granted CEQA exemptions for supportive and emergency shelters in Los Angeles until January 1, 2025. This bill further adds labor provisions as eligibility criteria for this CEQA exemption, including requiring prevailing wage consistent with requirements established in AB 2011 (Wicks, Chapter 647, Statutes of 2022), and requiring that projects with 40 or more units have a project labor agreement (PLA).

**Status:** Chapter 726, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-914 (Friedman) - Electrical infrastructure: California Environmental Quality Act: review time period.**

Requires a two-year time period for a lead state agency to complete the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) environmental review and approve or deny an application for an electrical infrastructure project.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **AB-1307 (Wicks) - California Environmental Quality Act: noise impact: residential projects.**

Specifies that public higher education institutions do not have to consider alternative locations for a project when preparing an EIR for residential or mixed-use housing projects if certain conditions are met, and specifies that noise from residents does not constitute a significant environmental effect under CEQA.

**Status:** Chapter 160, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-1318 (Luz Rivas) - California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: residential projects.**

Increases the site limit, from four acres to five acres, for purposes of an existing CEQA exemption for certain urban infill housing projects and requires the lead agency to file a notice of exemption (NOE) with OPR.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Environmental Quality

### **AB-1449 (Alvarez) - Affordable housing: California Environmental Quality Act: exemption.**

Exempts from CEQA a public agency's entitlement, lease, conveyance, purchase, financial assistance, or encumbrance for affordable housing projects that meet specified criteria. It further exempts any action to facilitate those actions and exempts rezoning, specific plan amendments, or general plan amendments required for constructing of an affordable housing project. This exemption sunsets on January 1, 2033.

**Status:** Chapter 761, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-1597 (Alvarez) - Water quality: California-Mexico cross-border watersheds.**

Authorizes, upon appropriation by the Legislature, funds to be made available to the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) for North American Development Bank (NADBank), as specified, for loans, grants, and direct expenditures to address water quality problems arising in the California-Mexico cross-border watersheds.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **AB-1633 (Ting) - Housing Accountability Act: disapprovals: California Environmental Quality Act.**

Provides that disapproval under the Housing Accountability Act (HAA) includes a local agency's failure to make a determination of whether a project is exempt from CEQA, abuse of discretion, or failure to adopt certain environmental documents under specified circumstances, and makes several other changes, until January 1, 2031.

**Status:** Chapter 768, Statutes of 2023

**AB-2085 (Bauer-Kahan) - Planning and zoning: permitted use: community clinic.**

Requires ministerial approval of a permit for the development of a community clinic that provides reproductive health services in a zone where office, retail, parking, or health care is a permitted use.

**Status:** Chapter 820, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2199 (Berman) - California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: residential or mixed-use housing projects.**

Extends the January 1, 2025 sunset on an existing CEQA exemption for multi-family residential and mixed-use housing projects on infill sites in unincorporated areas until January 1, 2032, and excludes projects that may cause a substantial adverse impact to tribal cultural resources.

**Status:** Chapter 271, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2503 (Lee) - California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: passenger rail projects.**

Expands an existing CEQA exemption for transit projects to include public projects for the institution or increase of zero-emission passenger rail service within an existing rail or highway right-of-way.

**Status:** Chapter 718, Statutes of 2024

**AB-3007 (Hoover) - California Environmental Quality Act: record of environmental documents: format.**

Removes a requirement for county clerks and the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) to maintain paper and electronic documents received from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) that make up the administrative record under CEQA, and instead only require an electronic copy.

**Status:** Chapter 583, Statutes of 2024

**AB-3057 (Wilson) - California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: junior accessory dwelling units ordinances.**

Expands an existing CEQA exemption for city or county adoption of an ordinance to facilitate accessory dwelling units (ADUs) to also include the adoption of an ordinance facilitating junior ADUs.

**Status:** Chapter 210, Statutes of 2024

**AB-3227 (Alvarez) - California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: stormwater facilities: routine maintenance.**

Establishes a CEQA exemption for routine maintenance of public stormwater facilities. This bill has an urgency clause.

**Status:** Chapter 761, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-3238 (Garcia) - California Environmental Quality Act: electrical infrastructure projects.**

Designates the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) as the lead agency under CEQA for electrical infrastructure projects and give them a shortened 270-day timeline to complete environmental review until January 1, 2035. It would also limit the alternatives that can be considered in the alternative analysis under CEQA.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

## **Hazardous Waste and Materials**

### **SB-568 (Newman) - Electronic waste: export.**

Requires any person who exports covered electronic waste (e-waste) or a covered electronic device (CED) intended for recycling or disposal to a foreign country, or to another state for ultimate export to a foreign country, to, at least 60 days prior to export, demonstrate that the person attempted to locate an in-state e-waste recycler and that the e-waste or CED could not be managed by an in-state e-waste recycler.

**Status:** Chapter 308, Statutes of 2023

### **SB-642 (Cortese) - Hazardous materials: enforcement: county counsel.**

Provides county counsels with civil enforcement authority over hazardous waste violations related to business and area plans, underground storage tanks, aboveground storage tanks, or medical waste.

**Status:** Chapter 154, Statutes of 2023

### **SB-740 (Cortese) - Hazardous materials management: stationary sources: skilled and trained workforce.**

Expands the skilled and trained workforce (STW) requirements for contracted workers per SB 54 (Hancock, Chapter 795, Statutes of 2013) from applying solely to petroleum refineries to additionally apply to facilities engaged in manufacturing hydrogen, biofuels, or certain chemicals, or in capturing, sequestering, or using carbon dioxide in specified conditions.

