

Subject: Support the Maryland Beverage Container Recycling Refund and Litter  
Reduction Program (Bottle Bill HB 232/SB346) Date of Hearing 2/14/25

Sponsors: Delegates Terrasa, Feldmark, Foley, Kaufman, Mireku-North, Pena-Melnyk,  
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To:Environment and Transportation Committee

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Dear Committee Members,

There are 10 states (90 million people) that have long standing container deposit bills that have achieved container recycling rates of 90%. Not only do these programs increase beverage container recycling to prevent litter, they also improve water quality, reduce GHG emissions, create jobs, increase the availability of high quality, food grade recycled content for new containers, etc.

Washington, D.C. just passed a similar bill. Let's join them Maryland! We need to do something about plastic pollution—our children don't need the threat of microplastics in their developing brains! Please support HB 232.

Thank you,  
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