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The Honorable Andrea Stewart-Cousins
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Dear Senator Stewart-Cousins:

I am pleased to transmit the Annual Report of the Senate's Standing Committee on Environmental Conservation for the 2025 Legislative Session. As Chair, I am proud to continue to lead our efforts to address important matters under my committee's jurisdiction.

During the 2025 Session, this Committee met nine times in Session and reported 110 bills. The Committee also held two roundtables and one public hearing this past year.

In my role as Chair, I convened roundtables in September and October that brought together environmental experts, advocates, and government leaders to discuss their priorities for the upcoming Legislative Session and strategies for achieving the goals of the CLCPA. In May, I joined Senator May for a public hearing on Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs), which convened State agencies, local governments, agricultural groups, advocates and more. This hearing informed a State report on impacts to public health and water resources and documented legislative and budgetary suggestions of attendees.

In addition to the events I hosted, I also traveled to New York City and throughout the Adirondacks to meet with stakeholders and local environmental leaders to gain perspective on the distinct challenges facing New York's diverse urban and natural landscapes.

I thank my colleagues who served on the Committee for their efforts and support of the work that was done in the Committee this year, and I thank you for the continued support from the Majority Conference in the Committee's operations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Pete B. Harckham'.

Pete Harckham
New York State Senator, 40th Senate District

2025 LEGISLATIVE SESSION REPORT

NEW YORK STATE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

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COMMITTEE JURISDICTION AND OVERVIEW

The New York State Senate Standing Committee on Environmental Conservation has legislative oversight responsibilities for issues concerning the environment and environmental conservation law.

During the 2025 Legislative Session, 287 bills were referred to the Committee for its review. Of these bills, 110 were reported from the Committee, 80 were passed by the Senate, and 32 passed in both houses. This work was conducted through a series of committee meetings. A list of all bills that were reported from the Committee is provided at the end of this report.

COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHTS

The following key bills were acted on by the Committee in 2025:

- S420 (Liu): Reported from Committee. This bill provides that it is deceptive to misrepresent that a product or package is recyclable unless it meets certain criteria, such as use in manufacturing or assembling another item, or reuse.
- S1069 (Serrano): Chapter 52 of 2025. Governor. This bill prohibits the lease of state forests, reforestation areas, wildlife management areas and unique areas for the purpose of gas and oil production.
- S1464 (Harckham): Passed Senate. This bill enacts the “packaging reduction and recycling infrastructure act”, which requires companies selling, offering for sale, or distributing packaging materials and products to register with a packaging reduction organization and develop a packaging reduction and recycling plan.
- S2057A (Webb): Passed Senate. This bill enacts the “beauty justice act”, which prohibits the sale of personal care products and cosmetic products containing certain restricted products
- S7718 (Harckham): Passed Senate. This bill requires owners of certain large vessels to establish whale strike prevention policies.
- S1833A (May): Passed Senate. This bill enacts the “harmful algal bloom monitoring and prevention act” and establishes the harmful algal bloom monitoring and prevention fund.
- S3456 (Hoylman-Sigal): Reported from Committee. This bill establishes the climate corporate data accountability act, requiring certain business entities within the state to annually disclose scope 1, scope 2 and scope 3 emissions, and establishes the climate accountability and emissions disclosure fund.
- S3852A (Hinchey): Passed Senate. This bill prohibits the sale of playground surfacing materials that contain PFAS, PAHs or more than ninety parts per million of lead.
- S5759C (Harckham): Passed Senate. This bill establishes a five year moratorium on the sale and use of biosolids.
- S5440A (Liu): Committed to Rules. This bill prohibits an airport operator or aviation retail establishment from selling, distributing, or otherwise making available leaded aviation gasoline to consumers on or after January first, two thousand thirty-one.
- S5014 (Sepúlveda): Passed Senate. This bill establishes the “Big Five African Trophies Act” which would ban the importation, transportation and possession of certain African wildlife species and products.
- S4289 (Hoylman-Sigal): Chapter 653 of 2025. This bill extends DEC’s authority to regulate management of crabs, and prohibits the taking of horseshoe crabs for commercial and biomedical purposes
- S4263 (Kavanagh): Veto Memo 113 of 2025. This bill relates to the availability of technical assistance grants in brownfield site remedial programs, and provides that the commissioner of environmental conservation shall provide grants to the New York city community board with jurisdiction over the site or to any not-for-profit corporation at any site which may be affected by a brownfield site remedial program.
- S3629A (Fernandez): Passed Senate. This bill prohibits the department of environmental conservation from issuing permits or licenses allowing participation of certain animals in traveling animal acts.
- S1850A (Hinchey): Reported from Committee. This bill establishes the safe water and infrastructure action program for the purpose of making payments toward the replacement and rehabilitation of certain existing local drinking water, storm water and sanitary sewer systems.