**Status:** Chapter 293, Statutes of 2023

### **SB-903 (Skinner) - Environmental health: product safety: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances.**

Prohibits, commencing January 1, 2030, a person from distributing, selling, or offering for sale in the state a product that contains intentionally added per- or poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) unless the use of PFAS is currently unavoidable, as defined.



Authorizes the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to establish regulations to administer the prohibition.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1066 (Blakespear) - Hazardous waste: marine flares: producer responsibility.**

Establishes the Marine Flare Manufacturer Responsibility Act of 2024; requires on and after January 1, 2026, a manufacturer, as defined, that sells, offers for sale, imports, or distributes a covered product, as defined, in the state to submit to the Department of Toxic Substances (DTSC) a manufacturer responsibility plan (MRP) for approval by DTSC; requires manufacturers to implement their approved MRP and to annually submit a publicly available report, as specified, on or before March 1; and, establishes the Marine Flare Recovery Fund.

**Status:** Senate-In Floor Process

### **SB-1143 (Allen) - Household hazardous waste: producer responsibility.**

Makes changes to the state's paint product stewardship program to expand the number of products covered in the program by January 1, 2028, at the latest, and to require manufacturers of paint products to review their stewardship plan and submit any amendments to CalRecycle for review on a five-year basis.

**Status:** Chapter 989, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-1176 (Niello) - Wildfires: workgroup: toxic heavy metals.**

Requires the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, the Office of Emergency Services, and the Department of Toxic Substances Control, in consultation with specified entities, to form a workgroup related to exposure to toxic heavy metals after a wildfire.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1266 (Limón) - Product safety: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances.**

Prohibits, beginning January 1, 2026, a person from manufacturing, selling, or distributing in commerce a juvenile's product, as specified, that contains any form of bisphenol, as defined, above the practical quantitation limit (PQL), to be determined by the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC). Authorizes DTSC to enforce the provisions of this bill. Imposes administrative or civil penalties, for violations of the provisions of this bill.

**Status:** Chapter 790, Statutes of 2024

### **SJR-13 (Newman) - Navy North Hangar Fire: contamination cleanup.**

Urges the United States Congress and President Joseph R. Biden to support a \$100,000,000 supplemental funding request to address the ongoing impacts on public

health, the environment, and the local economy caused by cross-jurisdictional pollution from the Navy North Hangar Fire, and would urge President Joseph R. Biden to declare a national emergency due to these ongoing impacts, and would urge President Joseph R. Biden and the United States Congress to include funding for remediation for the Navy North Hangar Fire in future budgets.

**Status:** Chapter 149, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-246 (Papan) - Product safety: menstrual products: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances.**

Prohibits, commencing January 1, 2025, a person from manufacturing, distributing, selling, or offering for sale in the state any menstrual products that contain intentionally added perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) or, commencing January 1, 2027, concentrations of PFAS at or above 10 parts per million (ppm). Specifies considerations a court shall make in determining the amount of a civil penalty for a violation of the prohibitions in this bill, who may bring actions pursuant to this section, and where civil penalties shall be paid.

**Status:** Assembly-Vetoed

### **AB-347 (Ting) - Household product safety: toxic substances: testing and enforcement.**

Authorizes the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to regulate and enforce compliance with existing per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) restrictions in juvenile products, textile articles, and plant-based food packaging. Requires manufacturers of these covered products to comply with a number of actions regarding the registration and testing of the products.

**Status:** Chapter 932, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-407 (Chen) - Hazardous waste: used oil.**

Clarifies how material that is exempted from hazardous waste regulation as a used oil under state law can be managed.

**Status:** Assembly-Vetoed

### **AB-418 (Gabriel) - Food product safety.**

Prohibits, beginning on January 1, 2027, an entity from manufacturing, selling, delivering, distributing, holding, or offering for sale a food product for human consumption that contains brominated vegetable oil, potassium bromate, propylparaben, or red dye 3.

**Status:** Chapter 328, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-496 (Friedman) - Cosmetic safety.**

Prohibits, commencing January 1, 2027, a person or entity from manufacturing, selling, delivering, holding, or offering for sale in commerce any cosmetic product that contains any of the 26 intentionally added ingredients specified in this bill.

**Status:** Chapter 441, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-541 (Wood) - California Safe Drinking Water Act: wildfire aftermath: benzene testing.**

Requires the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to require a public water system that has experienced a wildfire event of 300 acres or more that damaged or destroyed a structure or structures connected to its distribution system to perform sample collection and analysis for the presence of benzene. Authorizes the State Water Board to require a public water system to take specified follow-up actions if benzene is detected in water following testing after a wildfire as described in this bill, including further testing, providing notice to customers, and taking remediation actions.

**Status:** Chapter 530, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-727 (Weber) - Product safety: cleaning products: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances.**

Prohibits, commencing January 1, 2026, a person or entity from manufacturing, selling, delivering, distributing, holding, or offering for sale in commerce in this state a cleaning product, as defined, containing intentionally added perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS); or, PFAS in a cleaning product or ingredient at or above 50 parts per million (ppm) commencing January 1, 2026, 25 ppm commencing January 1, 2027, and 10 ppm commencing January 1, 2028. Prohibits PFAS in a floor sealer or floor finish that is intentionally added or exceeds 10 ppm commencing January 1, 2028. Specifies considerations a court shall make in determining the amount of a civil penalty for a violation of the prohibitions in this bill, who may bring actions pursuant to this section, and where civil penalties shall be paid.

