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The Honorable Evan Low, Chair
Assembly Committee on Business and Professions
Legislative Office Building, Room 379
Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: AB 246 (Quirk and Mathis): Contractors: disciplinary actions - Support

Dear Assembly Member Low:

The [National Stewardship Action Council](http://nsaction.us) is pleased to support AB 246 (Quirk and Mathis), which would add illegal dumping to the list of violations that constitute a cause for disciplinary action against a contractor by the Contractors' State License Board (CSLB).

The National Stewardship Action Council is a 501(c)(4) non-profit organization comprised of governments, non-government organizations, businesses, and consumers with the vision for the United States to attain a circular economy, an economic system aimed at eliminating waste and the continual use of resources. Illegally dumped materials are not part of a circular economy and instead create blight while negatively impacting public and environmental health.

This bill will help curb illegal dumping by allowing the CSLB to enforce against contractors who dump. We know this is an issue because in our work, we see many illegal dumps and know that tires, drywall, roofing shingles, dirt/rocks, and other construction and demolition materials are commonly found. Illegal dumping is a widespread problem in California that is obvious for anyone to see.

AB 246 will create a disciplinary action that will cause contractors to think twice before dumping. For the reasons described above, we strongly SUPPORT AB 246 (Quirk and Mathis) and urge your support when the bill is heard in Assembly Committee on Business and Professions.

Sincerely,

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