HMC Legislation of Interest – Spring, 2023

Bill number	summary	<u>status</u>	notes
AB407	Existing law authorizes the Department of Toxic	Passed	Recent changes to used oil exemptions: AB 2928 (Chen,
Chen	Substances Control to regulate the disposal of	house.	Chapter 440, Statutes of 2018) allowed a specified
	hazardous waste, including used oil, and defines "used	In Senate	universe of used oil, generated by a "highly controlled
	oil" for those purposes. Existing law excludes from	rules for	generator" to not have to manage their used oil as a
	regulation used oil that meets has not been treated by	assignment	hazardous waste. Highly controlled generators are
	the generator of the used oil, the generator claims the		those that have their own fleet of vehicles, which they
	used oil is exempt from regulation by the department,		manage and maintain. However, generators of highly
	and the used oil meets all of specified criteria,		controlled used oil have encountered a hiccup when
	including that the used oil is not subject to regulation		applying for this exemption. Since their oil would meet
	as either hazardous waste or used oil under federal		the definition of being regulated as used oil under
	law.		federal law, they have been unable to use the
	This bill would delete the criterion that the used oil		exemption created in AB 2928. This bill: AB 407 fixes
	not be subject to regulation as used oil under federal		the issue generators of highly controlled used oil have
	law.		encountered to allow for the use of the exemption
	This bill would change that criterion to instead require		created in AB 2928. Specifically, AB 407 deletes a
	the used oil to either not be subject to regulation as		condition that the used oil seeking exemption under
	either hazardous waste or used oil under federal law		current statute cannot be regulated as a used oil under
	or that the used oil not be subject to regulation as a		federal law. However, the used oil would not be
	hazardous waste under federal law and meets certain		exempt from state regulation if it is regulated as a
	testing criteria.		hazardous waste under federal law. This change,
			consistent with the CORE Act and AB 2928, could allow
			for more recycling options for used oil such as re-
			refining the oil back into oil.
AB 777	Language totally replaced by language related to only		
Cervantes	treating HW from Stringfellow at Stringfellow		
AB 1115	Existing law, the Barry Keene Underground Storage	3/29	Need for the bill: According to the author, "AB 1115 will
Papan	Tank Cleanup Trust Fund Act of 1989 (act), requires	Passed	extend the Underground Storage Tank Fund and

	an owner of an underground storage tank, as defined,	Asm EST	continue to help owners and operators of petroleum
	for which a permit is required by law to pay storage	and in	USTs satisfy federal and state financial responsibility
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	fees for each gallon of petroleum placed in the tank.	Approp	requirements. As self-insuring is massive burden on
	The act establishes the Underground Storage Tank		small operators, California is among many other states
	Cleanup Fund (fund), and requires the storage fees,		that provide a UST fund as an option for operators to
	among other moneys, to be deposited into the fund.		meet their FR responsibility. Furthermore, as California
	The act authorizes the State Water Resources Control		transitions to green infrastructure and is burdened with
	Board to expend the moneys in the fund, upon		an increasing amount of orphan tanks, we must ensure
	appropriation by the Legislature, to pay for corrective		the resources are available to address this issue. AB
	action in response to an unauthorized release from		1115 is a commonsense measure that both assists
	an underground storage tank and for the cleanup and		small business owners and supports the state's goals
	oversight of unauthorized releases at abandoned tank		for a cleaner California."
	sites, among other specified purposes. The act		
	requires that certain information be submitted to the		UST Act: The UST Act created the USTCTF to help
	state board, and other specified agencies, under		owners and operators of petroleum USTs satisfy federal
	penalty of perjury. The act provides for the repeal of		and state financial responsibility requirements. A UST is
	certain of its provisions on January 1, 2026, but also		defined by law (HSC § 25299.32) as "any one or
	provides that certain associated rights, obligations,		combination of tanks, including pipes connected
	and authorities that apply before the January 1, 2026,		thereto, that is used for the storage of hazardous
	repeal date do not terminate upon repeal of the		substances and that is substantially or totally beneath
	other provisions of the act.		the surface of the ground" (certain exceptions apply).
			The USTCTF is available to assist petroleum UST AB
	This bill would extend the deadline until 2035.		1115 Page 2 owners and operators with the costs of
			cleaning up contaminated soil and groundwater caused
			by leakage from petroleum USTs.
AB 1238	Hazardous waste: solar panels. This bill would require	3/29	The state's current regulations inhibit wide
Ward	the department to	Passed	spread could be improved to better balance the need
	develop-alternate alternative management standards	Asm EST	for widespread recycling of
	for-recycling managing photovoltaic-modules that	and in	photovoltaic modules. modules and for protecting
	would, to the extent possible, reduce the regulatory	Approp	human health and the environment. Specifically, the
	burden on managing certain resources used for		use of heat, chemicals, and water during the recycling