**Status:** Assembly-Vetoed

### **AB-777 (Cervantes) - Hazardous waste: Stringfellow Quarry Class I Hazardous Waste Disposal Site.**

Prohibits any waste or sample generated from a site other than the Stringfellow Quarry Class I Hazardous Waste Disposal Site (Stringfellow) from being treated, stored, transferred to, or disposed of at Stringfellow.

**Status:** Chapter 165, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-899 (Muratsuchi) - Food safety: baby food.**

Requires an in-state or out-of-state manufacturer of baby food for sale or distribution in California to test their final baby food product for toxic heavy metals, including lead,

mercury, cadmium, and arsenic; post on the manufacturer's website the name and level of toxic heavy metals present in their product; and disclose on a product label that the product has been tested for a toxic heavy metal if an action level, regulatory limit, or tolerance level has been established by the federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

**Status:** Chapter 668, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-1059 (Friedman) - Product safety: consumer products: textile fiberglass and covered flame-retardant chemicals.**

Prohibits the manufacturing, selling, offering, or distributing in commerce any juvenile product, mattress, or upholstered furniture that contains textile fiberglass, and requires the International Sleep Products Association to submit a quantitative health risk assessment of modacrylic fiber without antimony trioxide, as specified.

**Status:** Chapter 461, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-1403 (Garcia) - Public safety: fireworks: enforcement: funding.**

Requires, by January 1, 2025, the Office State Fire Marshall (OSFM) to collect and analyze data relating to dangerous illegal fireworks and safe and sane fireworks; authorizes local agencies, as specified, to adopt an ordinance for the actual and reasonable costs associated with safe and sane and illegal fireworks; and requires the OSFM and the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to develop training for the proper management of seized fireworks, subject to an appropriation by the Legislature.

**Status:** Chapter 368, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-1423 (Schiavo) - Product safety: PFAS: artificial turf or synthetic surfaces.**

Prohibits, commencing January 1, 2026, a public entity or educational institution, as specified, from purchasing or installing a covered surface that contains intentionally added per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) or PFAS at a concentration at or above 20 part per million (ppm). Commencing January 1, 2026, this bill would prohibit a person or entity from manufacturing, distributing, selling, or offering for sale in the state any covered surface meeting these PFAS criteria. If the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) takes regulatory action on artificial turf containing PFAS, would repeal the prohibitions of this bill.

**Status:** Assembly-Vetoed

**AB-1716 (Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials) - Hazardous wastes and materials: certified unified program agencies.**

Makes various technical changes to the six unified hazardous waste and hazardous materials management regulatory programs that are overseen by the Certified Unified Programs Agencies (CUPAs).

**Status:** Chapter 207, Statutes of 2023

**AB-2244 (Ting) - Product Safety: proofs of purchase: bisphenols.**

Prohibits, beginning on January 1, 2025, a paper proof of purchase (receipt), provided to a consumer by a business or created by a manufacturer, from containing bisphenol A (BPA) and would prohibit, beginning January 1, 2026, a paper proof of purchase, provided to a consumer by a business or created by a manufacturer, from containing any bisphenols.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

**AB-2300 (Wilson) - Medical devices: Di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP).**

Prohibits the manufacture, sale, or distribution of intravenous solution containers and tubing made with intentionally added Di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate, as specified.

**Status:** Chapter 562, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2408 (Haney) - Firefighter personal protective equipment: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances.**

Prohibits, commencing July 1, 2026, any person from manufacturing, selling, distributing, or purchasing for future use, any firefighter personal protective equipment containing intentionally added per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS) chemicals. Requires the California Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board, within one year of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) updating their standards to include PFAS-free turnout gear, to align their standards on PFAS-free turnout.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

**AB-2513 (Pellerin) - Gas stoves and ranges: warning label.**

Prohibits a person from selling or offering for sale a gas stove that is manufactured or sold online on or after January 1, 2025, or sold in a store on or after January 1, 2026, unless that gas stove contains a specified warning label.

**Status:** Assembly-Vetoed

**AB-2515 (Papan) - Menstrual products: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).**

Prohibits a person from manufacturing, distributing, selling, or offering for sale a menstrual product that contains regulated per- or poly-fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS) as defined.

**Status:** Chapter 1008, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-2851 (Bonta) - Metal shredding facilities: fence-line air quality monitoring.**

Requires, on or before January 1, 2027, an air district the jurisdiction of which includes metal shredding facilities to develop requirements for facility-wide fence-line air quality monitoring at metal shredding facilities, as provided. This bill requires the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to require metal shredding facilities to monitor and report to the department hazardous waste constituents requested by the department.

**Status:** Chapter 743, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-3004 (Mike Fong) - Proposition 65: certificates of merit: Attorney General communications.**

Requires a person, when filing an action under the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65), to include the brand name of the product tested with the certificate of merit.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

## **Pesticides**

### **AB-99 (Connolly) - Department of Transportation: state roads and highways: integrated pest management.**

Requires the Department of Transportation to adopt, by January 1, 2025, a statewide policy to use integrated pest management on state roads and highways and report on its website about its use of pesticides.

