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The Honorable Tom Torlakson
Chair, Senate Appropriations Committee
State Capitol Building, Room 2206
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SB 1321 (Correa) - School Recycling Programs- Support if Amended

Dear Chair Torlakson,

The Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) is composed of approximately 7000 public and private sector solid waste management professionals throughout North America dedicated to the development and enhancement of environmentally and economically sound practices and policies for the integrated management of municipal solid waste. There are approximately 900 members of SWANA in California, and on their behalf I am writing to support if amended your SB 1321, regarding school recycling programs.

SB 1321 would require each school district that maintains a secondary school to acquire and maintain a sufficient number of beverage container recycling bins on each campus and public office in that school district. The school district would be authorized to choose whether to operate its own beverage container recycling program, contact their Local Community Conservation Corps, or another recycler to collect the school district's recyclables.

SWANA is very supportive of including school districts in the recycling process however; we would like to see local governments included in the bill as entities eligible to collect the recyclables.

For these reasons, the California Chapters of SWANA support SB 1321 if amended.

Sincerely,

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Legislative Advocate

cc: The Honorable Lou Correa
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