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# RESPONSIBLE TEXTILE RECOVERY ACT OF 2024



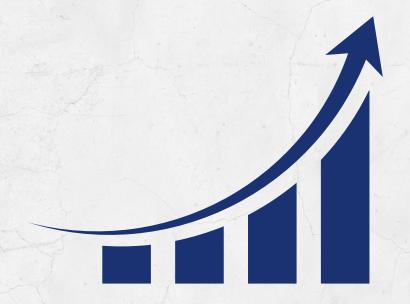
# The Problem



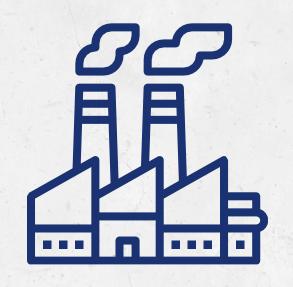
Fill the Mall of America every 6 days



30% of clothes never get sold



Fastest growing component of our waste stream



10 % of global climate pollution

\$70m

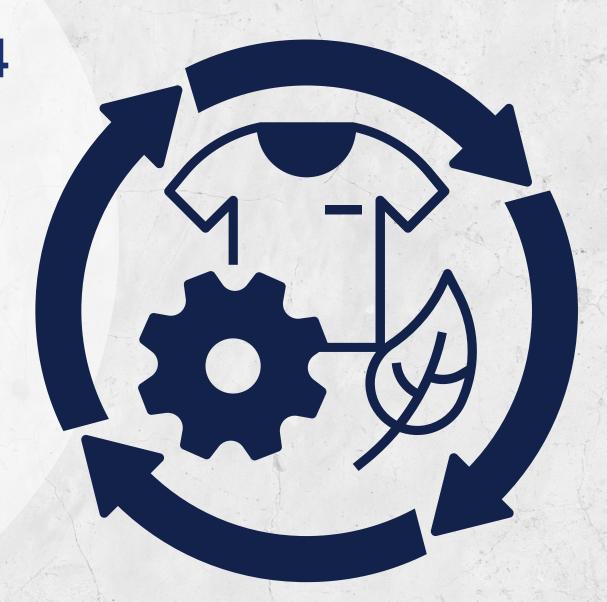
Textile Waste cost to CA taxpayers in 2021

\*Data from PIRG, September 2023 CalRecycle Waste Characterization Study, WSJ "Fashion Faces Recycling Fees Similar to Other

### Policy Solution

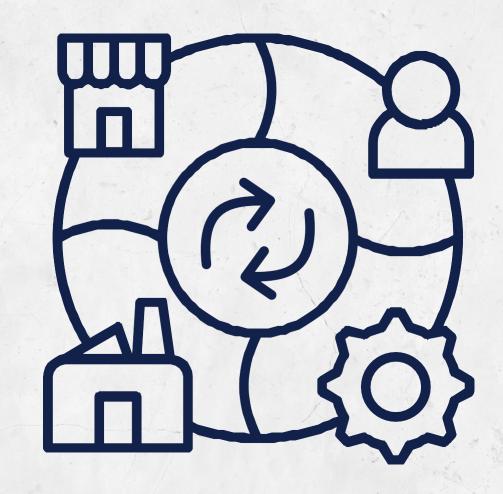
SB 707: Responsible Textile Recovery Act of 2024

SB 707 would require producers of household clothing and textile articles, to establish a Producer Responsibility Organization for the collection, reuse, repair, and recycling of a covered product, which includes any household apparel, textile, or textile article that is no longer wanted by a consumer.



#### Framework

The Extended Producer Responsibility framework, as established by SB 707, aims to develop previously untapped or underutilized upcycled and recycled clothing and fiber markets, as well as to support the ongoing effort to encourage and incentivize the repair and reuse of clothing and other textiles in California.



01 Collection

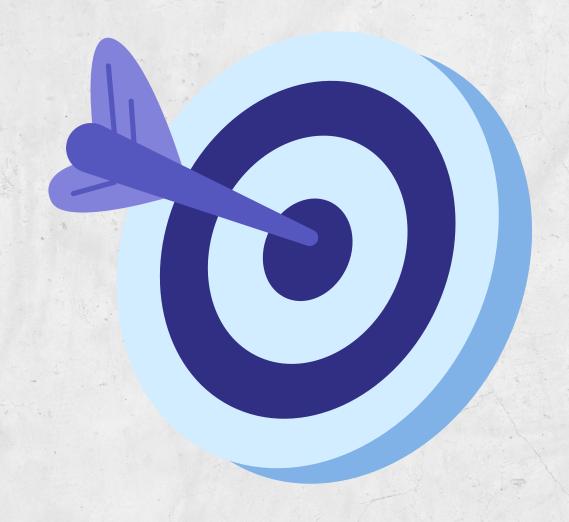
SB 707 supports textile collection through various pathways, such as, storefronts, curbside pickup, mail back, and kiosks.

02 Recycling

SB 707 supports a sorting and recycling system for used textiles that cannot be reused or sold.

03 Repair

SB 707 supports the development of and incentivizes a framework that would encourage the repair of textiles.





Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) programs have a proven track record of supporting a circular economy.



#### Pharmaceutical and Sharps Waste

Effective 2021, this EPR program provides safe and convenient disposal options for sharps waste at <u>no cost</u> to the consumer.



#### **Plastic Packaging**

Established in 2022, this EPR program will ensure that single-use packaging and food service ware products are either recyclable or compostable.



#### **Batteries**

Established by legislation in 2022, this EPR program will support the collection and recycling of covered batteries.

## Timeline

2024

Pass Legislation CalRecycle
Workshops and
Regulations

Producer
Responsibility
Organization (PRO)
selected would
conduct a Needs
Assessment

2025-26

2027-29

PRO Plan writing, review, and approval

PRO Program Implementation

2030

California Product Stewardship Council's Coalition of Supporters for SB 707

#### Support from the following:

- NGO's and Environmental Groups
- Tribal and Local Groups
- Waste Haulers, Sorters, and Recyclers
- Brands, Retailers, and Industry Groups



### Get Connected!



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