**Status:** Assembly-Vetoed

### **AB-363 (Bauer-Kahan) - Pesticides: neonicotinoids for nonagricultural use: reevaluation: control measures.**

Prohibits the sale, possession, or use of neonicotinoid pesticides for non-agricultural uses, except for possession or use by state-certified applicators and sale by state-licensed pest control dealers, beginning on January 1, 2025. Requires the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) to reevaluate non-agricultural uses of neonicotinoid pesticides relative to pollinating insects, aquatic ecosystems, and human health, and sets deadlines for this process, including the adoption of any necessary control measures by July 1, 2029.

**Status:** Chapter 520, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-652 (Lee) - Department of Pesticide Regulation Environmental Justice Advisory Committee.**

Requires the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) to convene an Environmental Justice Advisory Committee (EJAC) by January 1, 2026, with specified membership that

would provide recommendations to DPR to integrate environmental justice considerations into DPR's programs, policies, decision making, and activities.

**Status:** Chapter 662, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-1016 (Jones-Sawyer) - Pest control operations: aircraft operations: private applicator.**

Expands the Department of Pesticide Regulation's (DPR) authority to create training programs for drone aerial applicator licensing independent of the existing journeymen/apprenticeship requirements.

**Status:** Chapter 354, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-1042 (Bauer-Kahan) - Treated seed: labeling.**

Prohibits any person from shipping, delivering, transporting, or selling agricultural or vegetable seed that is treated after harvest with any substance that is likely to be poisonous or toxic to human beings or animals unless it is additionally labeled with the amount of treatment material applied.

**Status:** Chapter 348, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-1042 (Bauer-Kahan) - Pesticides: seeds.**

Requires the director of the Department of Pesticide Regulation (director) to adopt regulations to govern the use and disposal of seeds treated with a pesticide.

**Status:** Chapter 348, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-1322 (Friedman) - Pesticides: second-generation anticoagulant rodenticide: diphacinone.**

Bans the use of diphacinone in wildlife habitat areas as defined and prohibits the use of diphacinone in the state until the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) has completed a reevaluation and developed and adopted further restrictions with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), as specified. Makes changes to existing restrictions on the use of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides.

**Status:** Chapter 836, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-1864 (Connolly) - Pesticides: agricultural use near schoolsites: notification and reporting.**

Requires a notice of intent (NOI) to be submitted before a person applies a restricted use pesticide within one-quarter of a mile of a schoolsite using an application method that is restricted under the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) Pesticide Use Near Schools regulations.

**Status:** Chapter 552, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-1963 (Friedman) - Pesticides: paraquat dichloride prohibition.**

Requires the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) to complete a reevaluation of paraquat dichloride, as provided, and make the determination to retain, cancel, or suspend its registration or to place new restrictions on the use of pesticide products containing it as an active ingredient.

**Status:** Chapter 688, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-2113 (Garcia) - Pesticides.**

Increases, over a four-year period, the mill assessment (a fee on the sale of all pesticides sold into the state) to pay for programs within the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) related to the regulation of pesticide sales and use in California, among other things, and would declare its provisions are to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

**Status:** Chapter 60, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-2552 (Friedman) - Pesticides: anticoagulant rodenticides.**

Expands the existing prohibition on the use of anticoagulant rodenticides to include the use of the first-generation anticoagulant rodenticides (FGARs) chlorophacinone and warfarin, and imposes civil penalties on the unlawful use of FGARs and second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides (SGARs), as specified.

**Status:** Chapter 571, Statutes of 2024

## **Solid Waste**

### **SB-303 (Allen) - Solid waste: Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act.**

Establishes a non-binding arbitration process for adjudicating disputes between entities subject to the Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act (SB 54, Allen Chapter 75, Statutes of 2022), revises three definitions in SB 54, and makes other technical and clarifying changes to SB 54.

**Status:** Senate-Vetoed

### **SB-353 (Dodd) - Beverage containers: recycling.**

Adds large fruit and vegetable juice containers to the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act (Bottle Bill). Extends the date by which beverage containers for large fruit and vegetable juice containers are required to comply with statutory post-consumer recycled content requirements until 2026. Establishes certain extensions on labeling requirements for new containers added to the Bottle Bill.

Authorizes the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to use either the 3-month average or 12-month average for scrap material values when adjusting processing payments. Establishes a per-ton temporary payment to rural



recyclers for glass until 2030. Makes other minor changes to the Bottle Bill program and CalRecycle's operations.

**Status:** Chapter 868, Statutes of 2023

### **SB-367 (Seyarto) - State and Federal Land Solid Waste Removal and Cleanup Pilot Program.**

Expands the Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program administered by the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to include state and federal public lands that are not used for farm or ranch purposes.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-560 (Laird) - Solid waste: gas cylinders: stewardship program.**

Establishes an Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) program for gas cylinders under 20 pounds.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-613 (Seyarto) - Organic waste: reduction goals: local jurisdictions: low-population exemption.**

Creates a waiver for low-population local jurisdictions and exempts those jurisdictions from SB 1383 organics waste diversion goals until December 31, 2028, if they do not already have another, specified, waiver. The bill further authorizes CalRecycle to, instead of providing an alternative recovered organic waste product target schedule, renew a low-population waiver established in this bill.

**Status:** Chapter 878, Statutes of 2023

### **SB-665 (Allen) - Plastic waste: single-use plastics alternatives: working group.**

Requires the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) to establish, by January 1, 2025, a working group comprised of state entities to establish a policy framework for evaluating novel materials that are alternatives to plastics for single-use products.

