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Joint Oversight Hearing
Department of Toxic Substances Control Reform: Update – Evaluation
of the Board of Environmental Safety
Assembly Environmental Safety & Toxic Materials Committee
Senate Environmental Quality Committee

Tuesday, August 4, 2026 1:30PM
State Capitol, Room 447

Agenda

- 1) *Introduction:* Assemblymember Damon Connolly, Chair of the Assembly Environmental Safety & Toxic Materials Committee, and Senator Catherine Blakespear, Chair of the Senate Environmental Quality Committee
- 2) *Perspectives of the Board of Environmental Safety*
 - Angela Johnson Meszaros, Senior Attorney, Community Partnerships Program, Earthjustice
 - Dawn Koepke, McHugh Koepke Padron on behalf of the California Council for Environmental & Economic Balance (CCEEB)
 - Miguel Alatorre, Executive Director, UNIDOS Network
- 3) *Updates from the Newsom Administration on California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) Reform:*
 - Andrew Rakestraw, Chair of the California Board of Environmental Safety
 - Katherine Butler, Director of DTSC
- 4) *Public comment.*