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	recycling the modules while not compromising worker safety or environmental protection. modules. The bill would specify parameters for the standards, including, but not limited to, that they promote the safe collection, reuse, and recycling of photovoltaic modules. The bill would require the department to hold at least one public workshop to discuss concepts for the standards with stakeholders before submitting an initial statement of reasons to the Office of Administrative Law. Because a violation of regulations adopted by the department under these provisions would be a crime, this bill would impose a statemendated local program.		process are currently exempted from the universal waste regulations, and and, therefore, are required to be compliant with more stringent hazardous waste regulations. The alternative management standards developed would Allow a person, when following the standards, to collect, reuse, or recycle photovoltaic modules without a hazardous waste permit. Meant to work in tandem with AB 2 that requires manufacturers of solar PV modules to develop and implement an end-of-life management plan for solar PV modules.
SB 642 Cortese	Hazmat enforcement - This bill would authorize the county counsel to bring an action seeking to enjoin a violation of laws and regulations governing the generation, transportation, and disposal of hazardous materials. The bill would specify that county counsel, at the request of the department or a unified program agency, is authorized to bring a civil action in the name of the people of the State of California to enforce laws and regulations governing the generation, transportation, and disposal of hazardous materials.	Passed EQ Hearing in Jud 4/11	The bill is co-sponsored by the County of Santa Clara, the Rural County Representatives of California, and the California State Association of Counties. They assert: 1 Health & Saf. Code § 25100 et seq. SB 642 (Cortese) Page 4 of 8 This bill will provide county counsels with complete civil enforcement authority over hazardous waste violations, as originally intended by the Legislature. Health and Safety Code section 25182 provides that "[e]very civil action brought under [the Hazardous Waste Control Act] at the request of the [Department of Toxic Substances Control] or a unified program agency shall be brought by the city attorney, the county attorney, the district attorney, or the Attorney General in the name of the people of the State of California" The legislative history of this provision specifically mentions the intent to authorize county counsels to prosecute hazardous waste

AB 909 Hoover	Solid Waste Disposal and Codisposal Site Cleanup Program - This bill would require would authorize the department, beginning July 1, 2024, and upon appropriation by the Legislature, to initiate a program to collect and properly manage illegally		regulatory laws to help ensure adequate enforcement and eliminate unfair competitive advantages enjoyed by noncompliant businesses. Author's statement: This is an important measure that will aid local governments and private landowners in cleaning up their communities and ensuring that hazardous waste is properly disposed of. Specifically, it will expand CalRecycle's existing Sold Waste Disposal
	disposed hazardous waste and household hazardous waste, as defined, regardless of whether they were codisposed with nonhazardous solid waste. The bill would require the department to annually seek up to \$500,000 from the Department of Toxic Substances Control in reimbursement for grants awarded and program costs incurred. The bill would also prohibit the department from expending funds from the Integrated Waste Management Fund for purposes of this program in excess of the amount reimbursed by the Department of Toxic Substances Control.		Cleanup Program to help fund proper disposal of illegally dumped hazardous waste and household hazardous waste, including batteries, cleaners, electronic wastes, paints, pesticides, used oil, etc. By providing local governments with proper reimbursement of hazardous waste, this measure will further protect public health and safety in the environment.
AB 1716 EST comm	Hazardous wastes and materials programs – This bill would revise the requirements for the exclusion of a recyclable material from classification by the department as a waste by requiring, among other things, that (A) the material be held in a container, tank, containment building, waste pile, or on a drip pad that meets the requirements of the department's interim status regulations applicable to containers, tanks, containment buildings, waste piles, or drip pads that store hazardous waste, (B) a container or tank in which the material is held be labeled, marked,	In EST, hearing on April 18	

and placarded in accordance with the department's hazardous waste labeling, marking, and placarding requirements applicable to generators, as provided, and (C) the required labeling or marking be posted on signage at the location where the material is stored if labeling or marking the container or tank is not practicable.