**Status:** Senate-Vetoed

### **SB-707 (Newman) - Responsible Textile Recovery Act of 2023.**

Establishes the Responsible Textile Recovery Act of 2023, which creates an EPR program for apparel, textiles, or textile articles. Among other things, the bill

1) Defines "covered product" to include any apparel, textile (e.g. cloth), or textile article (e.g. bed sheets, curtains, etc.)

2) Requires CalRecycle to set regulations to implement this chapter by December 31, 2025, and authorizes CalRecycle to adjust regulations pertaining to collection sites and minimum recycling efficiency rate for covered products collected and recycled by program operators beginning January 1, 2032.

- 4) Establishes a producer responsibility organization (PRO) that would submit to CalRecycle a stewardship plan within 12 months of regulations being developed. CalRecycle will review the Plan and approve, disprove, or conditionally approve the plan.
- 5) Requires the PRO to review the stewardship plan at least every five years thereafter.
- 6) Requires PROs to pay fees to CalRecycle, not to exceed the department's actual and reasonable regulatory costs to implement and enforce the provisions of the Act.
- 7) Requires the stewardship program to submit an annual report to the department, under penalty of perjury, and requires the department to post online a list of producers that are in compliance with the program requirements.
- 8) States that a retailer, importer, or distributor shall not sell, distribute, or import covered products into the State unless the producer is on the list of producers in compliance with program requirements.
- 9) Authorizes the department to impose a civil penalty on a producer, PRO, or importer manufacturer, distributor, or retailer that does not meet the requirements of the chapter. The civil penalties can be up to \$10,000 per day or up to \$50,000 per day if the violation is intentional, knowing, or reckless.
- 10) Establishes a Textile Stewardship Recovery Penalty Account for these penalties for the deposit of penalties, which would be available for expenditure upon appropriation by the Legislature.

**Status:** Chapter 864, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-728 (Limón) - Plastic gift cards: prohibition.**

Bans a retailer from selling, distributing, or offering for sale, plastic gift cards beginning Jan 1, 2027, and allows a retailer to continue to sell, offer for sale, or distribute an existing stock of gift cards through January 1, 2028, and authorizes the Attorney General, a district attorney, a county counsel, or a city attorney to enforce the bill and sets civil penalties of \$25 for the first day a violation occurs and \$100 per day for any subsequent violations.

**Status:** Senate-Vetoed

### **SB-777 (Allen) - Solid waste: reusable grocery bags and recycled paper bags.**

Authorizes large stores to use monies from the \$0.10 per bag charge required by the State's "bag ban" to provide customers with opportunities to return reusable grocery bags for recycling and requires stores to report data on bag sales and funds to CalRecycle, and make those reports available to an authorized representative of a store with a collective bargaining agreement.

**Status:** Senate-Vetoed

### **SB-854 (Smallwood-Cuevas) - Carpet recycling: carpet stewardship.**

Requires that 95% of funds from assessments on carpets sold in California, as part of the State's Carpet Extended Producer Responsibility Program, be expended on carpet stewardship activities in California. Requires that 10% of these funds go towards grants to train apprentice and journey-level carpet installers on carpet recycling practices.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1053 (Blakespear) - Solid waste: reusable grocery bags: standards: plastic film prohibition.**

Eliminates the exemption of thicker plastic film bags from the state's single-use bag ban. Specifies the requirements for reusable bags and paper bags to be eligible for distribution and sale at stores. Stipulates that only recycled paper bags, as defined, are permitted to be sold at point of sale.

**Status:** Chapter 453, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-1113 (Newman) - Beverage container recycling: pilot projects: extension.**

Extends the sunset for seven years, through 2034, for specified Beverage Container Recycling pilot projects administered by CalRecycle to improve opportunities for consumers to recycle bottles and collect redemption fees and to help the state achieve its litter reduction and recycling goals

**Status:** Chapter 182, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-1143 (Allen) - Household hazardous waste: producer responsibility.**

Makes changes to the state's paint product stewardship program to expand the number of products covered in the program by January 1, 2028, at the latest, and to require manufacturers of paint products to review their stewardship plan and submit any amendments to CalRecycle for review on a five-year basis.

**Status:** Chapter 989, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-1175 (Ochoa Bogh) - Organic waste: reduction goals: local jurisdictions: waivers.**

Requires CalRecycle to consider alternatives to census tracts when deciding the boundaries of low-population and elevation waivers from the state's organic waste diversion requirements. Specifically, this bill:

1) Requires CalRecycle, in its first revision after January 1, 2025, of existing organic waste reduction regulations, to include revisions that require the department to consider alternatives in addition to census tracts for its review of low-population and elevation waiver applications from local jurisdictions. Required alternatives are boundaries submitted by local agencies, boundaries of incorporated cities, and boundaries of census-designated places.

2) Prohibits CalRecycle from considering alternatives to census tracts in waiver applications until after it adopts revised regulations.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1231 (Allen) - Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act: environmental advertising.**

Establishes a new process by which producers of plastic products under the Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act (SB 54) can petition CalRecycle to authorize a material as meeting the requirements of the state's recyclability labeling law if it is trending towards the recyclability standard set by the state's truth in labeling law SB 343.

