SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Anthony Portantino, Chair 2021 - 2022 Regular Session

AB 2440 (Irwin) - Responsible Battery Recycling Act of 2022

Version: June 8, 2022 **Policy Vote:** E.Q. 5 - 2, JUD. 9 - 1

Urgency: No Mandate: Yes

Hearing Date: August 11, 2022 Consultant: Ashley Ames

Bill Summary: This bill would establish a stewardship program for the collection and

recycling of certain batteries and battery-embedded products, as defined.

****** ANALYSIS ADDENDUM - SUSPENSE FILE *******

The following information is revised to reflect amendments adopted by the committee on August 11, 2022

Fiscal Impact:

- Ongoing costs of up to approximately \$2 million annually (Covered Battery Recycling Fund) for the Department of Resources, Recycling, and Recovery (CalRecycle) to establish a new extended producer responsibility program. These costs would be reimbursable from the stewardship organization.
- Unknown ongoing costs for the Department of Toxic Substances Control to consult with CalRecycle, review stewardship plans, and provide inspection and enforcement.

Committee Amendments: These amendments would narrow the scope of the bill to covered batteries only by striking battery embedded-products as well as provisions related and references to battery-embedded products from the bill.