PUBLIC HEARINGS, ROUNDTABLES & NOMINATIONS

The Committee held a public hearing on May 21, 2025, to discuss the issue of harmful algal blooms. This hearing brought together State agencies, local governments, agricultural organizations, researchers, advocacy organizations, and more in order to discuss barriers to harmful algal bloom management, as well as propose potential solutions going forward.

The Committee also convened two joint roundtables with the Senate Standing Committees on Finance and on Energy and Telecommunications to examine the legislative, budgetary, and executive actions needed to meet New York State's Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) targets. The first roundtable, held on September 26, 2025, featured panelists from environmental nonprofits, advocacy groups, and related organizations, and it focused on pathways to deploy clean energy and emissions-reduction strategies that are efficient, equitable, and affordable for New Yorkers. The second roundtable, convened on October 15, 2025, brought together representatives from State agencies and municipalities to examine the feasibility of decarbonization strategies across the industry and at the local and State government levels. This dialogue provided the Committee with diverse viewpoints and expressions of both support and concern, which provide valuable insights to guide effective policy development.

TWO HOUSE BILLS

Bill	Sponsor	Summary	Significant Act
S00073A	Kavanagh	Relates to rechargeable battery recycling; adds a battery used as the principal electric power source for an electric scooter or bicycle with electric assist to the definition of "rechargeable battery"; provides that a battery manufacturer may not sell, offer for sale, or distribute rechargeable batteries in the state unless the battery manufacturer is implementing or participating under an approved plan; allows a city with a population of one million or more to enforce through its own agencies.	Chaptered 712
S00279	Skoufis	Adds Moodna Creek in Orange County to the definition of inland waterways for waterfront revitalization.	Chaptered 591
S00982	Rolison	Adds Fishkill Creek in Dutchess County to the definition of inland waterways.	Chaptered 594
S01069	Serrano	Prohibits the lease of state forests, reforestation areas, wildlife management areas and unique areas for the purpose of gas and oil production.	Chaptered 671
S01126	Persaud	Directs the department of environmental conservation to conduct a study of ecological restoration needs of Jamaica Bay; imposes a five-year moratorium on placing sediment or fill in the borrow pits in Jamaica Bay.	Vetoed Memorandum 79
S01211A	May	Enacts the "New York open water data act"; directs certain agencies, under the leadership of conveners, to identify and integrate key water data sets; provides duties and an annual plan for data to be researched and reported.	Substituted By A5254A - Vetoed Memorandum 68
S01704	Harckham	Expands the options for shell color and roof color of petroleum bulk storage tanks to either white or beige/cream or which limits volatile emissions to the same or to a greater extent as a shell color and roof color of white or beige/cream as determined by the department of environmental conservation.	Chaptered 499
S02097A	Kavanagh	Limits liability of producers, representative organizations and retailers for antitrust, restraint of trade, or unfair trade practices arising from the performance of an action required to be undertaken under certain law or a producer plan.	Chaptered 206

