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Assembly Bills

Bill No: **AB 84 (Woods) Sponsor: California Rice Industry Association & Rice Producers Association**
Subject: **State Contracts: Procurement of Recycled Paper Products**
Intro: Would include fibrous residues from agricultural cropping activities within the definition of
12/23/96 "secondary materials" for the purpose of specified provisions.
Status: Referred to the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and Economic Development Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 107 (Ducheny) Sponsor: Assembly Budget Committee**
Subject: **1997-98 Budget**
Intro: Would make appropriations for support of State government for the 1997-98 fiscal year.
1/9/97
Status: Referred to the Assembly Budget Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 116 (Runner) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Waste: Biological Solids: Water Quality**
Intro: Would prohibit a regional board from issuing a permit for the spreading of sewage sludge or
1/13/97 other biological solids unless a public hearing is held within the city or county in which the spreading is to occur.
Status: Set to be heard before the Assembly Natural Resources Committee on 3/10/97.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 170 (Papan) Sponsor: Citicorp**
Subject: **Claims Against the State**
Intro: Would specify that interest penalty fee provisions in contracts may not be waived, altered,
1/28/97 or limited by a State agency or the person or business contracting with the State agency.
Status: Referred to the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and Economic Development Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 175 (Torlakson) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Environmental Quality**
Intro: Would authorize a lead agency to consider, among other things, previously completed local
1/28/97 and regional planning documents, site availability, and jurisdictional boundaries, in determining the feasibility of a project alternatives when preparing and certifying a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) report.
Status: Referred to the Assembly Natural Resources Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 179 (Bowen) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Public Records**
Intro: Would provide that public records that are in an electronic format shall, unless prohibited by
1/30/97 law, be made available in that format when requested by a member of the public and that direct costs of duplicating public records shall include the costs associated with duplicating electronic records.
Status: Referred to the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 206 (Hertzberg) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Citizen Complaint Act of 1997**
Intro: Would require each State agency, including the California State University, to make
2/4/97 available on its Internet web site, on or before July 1, 1998, or within 6 months of the establishment of such a site, whichever is later, a form in plain language through which residents of the State can register complaints relating to the performance of a State agency.
Status: Double-referred to the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and Economic Development Committee and Assembly Televising the Assembly Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 228 (Midgen) Sponsor: Californians Against Waste**
Subject: **Newsprint: Recycled Content**
Intro: Would include as a consumer of newsprint, for purposes of specified provisions of the
2/5/97 California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989, any State agency that uses newsprint in a printing or publishing operation.
Status: Set to be heard before the Assembly Natural Resources Committee on 3/10/97.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 306 (Kaloogian) Sponsor: Intelligen, Inc.**
Subject: **Public Utilities: Electrical Restructuring**
Intro: Would include microgeneration as one of the described changes in usage for the
2/14/97 uneconomic costs applied to each customer based on the amount of electricity purchased by the customer from an electrical corporation or alternate supplier of electricity, subject to changes in usage occurring in the normal course of business.
Status: Referred to Assembly Utilities and Commerce Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 362 (Bowen) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Environmental Advertising**
Intro: Would make it unlawful for a person to represent that a consumer good, as defined, which it
2/19/97 manufactures or distributes, is ozone friendly, biodegradable, or meets specified marketing claims, unless the article meets specified definitions established in the trade rules adopted by the Federal Trade Commission.
Status: Referred to the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and Economic Development Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 375 (Firestone) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Solid Waste: Tires**
Intro: Would exempt a facility that generates electricity from the combustion of whole waste tires from provisions of the California Waste Management Act of 1989 related to establishing new waste tire facilities.
2/19/97
Status: Referred to the Assembly Natural Resources Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

