

Floor Alert! Support SB 343 (Allen): Truth in Recyclable Labeling

- Prohibits the use of the chasing-arrows symbol unless the material is actually recycled in most California communities and is routinely sold to manufacturers to make new products.
- The chasing-arrows symbol is universally recognized as the symbol for recycling.
- Right now, any product or package can include the chasing-arrows symbol, even if it is not recyclable.
- As a result, consumers are confused about which material is suitable for the recycling bin.

- Improper sorting by the consumer results in contamination in the system. Contamination in the recycling system results in increased costs and ratepayers foot the bill to transport, sort, and ultimately landfill materials that are supposed to go in the trash.
- SB 343 will help end consumer confusion about which material is suitable for the recycling bin, reduce contamination, and lower costs.

This bill is supported by over 70 waste haulers and recyclers, local governments, environmental stewardship organizations, NGOs, national and statewide recycling associations, and businesses.

National Stewardship Action Council (co-sponsor)

Californians Against Waste (co-sponsor)

Active San Gabriel Valley

Algalita

Alliance of Mission-Based Recyclers

Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments Asian Pacific Islander Forward Movement

Ban SUP

California League of Conservation Voters California Product Stewardship Council California Resource Recovery Association California State Association of Counties California Waste and Recycling Association

CALPIRG

Center for Oceanic Awareness, Research and

Education

Central Contra Costa Waste Authority

City of Los Angles
City of Long Beach
City of Thousand Oaks
Clean Water Action
Colorado Medical Waste
Container Recycling Institute

Credo Beauty

Detroiters Working for Environmental Justice

Ecology Center EDCO Disposal

Environmental Working Group

Families Advocating for Chemical & Toxins Safety Friends Committee on Legislation of California

Full Circle Environmental Full Spectrum Strategy

Heal the Bay

Inland Ocean Coalition League to Save Lake Tahoe Linkco Inc.

Los Angeles County

Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/integrated Waste Management Task

Force

Marin County Hazardous and Solid Waste Management Joint Powers Authority

Marin Sanitary Service Mariposa Eco Consulting, Inc.

Mendo Recycle

Mendocino Solid Waste Management Authority Merced County Regional Waste Management

Authority
Ming's Recycling
Monterey Bay Aquarium
National Recycling Coalition
National Recycling Partnership
Natural Resources Defense Council
Northern California Recycling Association

Ocean Conservancy

Plastic Oceans International Plastic Pollution Coalition

PreZero Recology Republic Services Rethink Waste

Richard Watson & Associates, Inc.

Robin's Restaurant San Diego County

San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments Santa Barbara Standing Rock Coalition

Save Our Shores

Save the Albatross Coalition SBM Management LLC

Sea Hugger

Seventh Generation Advisors Sierra Club California Silicon Valley Democratic Club Special Waste Associates StopWaste

Story of Stuff

Surfrider Foundation

Teamsters

The Atrium

The Last Beach Cleanup

The Last Plastic Straw

The Nectary

Tri-CED Community Recycling

Turtle Island Restoration Network

Upstream

Waste Management

Wishtoyo Chumash Foundation

Zanker Recycling

Zero Waste Marin

Zero Waste Sonoma

Zero Waste USA

The 5 Gyres Institute

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