

January 15, 2020

The Honorable Bob Wieckowski  
California State Senate  
Sacramento, CA. 95814

**RE: SB 372 (Wieckowski) - Beverage Container Recycling Act of 2020- SUPPORT CONCEPT**

Dear Senator Wieckowski:

On behalf of the California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC), and the hundreds of local government and private sector sponsors, we thank you for authoring SB 372, the Beverage Container Recycling Act of 2020. We support SB 372 in concept and thank you for your leadership. We would also like to congratulate you on moving SB 372 out of the Senate Environmental Quality Committee this morning.

CPSC's mission is to shift California's product waste management system from one focused on government-funded and ratepayer financing to one that relies on producer responsibility in order to reduce public costs and drive improvements in product design. CPSC works hard to ensure Product Stewardship and Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) programs run well, in California, to serve as a model for other states and counties. We also strongly promote source reduction and following the waste hierarchy.

The current bill does have many of the EPR features, which we strongly support, and we look forward to working with your office on future amendments to address some of our concerns and those voiced by other stakeholders.

Sincerely,



Doug Kobold, Executive Director  
California Product Stewardship Council