AB 376 (Baca) Sponsor: Author
Bill No: **Public Contracts**
Subject:
Intro: Would require specified contracts that exceed a certain sum awarded by the State of California or any State agency be awarded through a publicized competitive bidding process to the lowest qualified bidder.
2/19/97
Status: Referred to the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and Economic Development Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 453 (Kuykendall) Sponsor: Business Properties Assn.**
Subject: **Public Works: Prevailing Wages**
Intro: Would make the current requirement relating to the payment of prevailing specified wages to all workers employed on public works projects applicable to public works projects greater than \$100,000.
2/24/97
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 475 (Pringle) Sponsor: California Chamber of Commerce**
Subject: **Office of Permit Assistance: Reports**
Intro: Would require, commencing with the first quarter of calendar year 1999, Cal/EPA, the Resources Agency and the State Board of Equalization to submit to the Office of Permit Assistance an annual report of the total dollar amount of fees or charges collected or assessed by each of those agencies and subdivisions thereof.
2/24/97
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 529 (Baldwin) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **State Funds**
Intro: Would provide that specified Budget Act revenues shall be deposited in the General Fund and not be expended unless the Legislature authorizes the expenditure.
2/24/97
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 592 (Kuehl) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Environmental Protection: Pollution Cleanup**
Intro: Would prohibit Cal/EPA and the offices, boards and departments within the agency from
2/25/97 allowing or authorizing any person responsible for any toxic emission or discharge into the
air, water, or land to inspect, monitor, enforce, supervise, or otherwise participate in the
cleanup regulatory process.
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 705 (Strom-Martin) Sponsor: Californians Against Waste**
Subject: **State and Local Recycling**
Intro: Would include building and construction materials, outdoor furniture, and landscaping
2/26/97 materials within the definition of recycled products for specified purposes.
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 733 (Washington) Sponsor: California State Bar**
Subject: **Hazardous Materials: Hazardous and Solid Waste: Public Education**
Intro: Would require the Director of Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to develop for
2/26/97 grades K-8 a public education program, providing curricula on hazardous materials and
hazardous and solid waste facilities, and a statewide public education campaign to meet
those objectives.
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 770 (Margett) Sponsor: California Council for Economic and Environmental**
Subject: **Balance**
Recyclable Materials
Intro: Would delete the requirement that recyclable materials be managed and stored in a specified
2/26/97 manner.
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 775 (Martinez) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Public Agencies: State Funds**
Intro: Would provide that no public agency, as defined, is eligible to receive State funds if the public
2/26/97 agency knowingly violates any State law or local ordinance.
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 847 (Wayne) Sponsor: Unknown**
Subject: **Hazardous Waste: Major Appliances**
Intro: Would prohibit the crushing for purposes of transportation or recycling any major appliance,
2/27/97 as defined, until all hazardous waste has been removed from the appliance.
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 964 (Bowen) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Solid Waste Landfills: Alternative Daily Cover**
Intro: Would require any local agency using alternative daily cover to meet its source reduction goals to also have in place a green waste collection, composting, and marketing program that makes the material available to residential, commercial, and government users who wish to purchase material.
2/27/98
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 1055 (Villaraigosa) Sponsor: Unknown**
Subject: **Recyclable Materials: Playground**
Intro: Would require the CIWMB to develop a program to inventory and inspect the uses of recyclable materials on public playgrounds.
2/27/97
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 1097 (Brown) Sponsor: Assembly Governmental Organization Committee**
Subject: **Open Meetings**
Intro: Would delete the repeal date of the law that authorizes a State body to hold an open or closed meeting by teleconference.
2/27/97
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 1157 (Wayne) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Hazardous Waste**
Intro: Would require the Department of Toxic Substances (DTSC) to issue a public notice not less than 30 days immediately preceding the date of granting a hazardous waste variance.
2/28/97
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 1169 (Shelley) Sponsor: Mountain Lion Foundation**
Subject: **Environmental and Resource Agencies: Posting of Electronic Mail**
Intro: Would require State environmental and resource agencies to post on the Internet specified information regarding meetings, and continue to maintain paper copies of such information.
2/28/97
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 1170 (Kaloogian) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **State Regulatory Agencies Created by Statutes: Review**
Intro: Would require the Bureau of State Audits to conduct a performance audit of each State regulatory agency, with specified exceptions.
2/28/97
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 1195 (Torlakson) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Hazardous Substances: Liability**
Intro: Would require a statement of the reasons for allocating responsibility to each respective
2/28/97 potentially responsible party to include specified factors pertaining to the amount of
hazardous substance for which the potentially responsible party may be responsible, the
degree of the toxicity of the hazardous substance, and the degree of involvement of the
potential responsible party.
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 1273 (Woods) Sponsor: CIWMB**
Subject: **Solid Waste Management**
Intro: Would make a number of technical code clean-up clarifications within the Public Resources
2/28/97 Code in areas related to solid waste management or programs administered by the CIWMB.
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 1393 (Alquist) Sponsor: Unknown**
Subject: **State and Local Government: Performance Audits**
Intro: Would require each State agency to complete a performance audit within two years of the
228/97 effective date of the bill.
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 1497 (Brown) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **State Agencies: Performance**
Intro: Would extend the date of a specified plan, devised by the Department of Finance (DOF), for
2/28/97 conducting performance reviews in conjunction with State agencies, departments offices, and
commissions, to March 1, 1998.
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 1512 (Shelley) Sponsor: Californians Against Waste**
Subject: **Beverage Containers: Recycling: Beverages**
Intro: Would require the Department of Conservation (DOC) to deposit specified revenue received
2/28/97 resulting from the inclusion of new defined beverages into the Beverage Container Refund
Account.
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **AB 1513 (Cardoza) Sponsor: Thermo-Eco-Teck**
Subject: **Income and Bank and Corporation Taxes: Credit: Agricultural**
Intro: Would provide a specified tax credit in an amount equal to \$30 per ton of agricultural
2/28/87 prunings that are delivered without charge to a biomass conversion facility.
Status: Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Senate Bills

