August 26, 2020

RE: SB 54 (Allen) / AB 1080 (Gonzalez) – The California Circular Economy and Plastic Pollution Reduction Act – SUPPORT

Dear Senator Allen and Assemblymember Gonzalez,

After the most recent amendments that have been made to SB 54 and AB 1080, on August 25, 2020, I am pleased to inform you that the California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC) is in SUPPORT of these measures. CPSC appreciates the hard work your offices have put into strengthening these measures.

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.

SB 54 and AB 1080 establishes a comprehensive framework to address the pollution and waste crisis and set a statewide goal of ensuring that manufacturers reduce the waste generated by single-use plastic packaging and food ware products by 75% by 2032 through source reduction, recycling, and composting.

For the reasons listed above and more, we are pleased to SUPPORT SB 54 and AB 1080. Thank you for authoring these important measures.

Sincerely,

Respectfully,

Doug Kobold, Executive Director
California Product Stewardship Council