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S02706B	Hoylman-Sigal	Prohibits the use of drilling fluids, brine and flowback water from gas or oil wells, pools, or fields on any highway for any purpose including but not limited to de-icing or dust suppression.	Substituted By A4725B - Vetoed Memorandum 66
S05616	Lanza	Extends, until December 31, 2026, the authorization of residential property owners in high risk brush fire areas on Staten Island to cut and remove reeds.	Substituted By A6195 - Chaptered 216
S05983A	Harckham	Prohibits the application of pesticides to certain local freshwater wetlands for local governments that have implemented a freshwater wetlands protection law; provides that any local law or ordinance adopted pursuant to this section shall take effect on the first day of January after it shall have been adopted.	Vetoed Memorandum 92
S06360A	Harckham	Clarifies provisions regarding the use of crossbows for hunting, allowing the department of environmental conservation to allow the use of crossbows for the taking of big game in any area long bows are permitted.	Chaptered 358
S07767	May	Extends provisions of law relating to the authority of the department of environmental conservation to fix by regulation open seasons, size and catch limits and manner of taking fish from December 31, 2025 until December 31, 2028. Department of Environmental Conservation	Substituted By A8428 - Chaptered 198
S07768	Ryan C	Extends the authority of the department of environmental conservation from December 31, 2025 until December 31, 2028 to adopt by regulation measures for the management of hard clams, soft or steamer clams or razor clams. Department of Environmental Conservation	Substituted By A8280 - Chaptered 196
S07769A	Baskin	Extends the authority of the department of environmental conservation to manage oysters from December 31, 2025 to December 31, 2027.	Substituted By A8018 - Chaptered 193
S07770	May	Extends the authority of the department of environmental conservation to manage alewife. Department of Environmental Conservation	Substituted By A8658 - Chaptered 205
S07771	Hinchey	Extends the authority of the department of environmental conservation to manage American shad until 12/31/2028. Department of Environmental Conservation	Substituted By A8487 - Chaptered 202
S07772	Hinchey	Extends the authority of the department of environmental conservation to manage weakfish until 12/31/2028. Department of Environmental Conservation	Substituted By A8278 - Chaptered 195

Bill	Sponsor	Summary	Significant Act
S07773	Fahy	Extends the authority of the department of environmental conservation to manage bluefish from 2025 to 2028. Department of Environmental Conservation	Substituted By A8486 - Chaptered 201
S07774	Fahy	Extends the authority of the department of environmental conservation to manage hickory shad. Department of Environmental Conservation	Substituted By A8656 - Chaptered 204

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE ACTIVITY

Bill No.	Sponsor	Summary	Significant Action
S00073A	Kavanagh	Relates to rechargeable battery recycling; adds a battery used as the principal electric power source for an electric scooter or bicycle with electric assist to the definition of "rechargeable battery"; provides that a battery manufacturer may not sell, offer for sale, or distribute rechargeable batteries in the state unless the battery manufacturer is implementing or participating under an approved plan; allows a city with a population of one million or more to enforce through its own agencies.	Chaptered 712
S00122A	Cleare	Establishes environmental standards for ambient lead and lead contamination in soils and on floors and window sills.	Passed the Senate
S00252	Martinez	Provides that "wild animal" means indigenous, non-domesticated animals native to the country in which they live and "exotic animal" means a wild animal with an origin of a different continent; adds certain wild or exotic animals to the list of non-companion animals; provides certain owners of wild or exotic animals with a license process.	Passed the Senate
S00270	Harcckham	Provides an exemption from requirements for the alienation of parkland for renewable energy generating projects with a generating capacity not exceeding two megawatts and which are located above real property currently used for vehicle parking.	Passed the Senate
S00279	Skoufis	Adds Moodna Creek in Orange County to the definition of inland waterways for waterfront revitalization.	Chaptered 591
S00659	Gianaris	Relates to the general civil penalty of the environmental conservation law; provides that in addition to the fines, such person may be enjoined from continuing such violation and any permit or certificate issued to such person may be revoked or suspended, or a pending renewal application may be denied.	Passed the Senate
S00672A	Hinchey	Relates to the completion and funding of environmental restoration projects.	Reported to Senate Finance