Specifically, this bill:

1) Authorizes producers of covered plastics material to petition CalRecycle, on or before January 1, 2026, to identify material types and forms that are trending toward meeting the requirements of SB 343 and measurable increase of statewide collection and sorting rates, for which continued increase in collection, sorting, and viable responsible end market development will be disrupted by loss of recyclable designation.

2) Requires CalRecycle to approve or deny a petition within 60 days, to consider the information in the petition and its waste characterization study, and to include reasons for the denial and additional information that may be helpful in approving future petitions.

3) Provides that a product is exempt from the chasing arrows truth in labeling law if manufactured up to 24 months after the date CalRecycle publishes its first update to a specified material characterization study and for which a producer or group of producers has submitted a petition to CalRecycle authorized by this bill.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1232 (Grove) - Organic waste: collection requirements: exemption.**

Exempts a portion of a county from the prescribed organic waste collection requirements if the county proposed a fee for the collection of organic waste in that portion of that county and the county did not impose the fee in that portion of that county because, when submitted to property owners for approval, it was rejected.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Local Government

### **SB-1239 (Grove) - State vehicle fleet: zero-emission vehicles: raw materials: child labor.**

Requires the Department of General Services (DGS) to require a zero-emission vehicle (ZEV) supplier to certify that any raw materials used in the manufacturing of a ZEV purchased for the state vehicle fleet come from mining operations that are free of child labor.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1302 (Blakespear) - The California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act: recycling machines.**

Authorizes up to three recycling machine pilot projects under the California Beverage Container Recycling Program (BCRP). The bill defines recycling machines, as machines that both collect and process beverage containers and specifies that recycling machine operators are eligible for processing payments and handling fees.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1306 (Skinner) - Recycling: rare earth metals: report.**

Requires CalRecycle to submit a report to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2027, relating to the in-state collection, recycling, reuse, and stockpiling for domestic consumption of precious metals, critical minerals, as defined, and other similar valuable materials as reasonably decided by the department, contained within products in the state.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1426 (Blakespear) - Waste reduction: undiverted materials.**

Prohibits exclusive waste diversion franchises and contracts from exceeding the services under their exclusive authorization. This bill also specifies that entities can collect undiscarded organic material from nonresidential customers if that material is diverted from the landfill in a manner not offered by a local jurisdiction's ordinance or franchise agreement.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Environmental Quality

### **AB-2 (Ward) - Recycling: solar photovoltaic modules.**

Adds consumer-owned solar panels as a covered product under the Electronic Waste Recycling Act of 2003 and establishes a fee for consumers to achieve the safe end-of-life of these panels. The bill also requires that solar panels that are not consumer-owned be part of a solar panel end-of-life plan.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **AB-863 (Aguiar-Curry) - Carpet recycling: carpet stewardship organizations: fines: succession: procedure.**

Increases the civil penalty amounts for violations of the state's carpet stewardship law to \$10,000 per day, or \$50,000 per day if the violation is intentional, knowing, or reckless, and specifies that a carpet stewardship organization that violates the carpet stewardship law three or more times is ineligible to act as an agent on behalf of manufacturers to design, submit, and administer a carpet stewardship plan and specifies that if a carpet stewardship organization becomes ineligible to operate the program, the successor provisions in the existing carpet stewardship law shall apply.

The bill also authorizes CalRecycle to adopt regulations to set requirements for the

carpet manufacturers and PROs to bring the program into compliance if CalRecycle determines that a PRO or manufacturer is out of compliance. Requires a carpet stewardship organization, as part of its carpet stewardship plan, to: (a) prioritize in-state expenditure of carpet assessments and (b) allocate up to 10 percent of the assessments for grants to apprenticeship programs.

**Status:** Chapter 675, Statutes of 2024

#### **AB-1347 (Ting) - Solid waste: paper waste: proofs of purchase.**

Bans bisphenol A (BPA) in paper receipts beginning Jan 1, 2024. Beginning January 1, 2025, the bill bans bisphenol S (BPS) in receipts and prohibits stores from giving consumers paper receipts unless requested.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

#### **AB-1489 (Wood) - Solid waste: compostable covered materials.**

Specifies that compostable covered materials are not subject to the source reduction requirements of the Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act (SB 54, Allen, Chapter 75, Statutes of 2022).

**Status:** Assembly-Vetoed

#### **AB-1526 (Committee on Natural Resources) - Public resources.**

Makes various technical, clarifying, and cleanup changes to the Public Resources Code, including extending certain Geologic Energy Management Division (CalGEM) deadlines, creating a process to allow for more than one use of the one-time conversion exemption under the Forest Practice Act, add aerosol paint to the Architectural Paint Recovery Program, and adopt technical and clarifying amendments to Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act.

**Status:** Chapter 848, Statutes of 2023

#### **AB-1548 (Hart) - Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: grant program: recycling infrastructure projects.**

Adds specificity to the types of projects that are eligible for CalRecycle's grant program that provides financial assistance to promote the development of organic waste infrastructure and waste reduction programs.

**Status:** Chapter 693, Statutes of 2023

#### **AB-1628 (McKinnor) - Microfiber filtration.**

Requires that new washing machines sold in California for residential or state use contain a microfiber filtration system and informational label by January 1, 2029. This provision will be enforced with a civil penalty of up to \$10,000 for a first violation and \$30,000 for each subsequent violation.