Bill No: **SB 58 (Ayala) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **State Agencies Legislation**
Intro: Would require every State agency that may be significantly affected by a bill to prepare an analysis of the bill and deliver that analysis to the bill's author and each policy committee set to hear that bill no later than seven calendar days prior to the first hearing in that committee.
12/6/96
Status: Referred to the Senate Governmental Organization Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 74 (Kopp) Sponsor: California Newspaper Publishers Association**
Subject: **Records**
Intro: Would provide for ease of access to and public inspection of public records and copying in all forms.
12/12/96
Amended: 2/24/97
Status: Set to be heard before the Senate Judiciary Committee on 3/11/97.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 95 (Ayala) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Open Meetings**
Intro: Among other things, would provide State bodies may hold open and closed meetings by teleconference until 1/1/2001; and would include provisions relating to taping meetings, meeting agendas and notices, accessibility to disabled persons, etc.
12/19/96
Status: Set to be heard before the Senate Governmental Organization Committee on 3/18/97.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 105 (Ayala) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Water Quality: Contamination**
Intro: Would require all State and local public agencies to notify the public whenever the agencies become aware of the occurrence of an act that has caused the contamination of the waters of California.
12/24/96
Status: Double-referred to the Senate Environmental Quality Committee and the Senate Criminal Procedure Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 130 (Thompson) Sponsor: Senate Budget Committee**
Subject: **1997-98 Budget**
Intro: Would make an appropriation for support of State government for the 1997-98 fiscal year.
1/9/97
Status: Referred to Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 179 (Hughes) Sponsor: Glass Packaging Institute**
Subject: **Processing Fees**
Intro: Would make nonsubstantive technical changes in California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act provisions relating to imposition of processing fees.
1/22/97
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 209 (Kopp) Sponsor: California Law Revision Commission**
Subject: **Judicial Review: Governmental Agency Actions**
Intro: Would repeal and add provisions relating to governing judicial review of decisions of State agencies, local agencies, public corporations, and specified nongovernmental entities (hospital boards, etc.).
1/28/97
Status: Set to be heard before the Senate Judiciary Committee on 4/8/97.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 216 (Brulte) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Public Utilities: Electrical Restructuring**
Intro: Would make technical changes in provisions relating to the restructuring of the electrical services industry.
1/29/97
Status: Senate Committee on Rules for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 252 (Kelley) Sponsor: Regional Council of Rural Counties**
Subject: **Public Utilities: Electrical Restructuring**
Intro: Would require the Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by January 1, 1999, on recommendations for legislation relating to aggregation of electrical purchases by small rural counties.
2/4/97
Status: Referred to the Senate Energy, Utilities, and Commerce Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 261 (Kopp) Sponsor: California Law Revision Commission**
Subject: **Judicial Review: Government Agency Actions**
Intro: Would make judicial review of specified State agency and local agency actions subject to the provisions being added by SB 209 (becomes operative only if SB 209 becomes operative).
2/5/97
Status: Set to be heard before the Senate Judiciary Committee on 4/8/97.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 320 (Senate Housing and Land Use Committee) Sponsor: Committee**
Subject: **Housing and Land Use Omnibus Act of 1997**
Intro: Would combine several minor statutory changes relating to housing, land use, and related topics into a single measure. Would include legislative intent regarding straw-bale guidelines.
2/11/97
Status: Set to be heard before the Senate Housing and Land Use Committee on 4/21/97.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 412 (Peace) Sponsor: Unknown**
Subject: **State Contracts: Conflict of Interest**
Intro: Would declare the provisions of the State Contract Act relating to conflict of interest by
2/18/97 specified individuals or entities shall be expanded to encompass those that bid on or are
awarded specific contracts.
Status: Referred to the Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time
CIWMB Position: None at this time..

