



2025 State Legislative Update: Environmental and Energy Law Section

We've come to the end of the 2025 Legislative Session, with several actions taken by the Legislature that may be of interest to your section. Please reach out to the GR team with any questions about any particular legislation of interest that you don't see on the following list. Any memoranda and letters drafted by the section in support or opposition to legislation were shared by the Government Relations team, and the team looks forward to working with the section as we move into the second half of 2025.

Legislation of Interest

Passed by the Legislature:

- A1179(Glick)/S1069(Serrano): Prohibits the lease of state forests, reforestation areas, wildlife management areas and unique areas for the purpose of gas and oil production. This bill will go to the Governor for signature or veto before the end of the year.
- A4914(Bronson)/S5379(Harckham): Relates to prevailing wage requirements applicable to brownfield remediation work performed under private contract. This bill will go to the Governor for signature or veto before the end of the year.
- A5714(Lee)/S4263(Kavanagh): Relates to the availability of technical assistance grants in brownfield site remedial programs. This bill will go to the Governor for signature or veto before the end of the year.
- A8018(Lunsford)/S7769-A(Baskin): Relates to the management of oysters. This bill will go to the Governor for signature or veto before the end of the year.

Not Passed:

- A933(Glick)/S6538(Sanders): Relates to the development of uniform standards for the coloring of wind turbine rotor blades. This bill did not show movement in either house. The Committee on Animals and the Law supported this bill [with a memo](#).
- A276(Barrett)/S2086(Kavanagh): Increases the statewide energy storage capacity. This bill showed some movement in the Senate, but did not pass either house.
- A1749(Glick)/S1464(Harckham): Enacts the "packaging reduction and recycling infrastructure act". This bill passed the Senate and was ordered to third-reading in the Assembly but did not pass.
- A2417(Gallagher)/S4513(Ramos): Requires applicants for major projects located near an environmental justice community to submit an enhanced public participation plan. This bill passed the Senate, but did not show any movement in the Assembly.

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- A2486-A(Carroll R)/S3828-A(Hoylman-Sigal): Enacts the "emission tampering act". This bill passed the Senate and showed some movement in the Assembly, but did not pass.
- A2596(Barrett)/S2085(Kavanagh): Establishes new targets for offshore wind electricity generation. This bill did not move in either house this session.
- A3091-A(Kelles)/S672-A(Hinchey): Relates to environmental restoration projects; repealer. This bill showed some movement in both houses this session, but did not pass.
- A3682-A(Peoples-Stokes)/S122-A(Cleare): Establishes environmental standards for ambient lead and lead contamination. This bill passed the Senate and showed some movement in the Assembly, but did not pass.
- A3915(Rivera)/S858(Ryan S): Extends the duration of certain brownfield redevelopment and remediation tax credits for certain sites. This bill did not move in either house.
- A5832-B(Kelles)/S4574-B(May): Enacts the "PFAS discharge disclosure act". This bill passed the Senate and was ordered to third reading in the Assembly, but did not pass.
- A6416(Septimo)/S4030(Fernandez): Relates to emissions of toxic air contaminants. This bill passed the Senate and showed some movement in the Assembly, but did not pass.
- S6889(Gallivan): Relates to the brownfields cleanup program to include state-owned properties. This bill was not introduced in the Assembly and did not show any movement in the Senate.

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