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## **ECOS Publishes All-States PFAS Compendium**

**Washington, DC** – The Environmental Council of the States (ECOS) is pleased to announce that it published today its <u>Compendium on State Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Actions</u>, which outlines PFAS policies and science to showcase important information on state efforts to protect human health and the environment. ECOS gathered information from the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

This extensive guide is intended to help states and other partners and stakeholders acquire more information on a particular PFAS topic and promote understanding of the important work underway. ECOS also emphasizes the need for federal leadership and support, urging coordinated, science-based strategies to inform and support state PFAS actions, as well as to advocate for Congressional budgetary decisions that can build state capacities to carry out this critical work across the nation.

"States are the frontline of PFAS action in the U.S." said James Kenney, ECOS President and Cabinet Secretary of the New Mexico Environment Department. "As ECOS and states advocate for increased Congressional funding to address PFAS, this Compendium collects and shares valuable information for federal and state policy makers."

"This resource helps states continue to tackle the reality of PFAS challenges impacting our communities and build on successes and lessons learned from others," adds Chris Wells, ECOS Vice President and Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality.

ECOS is the national nonprofit, nonpartisan association of state and territorial environmental agency leaders. ECOS oversees the Interstate Technology and Regulatory Council, which continues to provide credible technical guidance on PFAS. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.ecos.org/pfas">www.ecos.org/pfas</a>, and <a href="https://grant.org/pfas">pfas-1.itrcweb.org/</a>.