Bill No: **SB 423 (Hurtt) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Environmental Audit Reports: Privilege: Voluntary**
Intro: Would enact the Environmental Audit Privilege and Voluntary Noncompliance Disclosure Act
2/18/97 of 1997.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 424 (Hurtt) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Environmental Quality**
Intro: Would require an environmental impact report only on projects that are likely to have a
2/18/97 significant effect on the environment.
Status: Referred to the Senate Environmental Quality Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 436 (Sher) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Solid Waste: Beverage Containers**
Intro: Would require the CIWMB, in consultation with the Department of Conservation (DOC), to
2/18/97 submit to the Legislature a report identifying any duplication or overlap between CIWMB and
DOC programs pertaining to public information and education, local government review and
assistance, and recycled materials market development.
Status: Referred to the Senate Environmental Quality Committee.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 448 (Sher) Sponsor: City of Palo Alto**
Subject: **Public Records**
Intro: Would provide that the Public Records Act shall not be construed to require the disclosure of
2/19/97 specified information concerning municipal utility customers except for specified purposes.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 451 (Watson) Sponsor: California State Bar**
Subject: **Land Use: General Plans: Environmental Equity**
Intro: Would require the land use element to include policies and procedures addressing equitable
2/19/97 distribution of locally undesirable land uses, and the fair distribution of burdens within the
area, and that avoid disproportionate impacts against low-income communities as well as
racial and ethnic minorities.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 458 (Peace) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Disclosure of Personal Information**
Intro: Would prohibit a State agency, including the California State University, from sending any
2/19/97 correspondence to an individual that contains personal information about the individual
unless the personal information is contained within sealed correspondence.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 479 (Alpert) Sponsor: Unknown.**
Subject: **Public Contracts**
Intro: Would require the State Controller , with respect to contracts for engineering, architectural,
2/20/97 landscape architectural, surveying, environmental, or engineering geology services, to
prepare and verify an analysis of the cost of performing the work using State civil service
employees and the cost of the contract to be awarded by the State or any State agency.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 492 (Rosenthal) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **State Agencies and Boards: Internet**
Intro: Would require each State agency and regulatory board to provide public information on the
2/20/97 Internet related to suspensions and revocations of licenses issued by a State agency or
regulatory board.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 504 (Johnston) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Administrative Law: Written Communication**
Intro: Would require that any person submitting a written communication to a State agency in a
2/20/97 quasi-judicial proceeding that is directly paid for by anyone other than the person submitting
the written communication, clearly indicate any person who is paid for at least \$5,000 or 5
percent of the cost of producing the written communication, whichever is higher.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 598 (Sher) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Environmental Protection**
Intro: Would allow for the performance of voluntary audits of facilities and activities to determine
2/24/97 compliance with regulatory environmental requirements and to evaluate management system
related to those laws.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 647 (Brulte) Sponsor: California Manufacturers Association**
Subject: **Environmental Requirements**
Intro: Would prohibit the assessment of any civil or administrative sanctions against any person
2/25/96 who fully discloses a minor violation of an environmental requirement to the regulatory agency
having jurisdiction over the matter.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 660 (Sher) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Hazardous Waste Management Fees**
Intro: Would enact the Environmental Cleanup and Reform Act of 1997 and make legislative
2/25/96 findings and declarations concerning the State's hazardous waste management program and
existing fee and funding mechanisms.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 675 (Costa) Sponsor: Browning and Ferris Industries**
Subject: **Air Pollution: Odors**
Intro: Would extend the exemption of odors emanating directly from a facility or operations that
2/25/97 produce, manufacture, or handle compost from the prohibition of discharging of any air
contaminant or other material that causes injury, detriment, nuisance, or annoyance to, or