Bill No.	Sponsor	Summary	Significant Action
S00678A	Martinez	Provides that where the total number of commercial food fish license, commercial crab permits, commercial whelk and conch licenses, and marine and coastal district party and charter boat license applications from persons who were not issued such license in the previous year exceeds the number of licenses that are available, the department of environmental conservation shall randomly select recipients of the available licenses from among those applications received by the first business day of the applicable license year; provides for a temporary authorization where in the event of a temporary emergency, a licensee or permittee may provide written authorization for a person to temporarily undertake any licensed activities on the licensee's or permittee's behalf; makes related provisions.	Passed the Senate
S00982	Rolison	Adds Fishkill Creek in Dutchess County to the definition of inland waterways.	Chaptered 594
S01059A	Serrano	Prohibits the aerial and ground application of malathion and certain pyrethroid-based insecticides within one hundred feet of any school, day care center or park.	Senate Rules
S01069	Serrano	Prohibits the lease of state forests, reforestation areas, wildlife management areas and unique areas for the purpose of gas and oil production.	Chaptered 671
S01126	Persaud	Directs the department of environmental conservation to conduct a study of ecological restoration needs of Jamaica Bay; imposes a five-year moratorium on placing sediment or fill in the borrow pits in Jamaica Bay.	Vetoed Memorandum 79
S01180B	Gianaris	Establishes an indirect source review for heavy distribution warehouse operations; requires the department of environmental conservation to conduct a study regarding zero-emissions zones.	Passed the Senate
S01187	Addabbo	Authorizes certain local municipal agencies to use surveillance cameras to combat illegal dumping.	Passed the Senate
S01211A	May	Enacts the "New York open water data act"; directs certain agencies, under the leadership of conveners, to identify and integrate key water data sets; provides duties and an annual plan for data to be researched and reported.	Substituted By A5254A - Vetoed Memorandum 68
S01343A	Parker	Establishes the clean fuel standard of 2025; provides such standard is intended to reduce greenhouse gas intensity from the on-road transportation sector, with further reductions to be implemented based upon advances in technology.	Passed the Senate

Bill No.	Sponsor	Summary	Significant Action
S01463	Kavanagh	Enacts a mattress collection program; requires mattress producers to establish a plan for the convenient and cost-effective recycling of used mattresses.	Passed the Senate
S01464	Harckham	Enacts the “packaging reduction and recycling infrastructure act” to require companies selling, offering for sale, or distributing packaging materials and products to register with a packaging reduction organization to develop a packaging reduction and recycling plan.	On Calendar 1216 Opposite House
S01609	Harckham	Requires the department of environmental conservation, after consultation with the environmental facilities corporation and the department of state, to submit an annual agency stormwater expenditure report containing a comprehensive estimate and summary of funds needed and funds spent on stormwater projects under the department of environmental conservation, the environmental facilities corporation, the department of state and other applicable agencies or state authorities.	Passed the Senate
S01610	Harckham	Requires for construction activities that require a state pollutant discharge elimination system permit owners and operators to submit a copy of the required public notice; requires each county receiving such notice to make such notice publicly available on its website.	Passed the Senate
S01704	Harckham	Expands the options for shell color and roof color of petroleum bulk storage tanks to either white or beige/cream or which limits volatile emissions to the same or to a greater extent as a shell color and roof color of white or beige/cream as determined by the department of environmental conservation.	Chaptered 499
S01723	Harckham	Adds Doodletown Brook to the definition of inland waterways eligible for the local waterfront revitalization program.	Passed the Senate
S01733	Harckham	Creates a program to assist municipalities with water quality improvement of water bodies within the municipality managed by lake associations.	Passed the Senate
S01833A	May	Enacts the “harmful algal bloom monitoring and prevention act”; establishes the harmful algal bloom monitoring and prevention fund.	Passed the Senate