**Status:** Assembly-Vetoed

### **AB-2311 (Bennett) - Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: grant program: edible food.**

Adds recovery of edible food, as specified, to the list of activities eligible to receive financial assistance from CalRecycle, and requires CalRecycle to consider the increased amount of edible food recovery capacity created when awarding grants to do so.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **AB-2346 (Lee) - Organic waste reduction regulations: procurement of recovered organic waste products.**

Revises the organic materials procurement requirements established by SB 1383 (Lara) Chapter 395, Statutes of 2016, including authorizing local jurisdictions to invest in specified activities related to organic materials recycling in lieu of procuring recovered organics, expanding the types of products that are eligible for procurement credit, and making other changes to the calculations used to establish procurement credits and targets.

**Status:** Chapter 712, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-2511 (Berman) - Beverage container recycling: market development payments.**

Extends the sunset date for the Plastic Market Development Payment Program (PMDP) from July 1, 2025, to July 1, 2027.

**Status:** Chapter 405, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-2514 (Aguiar-Curry) - Solid waste: organic waste: diversion: hydrogen: biomethane.**

Defines pyrolysis, requires CalRecycle to include pipeline biomethane converted from organic waste as eligible for procurement credit by local jurisdictions, and makes biosolids handling projects by the Town of Windsor and the Windsor Water District eligible for an existing CalRecycle grant program to promote organic waste diversion among other actions.

**Status:** Senate-Died

### **AB-2902 (Wood) - Organic waste: reduction regulations: exemptions.**

Revises the state's organic waste reduction requirements established by SB 1383 (Lara) Chapter 395, Statutes of 2016, including waiving rural jurisdictions from collection and procurement requirements until Jan 1, 2037, and exempting bear bins from the collection bin lid color requirements and making them eligible for CalRecycle grants, among other changes.

**Status:** Chapter 421, Statutes of 2024

## Water Quality

### **SB-23 (Caballero) - Water supply and flood risk reduction projects: expedited permitting.**

Requires the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), regional water quality control boards (regional boards), and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) to take final action on water quality certifications issued under the federal Clean Water Act or issue a final Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (LSAA) for water supply and flood risk reduction projects in specific timeframes and modifies the substantive standards applicable for those certifications and agreements.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-659 (Ashby) - California Water Supply Solutions Act of 2023.**

Establishes the California Water Supply Solutions Act of 2023 to, among other things, require the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to develop a groundwater recharge action plan by January 1, 2026, that provides actionable recommendations that result in the ability to create additional groundwater recharge capacity of 10,000,000 acre-feet by December 31, 2035.

**Status:** Chapter 624, Statutes of 2023

### **SB-687 (Eggman) - Water Quality Control Plan: Delta Conveyance Project.**

Requires the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to adopt a final update of the 1995 Water Quality Control Plan (WQCP) for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary (Bay-Delta) before the State Water Board may consider a change in point diversion or any other water rights permit or order for the Delta Conveyance Project.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1147 (Portantino) - Drinking water: bottled water: microplastics levels.**

Requires the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) to study the health effects of microplastics in drinking water and bottled water, and authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board, after OEHHA's study is complete, to request that OEHHA develop a public health goal (PHG) for microplastics in drinking water.

**Status:** Chapter 881, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-1178 (Padilla) - California Water Quality and Public Health Protection Act.**

Requires the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to establish new regulations for compliance entities, as defined, governing annual reporting of waste discharges potentially impacting state water quality and public health, not to exceed 50 miles from the California border.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations



### **SB-1188 (Laird) - Drinking water: technical, managerial, and financial standards.**

Requires the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to develop and adopt minimum technical, managerial, and financial (TMF) capacity standards for specified water systems and requires those water systems to comply with the TMF standards.

**Status:** Chapter 507, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-1208 (Padilla) - Waste discharge permits: landfills.**

Prohibits a Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) from issuing a waste discharge permit for a new landfill that is used for the disposal of nonhazardous solid waste, if the new landfill is to be located within the Tijuana River National Estuarine Research Reserve, or within an area that is a tributary of the Tijuana River.

**Status:** Assembly-Died

### **SB-1255 (Durazo) - Public water systems: needs analysis.**

Requires the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to update a needs analysis of the state's public water systems to include an assessment of the funds necessary to: provide a 20% discount for low-income households served by specified community water systems; and for those same community water systems to meet a specified affordability threshold.

**Status:** Assembly-Died - Appropriations

### **SB-1304 (Limón) - Underground injection control: aquifer exemption.**

Revises the state process for submission of a Class II Underground Injection Control (UIC) program aquifer exemption proposal to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) including requiring the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to make the submission following an environmental review in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as provided, among other provisions.

**Status:** Chapter 467, Statutes of 2024

### **SB-1440 (Laird) - Water quality: stormwater: reporting.**

Requires the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to annually report on reasonable efforts undertaken by Regional Water Quality Control Boards (regional water boards) to identify dischargers of stormwater that have not obtained coverage under an appropriate stormwater permit.

**Status:** Chapter 478, Statutes of 2024

### **AB-249 (Holden) - Water: schoolsites: lead testing: conservation.**

Requires, on or before January 1, 2027, a community water system that serves a schoolsite receiving federal Title I funds to test for lead in each of the schoolsite's potable water system outlets and to report the results to the State Water Resources

Control Board (State Water Board) and applicable school or Local Educational Agency (LEA); and requires LEAs or schools, if lead levels exceed 5 parts per billion (ppb), to perform specified actions.

**Status:** Assembly-Vetoed

### **AB-279 (Blanca Rubio) - San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority: annual pumping right assessment.**

Raises the maximum amount the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority (Authority) can impose for an annual pumping assessment from ten dollars to twenty dollars.