that endangers, a considerable number of persons or the public.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 681 (O'Connell) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Beverage Containers: Processing Fees: Handling Fees**
Intro: Would, as of January 1, 2004, repeal the requirements for the DOC to establish a
2/25/96 commingled rate, and would extend the existing procedures for calculating processing fees
until January 1, 2004.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 698 (Rainey) Sponsor: First Brands**
Subject: **Plastic Trash Bags**
Intro: Would require every manufacturer of plastic trash bags to ensure that at least 20% and on
2/25/96 and after January 1, 1997, at least 30%, of the materials used in those plastic bags is
recycled plastic postconsumer material.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 715 (Sher) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Environmental Quality: State Guidelines**
Intro: Would require that criteria included in guidelines prepared by the Office of Planning and
2/25/96 Research for implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) be
submitted to State agencies for review and comment.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 716 (Alpert) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Pacific Beach Mobile Recycling Program**
Intro: Would extend indefinitely the duration of the Pacific Beach Pilot Recycling Program, and
2/25/97 would delete the requirements that a report on the program be submitted to the Legislature.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 774 (Johannessen) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Restoration of Land: Disasters: CEQA Exemption**
Intro: Would provide that land and any appurtenant structures, as defined, in need of repairs due to
2/26/97 any natural or manmade disaster or an emergency are exempt from CEQA.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 878 (Karnette) Sponsor: City of Lakewood**
Subject: **Solid Waste; Diversion Requirements: Waste to Energy**
Intro: Would authorize a city, county, or regional agency to submit to the CIWMB a revised source
2/26/97 reduction and recycling element which includes diversion waste credit through waste to
energy to be applied toward specified diversion requirements.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 988 (Sher) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Solid Waste Management**
Intro: Would repeal the Used Oil Recycling Act and the Used Oil Collection Demonstration Grant
2/27/97 Program Act of 1990 administered by the CIWMB and would enact certain provisions of the
Used Oil Recycling Act as part of the California Oil Recycling Enhancement Act.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1000 (Rosenthal) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Future California Act of 1998**
Intro: Would, among other things, establish the Future California Act of 1998, a venue to examine
2/27/97 the State's future in its many dimensions, including demography, industry, environment,
policy, international relations and development.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1018 (Leslie) Sponsor: California Cattlemen's Association**
Subject: **Private Property: Illegal Dumping**
Intro: Would provide that in any case involving illegal dumping or littering of waste material on
2/27/97 private property located adjacent to a public road, without the consent of the private property
owner, the private property owner shall be liable or have the duty to provide for such cleanup.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1034 (Maddy) Sponsor: Bioclean Industries**
Subject: **Waste: Trauma Scene**
Intro: Would enact the Trauma Scene Waste Management Act and would, among other things,
2/27/97 authorize a permitted medical waste transfer station to accept and treat trauma scene
management waste as medical waste without additional approval of the Department of Health
Services.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1047 (Sher) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Environmental Protection: Regulatory Implementation**
Intro: Would enact the California Environmental Protection Agency Regulatory Implementation Act
2/27/97 of 1997 without substantive provisions.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1066 (Sher) Sponsors: City of San Jose, League of California Cities and**
Subject: **Californians Against Waste**
Solid Waste: Market Development
Intro: Would specifically include source reduction in specified legislative findings and declarations
2/27/97 relating to the achievement of market development goals set forth by the California Integrated
Waste Management Act of 1989 (IWMA).
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1081 (Calderon) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Hazardous Materials: Mediation-Arbitration**
Intro: Would establish the Environmental Responsibility Acceptance Act, providing for the mediation
2/28/97 of potential liability claims for damage to real property by hazardous materials.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1093 (Rainey) Sponsor: Governance Consensus Project**
Subject: **State Budget: Performance Measures**
Intro: Would declare that the State budget shall focus on the results of government services at the
