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## SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Anthony Portantino, Chair  
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**AB 1201 (Ting) - Solid waste: products: labeling: compostability and biodegradability**

**Version:** August 18, 2021

**Policy Vote:** E.Q. 5 - 0

**Urgency:** No

**Mandate:** No

**Hearing Date:** August 26, 2021

**Consultant:** Ashley Ames

**Bill Summary:** This bill would expand content and labeling requirements for compostable plastic.

**\*\*\*\*\* ANALYSIS ADDENDUM – SUSPENSE FILE \*\*\*\*\***

**The following information is revised to reflect amendments adopted by the committee on August 26, 2021**

**Fiscal Impact:**

- Ongoing cost pressure of about \$120,000 annually (Integrated Waste Management Account [IWMA]) for the Department of Resource Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to promulgate regulations if necessary.
- To the extent that CalRecycle is responsible for the implementation and enforcement of the provisions of this bill, it would result in additional costs of approximately \$125,000 annually (IWMA).

**Committee Amendments:** These amendments would strike the definition of “product” and specify that a product includes, but is not limited to, a consumer product, as defined, a package or packaging component, and a food or beverage container. These amendments would also prohibit a person from selling or offering for sale a product with the term “compostable” or “home compostable” unless the product does not have a total organic fluorine concentration of greater than 100 parts per million, as specified, and is designed to be associated with the recovery of desirable organic wastes, such as food scraps and yard trimmings, that are collected for composting.

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