# North American Packaging Legislation Update

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# Topics

- Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)
- Bans
- Post Consumer Recycled (PCR) Content
- Preemption
- Canada
- Mexico



<u>lssue</u>	<u>Bills</u>	<u>States</u>
EPR	46	17
Compostable products	4	4
Organics	31	10
Recycled content	10	6
Single-use bags	4	1
Polystyrene	22	11
Straws	3	2
Pre-emption and municipal authority	15	11
Plastics (other)	103	22
Recycling	82	26
Chemical recycling	11	7
Solid waste	15	9
Chemicals	32	15
Other	40	18
TOTAL	418	40



Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)

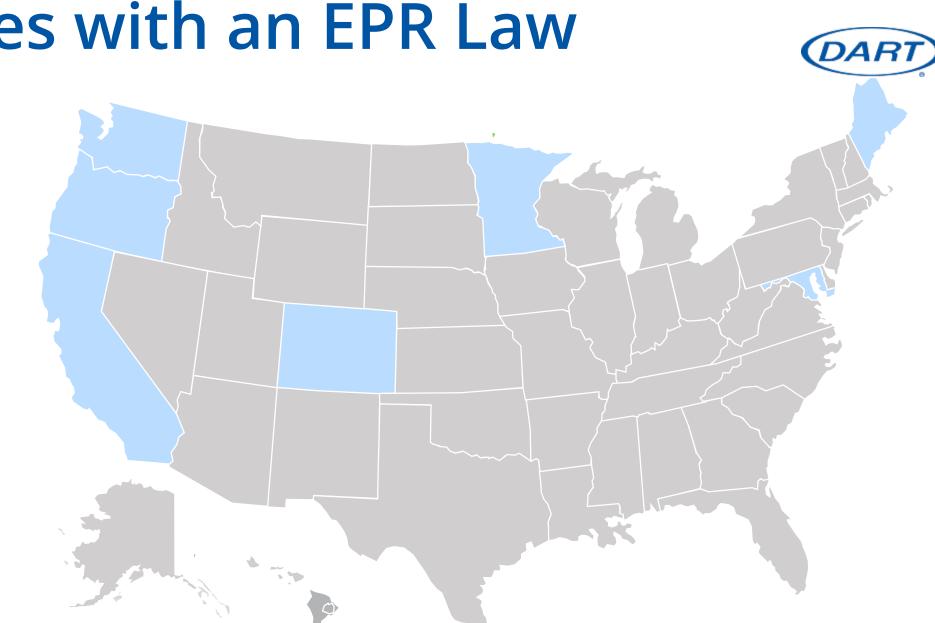


• Producers are responsible for product management throughout the product's lifecycle.

• 7 US states – none have the same law.

## **States with an EPR Law**

- California
- Colorado
- Maine
- Maryland
- Minnesota
- Oregon
- Washington State



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## **US EPR Elements**

- Source Reduction
- Recycling rates/dates
- Post Consumer Recycled (PCR) Content mandates
- Reuse / Refill

## **EPR Start Dates**



**Oregon**: July 1, 2025

Minnesota: February 1, 2029

Washington State: January 1, 2030

Colorado: January 1, 2026

Maine: September 2026

California: January 1, 2027?

Maryland: July 1, 2028

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## **Ban Threats**



### **Expanded Polystyrene**

- Alaska
  Pennsylvania
- Connecticut
  United States
- Illinois
- Massachusetts
- Montana
- Nevada

### Polystyrene

• New York

### **Black Plastic**

- Massachusetts
- New Jersey

## Post Consumer Recycled (PRC) Content: New Jersey



#### **Stand-alone law on PCR**

**Impacted:** Rigid Plastic Containers – 8 oz to 5 gallons

#### **Manufacturer Obligations:**

- Annual registration with NJ DEP
  - \$1000 annual fee
  - Report all brands of covered
    product

#### Food containers exempt until

**2027**; other containers had to comply in 2024

- 2024 10%
- 2027 20%
- 2030 30%
- 2033 40%
- 2036 50%

## Post Consumer Recycled (PRC) Content



### **Modeled after New Jersey**

- Maryland HB69: Dead / no carry over
- Massachusetts HB504: Active / carry over allowed

# Preemption

- 1. Arizona
- 2. Arkansas
- 3. Florida
- 4. Idaho
- 5. Indiana
- 6. Iowa
- 7. Michigan
- 8. Mississippi
- 9. North Carolina
- 10.North Dakota
- 11.Nebraska
- 12. Nevada
- 13. New Hampshire
- 14.Ohio
- 15.Oklahoma
- 16. South Dakota
- 17.Tennessee
- 18.Texas
- 19. West Virgin
- <sup>1</sup>20.Wisconsin





### **Federal Plastics Ban Update**

### **Federal Plastics Registry**

- **Goal:** collect data on plastic throughout its lifecycle
- Obligated Parties: Plastic resin manufacturers & importers, producers of plastic products, generators of plastic waste, and service providers.





- Mandate: Obligated parties to report each year on the quantity and types of plastic they put on the Canadian market and how that plastic moves through the economy
- First reporting deadline: September 29, 2025 (for 2024 data)
  - No ability to extend deadline
- <u>Regulatory Services Platform</u>





### **Pollution Prevention Planning Notice (P2 Notice)**

- Announced: April 2023
- **Obligated Party**: Large Grocery Retailers
- **Goal**: All plastic packaging designed to be reused, recycled or composted.



- Who controls waste in Mexico?
- Waste Management Program (WMP)



# Questions

### Thank you!