2/28/97 State and local levels, that State and local government officials are required to respect existing program evaluation requirements and program performance measures, and the outcome measures are to be realistic and commensurate with the revenue levels for each program.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1113 (Solis) Sponsor: Unknown**
Subject: **Environmental Quality: Ethnic Populations**
Intro: Would prohibit a lead agency from certifying an environmental impact report prepared under
2/28/97 the direction of CEQA, unless it includes an analysis of the impacts of the project on nearby ethnic populations.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1114 (Solis) Sponsor: Unknown**
Subject: **Regulatory Programs: Small Business**
Intro: Would create the Small Business Environmental Regulatory Assistance Center to serve as a
2/28/97 "one stop shop" and clearinghouse for information and assistance on environmental regulatory programs affecting small business.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1117 (Hayden) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Judicial Review: Public Utilities**
Intro: Would express the intent of the Legislature that judicial review of decisions by State agencies,
2/28/97 including the Public Utilities Commission, relating to CEQA, conform to the provisions of that act.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1132 (Polanco) Sponsor: Department of General Services**
Subject: **Public Acquisitions**
Intro: Would repeal the law that provides for a comprehensive scheme for State procurement of
2/28/97 materials, supplies, equipment, and services and establish in its place the California Acquisition Reform Act of 1997.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1157 (Maddy) Sponsor: Department of Conservation**
Subject: **Beverage Containers: Nonprofit Dropoff Programs**
Intro: Would define the terms "nonprofit dropoff program" and "dropoff and collection program" for
2/28/97 the purposes of the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1175 (Sher) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Oil Recycling**
Intro: Would make a technical, nonsubstantive change in the definition of the term "bulk oil" in the
2/28/97t California Oil Recycling Enhancement Act.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1179 (Polanco) Sponsor: Browning and Ferris Industries**
Subject: **Solid Waste Handlers: Indemnity Agreements**
Intro: Would require that any term, condition, or requirement in any franchise, contract, agreement,
2/28/97 license, or permit granted or issued by any city, county, or district for municipal solid waste
collection or recycling that requires the solid waste handler, in substance, to indemnify the
city, county, or district for fines or penalties imposed by the CIWMB, is subject to specified
restrictions or enforceability.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1196 (Leslie) Sponsor: Alpine County**
Subject: **Solid Waste Management: Local Planning: Report**
Intro: Would make technical and clarifying changes to specified provisions of the California
2/28/97 Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 which establish a state integrated waste
management program.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1273 (Hurt) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **State Agencies: Electronic Mail**
Intro: Would provide that any requirement that a State agency send material, information or other
2/28/97 specified correspondence through the United States mail shall be deemed to include the
authority for the State agency to send those materials by electronic mail upon the request of
the recipient.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1304 (O'Connell) Sponsor: Unknown**
Subject: **State Budget: Zero-Based Budgeting**
Intro: Would establish a task force during the 1998-1999 and 1999-2000 fiscal years to develop a
2/28/97 program of training and education to facilitate zero-based budgeting for the 2000-2001 fiscal
year.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1305 (Sher) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Public Utilities: Electricity**
Intro: Would require the Power Exchange to require electricity suppliers to submit specified
2/28/97 information on energy fuel types and emissions.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1330 (Lockyer) Sponsor: Cattlemen's Association**
Subject: **Solid Waste: Diversion Requirements**
Intro: Would authorize one or more single or multi-year time extensions from the pre-existing
2/28/97 diversion requirements established by the CIWMB.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SB 1341 (Costa) Sponsor: Unknown.**
Subject: **Solid Waste: Local Enforcement Agencies: Appeals**
Intro: Would establish an enforcement program administer by local enforcement agencies certified
2/28/97 by the CIWMB.
Status: Senate Rules Committee for policy committee assignment.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: **SCR 15 (Peace) Sponsor: Author**
Subject: **Public Utilities: Electrical Restructuring: Public Utilities**
Intro: Would create the Joint Oversight Committee on Electricity and Reform to oversee the
2/5/97 implementation of AB 1890, SB 960, and SB 1322.
Amended:
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Status: Passed the Senate Floor (35-0) on 2/27/97; referred to Assembly Desk.
LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