**Status:** Chapter 799, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-541 (Wood) - California Safe Drinking Water Act: wildfire aftermath: benzene testing.**

Requires the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to require a public water system that has experienced a wildfire event of 300 acres or more that damaged or destroyed a structure or structures connected to its distribution system to perform sample collection and analysis for the presence of benzene. Authorizes the State Water Board to require a public water system to take specified follow-up actions if benzene is detected in water following testing after a wildfire as described in this bill, including further testing, providing notice to customers, and taking remediation actions.

**Status:** Chapter 530, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-664 (Lee) - California Safe Drinking Water Act.**

Requires the owner of any domestic well that serves a rental property and is located within a consolidation or extended service area, if the owner does not provide written consent, to ensure that tenants of rental properties served solely by that domestic well have access to an adequate supply of safe drinking water.

**Status:** Chapter 810, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-682 (Mathis) - State Water Resources Control Board: online search tool: funding applications.**

Requires the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to, by January 1, 2025, update its online search tool for funding applications to include, at a minimum, specified information relating to the status of water systems' funding applications.

**Status:** Chapter 340, Statutes of 2023

### **AB-753 (Papan) - State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account: annual proceeds transfers.**

Creates the Waterway Recovery Account (Waterway Account) within the Waste Discharge Permit Fund, and transfer forty percent of the funds from the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account (Abatement Account) to the Waterway

Account for water quality restoration projects with a significant nexus to the community harmed by the original water quality violation.

**Status:** Assembly-Vetoed

**AB-805 (Arambula) - Sewer service: disadvantaged communities.**

Authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), until January 1, 2029, to require a sewer service provider—for a sewer system serving a disadvantaged community that has failed to meet regulatory standards, or to maintain the technical, managerial, and financial capacity needed to prevent waste, fraud, and abuse—to contract with an administrator designated or approved by the State Water Board.

**Status:** Chapter 505, Statutes of 2024

**AB-990 (Grayson) - Water quality: waste discharge requirements: infill housing projects.**

Requires the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board to initiate modifications to a specified provision in its amended 2022 Municipal Regional Stormwater National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit; engage specified stakeholders in developing these modifications; and make several findings before finalizing the modifications, including removal of affordable housing requirements for specified permit credits.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

**AB-1115 (Papan) - Barry Keene Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Trust Fund Act of 1989: brownfields remediation and redevelopment.**

Extends the provisions of the Barry Keene Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Trust Fund Act (UST Act) and Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Trust Fund (USTCTF) to January 1, 2036.

**Status:** Chapter 561, Statutes of 2023

**AB-1627 (Lee) - California Safe Drinking Water Act.**

Aligns state law with federal requirements by deleting a provision within the California Safe Drinking Water Act (California SDWA) that applies to food facilities that are regulated under the California Retail Food Code.

**Status:** Chapter 173, Statutes of 2023

**AB-1851 (Holden) - Drinking water: schoolsites: lead testing pilot program.**

Requires the State Superintendent of Public Instruction (SSPI) to establish a pilot program to test for and remediate lead contamination in drinking water at participating local educational agency (LEA) facilities with plumbing that was installed before January 1, 2010.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

**AB-2318 (Papan) - State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account: receipts and expenditures: report.**

Requires, no later than January 1 of each year, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to post on its internet website a report describing the receipts and expenditures of the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account (Abatement Account).

**Status:** Chapter 957, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2454 (Lee) - Drinking water: rental property: domestic well testing.**

Requires an owner of a domestic well that serves a rental property located within the boundaries of a free water testing program, to participate in the program and perform specified actions, including providing test results to tenants and, if the test results demonstrate a violation of any primary drinking water standard, ensuring tenants have access to an adequate supply of safe drinking water.

**Status:** Chapter 506, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2501 (Alvarez) - Water quality control plans: donations and grants.**

Authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to, on behalf of itself or a regional water quality control board (Regional Water Board), accept moneys from public agencies for projects of public benefit, as designated.

**Status:** Chapter 833, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2599 (Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials) - Water: public beaches: discontinuation of residential water service.**

Authorizes a local health officer, in the event of a known untreated sewage release, to use test results from other parties conducting microbiological contamination testing, to satisfy the testing requirements for beach water quality. Makes a technical change to the Water Shutoff Protection Act.

**Status:** Chapter 411, Statutes of 2024

**AB-3004 (Mike Fong) - Proposition 65: certificates of merit: Attorney General communications.**

Requires a person, when filing an action under the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65), to include the brand name of the product tested with the certificate of merit.

**Status:** Senate-Died - Appropriations

**AB-3090 (Maienschein) - Drinking water standards: emergency notification plan.**

Authorizes and encourages a public water system, when updating an emergency notification plan, to provide notification to water users, by means of other

communications technology, including but not limited to, text messages, email, or social media.

**Status:** Chapter 68, Statutes of 2024

**AJR-12 (Alvarez) - Tijuana River: cross-border pollution.**

Urges the United States Congress and President Joseph R. Biden to fully fund the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (US EPA) Comprehensive Infrastructure Solution for the Tijuana River due to the ongoing impacts on public health, the environment, and the local economy caused by cross-border pollution and would urge President Joseph R. Biden to declare a national emergency due to those ongoing impacts.

**Status:** Chapter 201, Statutes of 2024