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\*\*\* SENATE FLOOR ALERT \*\*\*  
**SB 567 (DESAULNIER)**  
**SUPPORT**

DATE: May 10, 2011

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE SENATE

FROM: Tressa Wallace, Legislative Advocate, **SWANA**

RE: **SB 567 (DeSaulnier) Recycling: plastic products**

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The Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA), the largest association of solid waste professionals (7,700 members), is committed to advancing the practices of environmentally and economically sound management of municipal solid waste. On behalf of their California Chapters, I am urging your **SUPPORT** of **SB 567 (DeSaulnier)** regarding the recycling of plastic products.

SB 567 prohibits manufacturers from making false claims about the degradation of their products and requires that end-of-life claims from plastic products be verifiable by scientific technical standards.

SB 567 will help ensure that products claiming to be “compostable meet the technical scientific standards for “compostability,” ASTM D6400 and actually break down in composting facilities. In addition SB 567 will assist consumers who want to make eco-friendly choices.

For these reasons, the California Chapters of SWANA SUPPORTS **SB 567** and urges your “aye” vote when it is heard on the Senate Floor. Thank you.