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State & Local Policy Update to End Litter & Illegal Dumping IDCon24

NSAC'S VISION: The United States attains an equitable, circular economy.

NSAC: Celebrating 9 Years!



2019 Global Product Stewardship Council International Forum Paris, France



2023 California Resource Recovery Association Conference



2019 Textile Exchange Conference, Vancouver Canada



National Association of Clean Water Agencies Washington D.C., 2020



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Who is NSAC & SAF?



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The National Stewardship Action Council (NSAC) is a 501(c)4 non-profit organization. NSAC is a network of committed proponents comprised of governments, non-government organizations, businesses, & consumers who advocate that producers fairly share responsibility in an equitable, circular economy.

<u>Vision:</u> The U.S. attains an equitable, Circular Economy.



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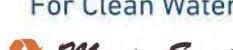






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Merlin Plastics

















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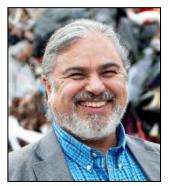


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What is a Circular Economy?

It is based on three principles:

- 1. Design out waste and pollution.
- 2. Keep products and materials in use.
- 3. Regenerate natural systems.



Decouples economic activity from the consumption of finite resources.



One Cause of Illegal Dumping = Lack of or Costly End-of-life Management

- Free & convenient disposal
- Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)
- Product Stewardship
- Deposits
- Bounties
- Strong penalties & enforcement



How We Got Here: Alameda County – 1st EPR Ordinance in the U.S.

- 7/24/2012: Adopts first EPR ordinance for meds in U.S.
- 12/29/14: PhRMA and other plaintiff organizations file a Petition For Writ of Certiorari asking the U.S. Supreme Court to consider the case Petition text
- 5/26/15: Denied! National Impact!
- EPR in U.S. allowed so long as the product has a public health and safety nexus





"We will win legally and will win in the court of public opinion as well," Mr. Miley said.

SB 1143 (Allen): Household Hazardous Waste Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)

- NSAC-sponsored
- #1 Recommendation from the CA Recycling Commission!
- Vermont passed in 2023
- Status: Senate Appropriations -Suspense Hearing 5/16
- Support: Local governments, material managers, ENGOs, etc.
- Opposition: American Chemistry Council, CalChamber, etc.



News > Environmental exposure to home chemicals tied to increased ALS risk

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Panelists will share the latest on Extended Producer Responsibility policies for Household Hazardous Waste



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Marine Flare EPR: **SB** 1066 (Blakespear)

- First in the nation!
- NSAC & Zero Waste Sonoma Sponsored
- \$185/flare (Zero Waste Sonoma) to properly dispose of in Missouri -\$10.55 for Alameda County!
- Can purchase new for ~\$13!
- Status: Senate Appropriations -Suspense Hearing 5/16
- Support: Local government, fire departments, harbors, material managers, park districts, ENGOs, etc.
- Opposition: Orion, Recreational Boaters of California, National Marine Manufacturers Association





We want your input! Join us on 5/6!







Carpet & Flooring

- Consumer fee program
- Original bill: AB 2398 (Perez) 2010. First in the world!
- Clean-up Bill #1: AB 1158 (Chu) 2017 (NSAC-Sponsored)
- Clean-up Bill #2: AB 729 (Chu) 2019 (NSAC-Sponsored)
- **#3: AB 863 (Aguiar-Curry) 2024 (NSAC-Sponsored)**
 - Status: Senate Floor
 - Amendments coming!







Solving "Clean" Tech End-of-Life Crises

- 1. SB 615 (Allen): Electric Vehicle (EV) Batteries

 Status: Assembly Environmental Safety & Toxic Materials Committee
- 2. **AB 2 (Ward):** Consumer fee for customer owned photovoltaic (PV) panels, distributor responsibility

 Status: Senate Appropriations Committee







Smoking Waste

Colorado: HB 1069 (Valdez)

would create an electronic smoking device recycling strategies advisory group to make strategic recommendations for the recycling of single use vapes.



Local Smoking Waste Policies



Bottle Bill

- Only 10 states with Bottle Bills/ Recycling Refunds
- Lack of infrastructure. Industry needs domestic material! Glass being imported from France! Recycled plastic from SE Asia!
- 75% of Americans support.



Hearing on 9/28/23!



Bill #	What it will Do	Status
AB 2511 (Berman)	Plastic Market Development program sunset extension by 6 months.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 2762 (Friedman)	Reusable beverage containers rates and dates.	Assembly Appropriations
SB 551 (Portantino)	Joint manufacturer reporting for recycled content requirements.	Assembly Appropriations
SB 1113 (Newman)	Pilot project sunset extension to 2034.	Senate Appropriations
SB 1302 (Blakespear)	Recycling machines - processor & recycling center.	Senate Appropriations



2024 Plastics Bills

Bill #	What it will Do	Status
AB 2214 (Bauer-Kahan & McKinnor)	OPC microplastics strategy implementation recommendations	Assembly Appropriations
AB 2236 (Bauer-Kahan, Allen, Blakespear)	Plastic bag ban (SB 1053 companion bill)	Assembly Appropriations
AB 2648 (Bennett)	Single-use plastic bottles - state agencies	Assembly Appropriations
AB 2916 (Friedman)	Expanded polystyrene ban - buoys, docks, piers, or other floating devices	Assembly Appropriations
SB 1053 (Blakespear)	Plastic bag ban (AB 2236 companion bill)	Senate Appropriations
SB 1167 (Blakespear)	Reusable cups upon request at chain restaurants	Failed

California Tried to Ban Plastic Grocery Bags. It Didn't Work.

A ban on single-use bags included an exemption for bags meant to be reused and recycled. Except, they weren't. New legislation aims to fix that.



Local Plastic Waste Policies



Gypsum

Details







Implementation

Bill#	What It Does	Status
AB 1201 (Ting)	Truth in Labeling for composting.	Regulations by 1/1/2026.
AB 2440 (Irwin)	Responsible Battery Recycling Act of 2022. EPR for loose batteries.	Regulations effective no earlier than 4/1/25.
SB 343 (Allen) – NSAC Co-sponsored	Truth in Labeling for recycling.	Draft Preliminary Findings Report released. Formal public meeting to be held.
SB 54 (Allen) – NSAC negotiated	Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act. EPR 3.0+	Formal rulemaking. Regulations by 1/1/2025.
SB 1013 (Atkins)	Bottle bill expansion to include wine & distilled spirits, expanded convenience zones, grant programs	Draft regulations released 3/8/2024.
SB 1215 (Newman)	Embedded batteries to existing Covered Electronic Waste (CEW) consumer visible fee program.	Regulations by 1/1/25.



SB 54: Packaging EPR Implementation

- 5/3: Advisory Board Meeting
- 5/8: Comments on SB 54 Regulations due to CalRecycle
- **5/17**:
 - Deadline to submit nonregulatory comments on the Covered Material Categories
 - Advisory Board Meeting



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CA: Legislator Study Trips www.cfee.net

CA Foundation for Environment & Economy added Circular Economy to Bylaws in 2022!

- 1. 2019: Vancouver, British Columbia & Seattle, WA
- 2. 2020: Portland, OR & Seattle, WA
- **3. 2021:** Vancouver, British Columbia & Toronto, Ontario
- 4. 2022: Portland, ME & Montreal, Quebec
- 2023: Vancouver, British Columbia; Calgary & Banff, Alberta
- **6. 2024:** Colorado & New Mexico!









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"Twenty years from now, our hope is that nothing goes onto market that has no end-oflife management program in place."

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