



WMDA/CAR Service Station  
and Automotive Repair Association

Chair: Brian J Feldman, Vice Chair Cheryl C. Kagan and members of Education, Energy, and Environmental Committee

RE: SB346 Maryland Beverage Container Recycling Refund and Litter Reduction program

Position: Unfavorable

My name is Kirk McCauley, my employer is WMDA/CAR, we represent service stations convenience stores and repair facilities across the state as a non- profit trade group.

We have county recycling centers now and I would think by enhancing what we already have, would a cost effective way to accomplish recycling goal.

Currently consumers and small business are struggling, and state is not doing very well in financial department. Now is not the time to add cost of a massive start up program that will not only be expensive but invite consumers to carry bags of mostly empty products into stores for employees to sort. This creates problems and unsanitary conditions.

Raise the cost of products if you must but find a better way to recover empty containers.

We ask for unfavorable vote.

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