

(Without Reference to File)

SENATE THIRD READING

SB 166 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review)

As Amended June 26, 2026

Majority vote. Budget Bill Appropriations Take Effect Immediately

SUMMARY

This bill is the June Public Resources Omnibus trailer bill that includes statutory provisions to implement the Budget Act of 2026.

Major Provisions

- 1) *SB 345 Cleanup*. Provides technical clarification and clean-up language to SB 345 (Hurtado) Chapter 312, Statutes of 2025: California Fire Service Training and Education Program: California Fire and Arson Training Act: fees.
- 2) *Generation and Handling Fee Cleanup*. Provides technical changes related to the Generation and Handling Fee, which among other things, include the following:
 - a) Authorizes the Department of Toxic Substances Control and the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration tax to continue to administer and collect the fee if it was due and payable on or before September 30, 2022, rather than on or before June 30, 2022.
 - b) Makes various changes to the Hazardous Substances Tax Law.
 - c) Changes the standard of proof for imposing a penalty from "willfully or knowingly" (intentional and conscious act) to "preponderance of the evidence" (more likely than not) of a feepayer who provides incorrect information or withholds information that results in a deficient payment or nonpayment
- 3) *Plastic Market Development Payment Program*. Extends the Plastic Market Development Payment Program from July 1, 2027, to July 1, 2029, and increases the maximum payment rate per ton from \$150 to \$250.

COMMENTS**According to the Author**

This bill is the June Public Resources Omnibus trailer bill that includes statutory provisions necessary to implement the Budget Act of 2026.

Arguments in Support

None on file.

Arguments in Opposition

None on file.

FISCAL COMMENTS

This bill appropriates up to \$35 million in 2026-27, \$30 million in 2027-28, and \$25 million in 2028-29 from the Beverage Container Recycling Fund (BCRF) for the implementation of the Plastic Market Development Payment Program.

VOTES**SENATE FLOOR: 28-10-2**

YES: Allen, Archuleta, Arreguín, Ashby, Becker, Blakespear, Cabaldon, Caballero, Cervantes, Cortese, Durazo, Gonzalez, Grayson, Hurtado, Laird, Limón, McGuire, McNerney, Menjivar, Padilla, Pérez, Richardson, Rubio, Smallwood-Cuevas, Umberg, Wahab, Weber Pierson, Wiener

NO: Alvarado-Gil, Choi, Dahle, Grove, Jones, Niello, Ochoa Bogh, Seyarto, Strickland, Valladares

ABS, ABST OR NV: Reyes, Stern

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