Bill No.	Sponsor	Summary	Significant Action
S01850A	Hinchey	Establishes the safe water and infrastructure action program for the purpose of making payments toward the replacement and rehabilitation of certain existing local drinking water, storm water and sanitary sewer systems; applies to any county, city, town, village or public authority drinking water system, storm water system or sanitary sewer system within the state that is not under the maintenance and/or operational jurisdiction of a private entity.	Reported to Senate Finance
S01919	Skoufis	Eliminates sporting license fees for honorably discharged, disabled veterans.	Passed the Senate
S01984	Harckham	Directs the commissioner to publicly publish an annual report on the environmental radiation surveillance program and analyze such report showing trends and cumulative impact, as well as notify other relevant agencies if contamination has exceeded EPA standards for maximum amounts of contamination allowed in drinking water or food.	Passed the Senate
S02053A	Webb	Relates to permits and financial security for reclamation for salt mining beneath a lake; requires such permits to be subject to environmental quality review procedures; requires financial security to cover any damages directly or indirectly resulting from salt mining activities beneath a lake, including, but not limited to, those resulting from collapse or water contamination.	Senate Rules
S02057A	Webb	Enacts the "beauty justice act"; provides for the regulation of ingredients in personal care products and cosmetics; prohibits the sale of personal care products and cosmetic products containing certain restricted products.	Passed the Senate
S02097A	Kavanagh	Limits liability of producers, representative organizations and retailers for antitrust, restraint of trade, or unfair trade practices arising from the performance of an action required to be undertaken under certain law or a producer plan.	Chaptered 206
S02099	Ortt	Removes the prohibition on firearm silencers.	Senate Environmental Conservation
S02646	Stec	Adds Falls Brook, Jones Brook, Kelso Brook, Minerva Stream, and Trout Brook to the definition of inland waterways for the purposes of waterfront revitalization.	Passed the Senate

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S02706B	Hoylman-Sigal	Prohibits the use of drilling fluids, brine and flowback water from gas or oil wells, pools, or fields on any highway for any purpose including but not limited to de-icing or dust suppression.	Substituted By A4725B - Vetoed Memorandum 66
S02712	Stec	Directs the public service commission to conduct a full cost benefit analysis of the technical and economic feasibility of renewable energy systems in the state of New York and to compare such directly with other methods of electricity generation; makes certain changes relating to greenhouse gas emissions limits.	Senate Environmental Conservation
S03179	Sanders	Relates to the definition of coal tar and its use in pavement products.	On Calendar 396 Opposite House
S03456	Hoylman-Sigal	Establishes the climate corporate data accountability act requiring certain business entities within the state to annually disclose scope 1, scope 2 and scope 3 emissions; establishes the climate accountability and emissions disclosure fund.	Reported to Senate Finance
S03629A	Fernandez	Prohibits the participation of certain animals in traveling animal acts; prohibits the department of environmental conservation from issuing permits or licenses allowing participation of certain animals in traveling animal acts; excludes certain permanent performing institutions; imposes a civil penalty not to exceed \$1000 for a violation.	Passed the Senate
S03697A	Sanders	Requires reporting of climate-related financial risk by certain entities; defines climate-related financial risk to mean material harm to financial outcomes of the entity due to physical and transition risks.	Reported to Senate Finance
S03828A	Hoylman-Sigal	Prohibits the disabling, removal or interference with emission control devices and the use of emission tampering devices; provides remedies for the violation of such provisions.	Passed the Senate
S03852A	Hinchey	Prohibits the sale of playground surfacing materials that contain PFAS, PAHs or more than ninety parts per million of lead on and after January 1, 2027; requires manufacturers of playground surfacing materials that contain PFAS, PAHs or more than ninety parts per million of lead to provide notice of such fact to distributors and retailers of such materials; provides penalties for violations.	Passed the Senate