This bill would specify that a person who violates the uniform unified program laws shall be liable for a civil or administrative penalty of not more than \$5,000 for each day on which the violation continues. The bill would authorize a unified program agency, in addition to suspending or revoking a permit or permit element, to withhold a permit or permit element if a unified program facility fails to pay a permit fee or a fine or penalty in accordance with specified procedures, or fails to comply with an administrative order issued by a unified program agency. The bill would additionally require a unified program facility that does not have a valid permit to immediately discontinue operating that facility or function of the facility to which the permit element applies until the unified program agency issues, reinstates, or reissues the permit.

This bill would authorize, instead of require, a-uniform unified program agency to make a determination as to whether there is a-likelihood, rather than significant likelihood, significant

likelihood that the use of a regulated substance by a stationary source may pose a regulated substances accident risk. The bill would require, if a uniform unified program agency determines that there is a *significant* likelihood of a regulated substances accident risk and reclassifies a covered process to a higher program level, a stationary source to comply with requirements applicable to the higher level program within 12 months of reclassification. The bill would, if the unified program agency determines that there is a significant likelihood of a regulated substances accident risk, authorize the unified program to exempt a stationary source from certain requirements. The bill would authorize a unified program agency to revoke the exemption, as provided, and would require, in that event, a unified program facility to comply with specified requirements. This bill would instead require a stationary source to submit a risk management plan to the unified program agency before the date on which the regulated substance is first present in a process above a listed threshold quantity.

This bill would add to the list of hazardous materials exempt from the business plan requirement oil-filled electrical distribution equipment that is not part of a utility facility and a liquid or gaseous fuel in fuel tanks on vehicles or motorized equipment if the fuel tank is integral to the operation of the vehicle or

SB 740	motorized equipment. The bill would also revise the content requirements for business plans by requiring some of the elements of a business plan to be included on the site map only if they are present on the site. Existing law defines, for purposes of laws related to the underground storage of hazardous substances, an "emergency generator tank system" as an underground storage tank system that provides power supply in the event of a commercial power failure, stores diesel fuel or kerosene, and is used solely in connection with an emergency system, legally required standby system, or optional standby system, as defined. This bill would recast the defined term as "emergency tank system," redefine the term to mean an underground storage tank system that stores diesel fuel or kerosene solely for use by one or more stationary emergency devices, and add to the emergency devices already covered certain fire suppression systems and steam generation pressure tanks.	4/11 – ref	
Cortese	sources: skilled and trained workforce – This bill would extend that workforce requirement (of RMP) to contracts awarded, extended, or renewed on or after January 1, 2024, by an owner or operator of a stationary source that is engaged in manufacturing	to comm on EQ	

	hydrogen, biofuels, lithium batteries, or certain specified chemicals (ammonia, chlorine, hydrogen fluoride, sulfur dioxide, or hydrogen chloride). in mining or beneficiating lithium, or in capturing, sequestering, or using carbon dioxide in specified conditions. Existing law provides for the establishment of apprenticeship programs in various trades, to be approved by the Chief of the Division of Apprenticeship Standards within the Department of Industrial Relations in any trade in the state or in a city or trade area whenever the apprentice training needs justify the establishment. Existing law requires apprentice training needs in the building and construction trades to be deemed to justify a new apprentice program only if one or more specified conditions are met, including, but not limited to, there being sufficient capacity for apprentices in a geographic area. This bill would require an above-described stationary		
	source to be considered when determining whether an existing apprenticeship program has sufficient capacity for apprentices in a geographic area.		
AB 727 Weber	Commencing January 1, 2025, a person or entity shall not manufacture, sell, deliver, distribute, hold, or offer for sale in commerce in this state a cleaning product containing any of the following: (a) Intentionally added PFAS. (b)PFAS in a product or product component at or above any of the following: (1)25 parts per billion of any individual PFAS, not including polymeric PFAS, as measured by targeted PFAS analysis.	4/11 – amended in EST	

(2)250 parts per billion of any of the following: (A)The sum of PFAS, as measured by targeted PFAS analysis. (B)The sum of PFAS, as measured by targeted PFAS analysis, with prior degradation of precursors. (C)The sum of PFAS, as measured by targeted PFAS analysis, after degradation. (3)50 parts per million of all PFAS combined, including polymeric PFAS, as measured in total organic fluorine. (b) PFAS in a product or product component at or above the following thresholds: (1) Commencing January 1, 2025, 50 parts per million. (2) Commencing January 1, 2027, 25 parts per million.	
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