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Assemblymember Bill Quirk
California State Assembly, District 20
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SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR AB-246 (Quirk) – Contractors: Disciplinary Action

Dear Assemblymember Quirk:

Thank you for introducing Assembly Bill-246 (Quirk), Contractors: Disciplinary Action. The California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC) and undersigned organizations support this bill as a necessary measure to effectively limit illegal dumping by classifying deliberate disregard for anti-dumping laws as cause for disciplinary action against contractors engaging in illegal dumping activities.

Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of contractors by the Contractors’ State License Board. Under existing law, a willful or deliberate disregard by a licensed contractor of various state building, labor, and safety laws constitutes a cause for disciplinary action by the board. This bill would reorganize these provisions and would add illegal dumping to the list of violations that constitute a cause for disciplinary action against a contractor by the board.

Although changes to existing law are minimal, we believe that the changes proposed by Assembly Bill-246 are substantive and would prove to be the deterrent needed to stem the tide of illegal dumping by contractors.

For these reasons, we strongly support AB-246. Thank you for authoring this important measure.

Signed,

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