Bill No.	Sponsor	Summary	Significant Action
S03972	Harckham	Directs the department of environmental conservation to establish a perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances removal treatment installation grant program, providing a one-time grant to private well users for the installation of PFAS treatment or service connection to a public water system; directs the department of environmental conservation to establish a perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances removal treatment maintenance rebate program, providing a rebate to private well users for the maintenance of PFAS treatment equipment.	Reported to Senate Finance
S04030	Fernandez	Directs the department of environmental conservation to promulgate air quality standards for emissions of certain toxic air contaminants.	Passed the Senate
S04033B	Harckham	Provides for the disposition of certain fines and penalties; directs such fines to a conservation enforcement account in the state conservation fund.	Passed the Senate
S04046	Harckham	Prohibits fuel oil, grade number four in any building or facility in the state after July 1, 2030.	Passed the Senate
S04369	Comrie	Provides a permit for a memorial lands facility.	Passed the Senate
S04441	Stec	Exempts veterans and those on active duty from paying certain fees for travel on the New York world war veterans memorial highway in Essex county or Prospect mountain veteran's memorial highway in Warren county.	Reported to Senate Finance
S04513	Ramos	Requires applicants for major projects located near a disadvantaged community to submit an enhanced public participation plan.	Passed the Senate
S04574B	May	Enacts the "PFAS discharge disclosure act"; requires certain SPDES permit holders to conduct PFAS monitoring and disclose the results from such monitoring.	On Calendar 622 Opposite House
S04995	Harckham	Directs DEC to designate a representative for each environmental conservation region of the state to serve as the point of contact for municipalities to aid in the acquisition of resources and funding for water projects.	Passed the Senate
S05014	Sepúlveda	Enacts the "Big Five African Trophies Act" relating to banning the importation, transportation and possession of certain African wildlife species and products. Criminal Sanction Impact.	Passed the Senate
S05363	Comrie	Prohibits the sale of cleaning products containing triclosan, triclocarban or derivatives of such antibacterial compounds.	Senate Rules

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S05440A	Liu	Prohibits an airport operator or aviation retail establishment from selling, distributing, or otherwise making available leaded aviation gasoline to consumers on or after January first, two thousand thirty-one.	Senate Rules
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S05759C	Harckham	Establishes a moratorium on the sale and use of biosolids; defines terms.	On Calendar 1818 Opposite House
S05835	Skoufis	Waives fishing, hunting and trapping license fees for certain first responders.	Passed the Senate
S05936A	Harckham	Establishes the nutrient inactivant application permit to allow for the use of products used for controlling phosphorus levels in lakes or ponds to prevent and inhibit harmful algal blooms.	Reported to Senate Finance
S05982	Harckham	Authorizes the department of environmental conservation to independently add to the lists of prohibited and regulated invasive species on an emergency basis pending review by the department of agriculture and markets in consultation with the New York invasive species council.	Passed the Senate
S05983A	Harckham	Prohibits the application of pesticides to certain local freshwater wetlands for local governments that have implemented a freshwater wetlands protection law; provides that any local law or ordinance adopted pursuant to this section shall take effect on the first day of January after it shall have been adopted.	Vetoed Memorandum 92
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S06393	Harckham	Expands the public education and outreach program required to be developed by manufacturers of electronics and electronic waste collection sites.	Senate Rules
S06765	Harckham	Relates to the proper collection and disposal of mercury thermostats; establishes a fund for the stewardship of mercury thermostats; extends the effectiveness of the mercury thermostat collection act.	Reported to Senate Finance
S06831	Hinchey	Requires the owner or operator of a vessel to establish and maintain with the department evidence of financial responsibility sufficient to meet the amount of liability.	Passed the Senate

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S07718	Harckham	Requires owners of certain large vessels to establish whale strike prevention policies; establishes penalties for failure to establish such policies.	Passed the Senate
S07767	May	Extends provisions of law relating to the authority of the department of environmental conservation to fix by regulation open seasons, size and catch limits and manner of taking fish from December 31, 2025 until December 31, 2028. Department of Environmental Conservation	Substituted By A8428 - Chaptered 198
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