

Cumulative Impacts bill ([S.8830/A.2103D](#)) will address the disproportionate burden of pollution in disadvantaged communities by ensuring all sources of pollution are considered when seeking State permits for polluting facilities. As described by Sonal Jessel, Director of Policy at WE ACT for Environmental Justice, "We need to stop treating these communities as dumping grounds for pollution and other hazards, and this law will protect these communities from additional burdens and prevent them from continuing to be environmental sacrifice zones."

Mercury Out of Cosmetics bill ([S.8291A/A.8630A](#)) mercury is a neurotoxin that is used as a preservative in skin lightening creams among other cosmetics and personal care products. Skin lightening products further perpetuate racist beauty standards as they are marketed to people of color worldwide with unclear ingredients labeling.

Ban PFAS in Clothing bill ([S6291A](#)) New York now with California is the second state to ban PFAS, perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances. PFAS also known as Forever Chemicals are used in textiles for water and stain proofing.