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HR 277 (Schumer, D-NY)

Environmental Crimes and Enforcement Act of 1997

Would increase penalties and strengthen enforcement of environmental crimes.

Status: Introduced January 7, 1997; joint referral to House Committees on Judiciary, Commerce, Agriculture, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Resources.

HR 316 (Solomon, R-NY)

Hazardous Waste Recycling Tax Credit Act of 1997

Would amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a refundable income tax credit for the recycling of hazardous waste.

Status: Introduced January 7, 1997; referred to House Committee on Ways and Means.

HR 360 (Towns, D-NY)

Waste Export and Import Prohibition Act

Would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to prohibit the international export and import of certain solid waste.

Status: Introduced on January 7, 1997; referred to the House Committee on Commerce.

HR 688 (Schaefer, Dan (R-CO)

Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Amendments Act of 1997

Would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to require at least 85 percent of funds appropriated to the Environmental Protection Agency from the leaking underground storage tank trust fund to be distributed to States for cooperative agreements for undertaking corrective action and for enforcement of subtitle I of such act.

Status: Introduced on February 11, 1997; joint referral to House Committee on Commerce and House Committee on Ways and Means.

S 8 (Smith, Robert C., R-NH)

Superfund Cleanup Acceleration Act of 1997

Would reauthorize and amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response Liability, and Compensation Act of 1980. The bill would streamline cleanups, delegate authority to states and exempt all generators and transporters at co-disposal landfills, or those that mainly receive municipal solid waste and sewage sludge, for conduct prior to January 1, 1997.

Status: Introduced on January 21, 1997; referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S 18 (Lautenberg, D-NJ)

Brownfields and Environmental Cleanup Act of 1997

Would assist the States and local governments in assessing and remediating brownfield sites and encouraging environmental cleanup programs. The bill would authorize \$10 million in grants for states and local governments to inventory and assess brownfield sites. Additionally, it would authorize \$15 million in grants for states to establish and capitalize low interest loan programs to clean up the sites and would limit the potential liability of innocent buyers of brownfields.

Status: Introduced on January 21, 1997; referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S 104 (Murkowski, R-AK)

Nuclear Waste

Among other things, would establish Yucca Mountain as the site for an interim storage facility and would require EPA to issue standards to protect the public from radioactive leaks from a permanent nuclear waste repository.

Status: Introduced on January 21, 1997; public hearing held in Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on February 5, 1997.

S 215 (Jeffords, R-VT)

National Beverage Container Reuse and Recycling Act of 1997

Would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to require a refund value for certain beverage containers to provide resources for State pollution prevention and recycling programs.

Status: Introduced on January 28, 1997; referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S 237 (Bumpers, D-AR)

Electric Consumers Protection Act of 1997

Would provide for retail competition by December 15, 2000, among electric energy suppliers for the benefit and protection of consumers. Would define "renewable energy" as electricity generated from solar, wind, waste, except municipal waste, biomass, hydroelectric or geothermal resources.

Status: Introduced on January 30, 1997; referred to the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S 297 (Bryan (D-NV)

Nuclear Waste Independent Review Act

Would establish a Presidential commission on nuclear waste.

Status: Introduced on February 11, 1997; referred to the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.