

To whom it may concern,

I believe it is about time there was some sort of return deposit on drink bottles. This should be done either nationally, or via all states and territories having appropriate legislation.

Some of the reasons for implementing this are:

- 1) Reduction of litter, which will give the entire Australian community a greater sense of pride in our country
- 2) Improved outcomes for our waterways
- 3) A good impression for tourist and other visitors to this country
- 4) Improved recycling rates thereby making more appropriate use of resources

I believe the majority of Australians would support this initiative, and in fact would see a failure to implement an effective system as being weak and unrepresentative.

I applaud those in the Senate and House of Representatives who will support this, and implore the rest of you to carefully consider what is best for the citizens of Australia, and not what the various corporate lobby groups may be pushing you to vote for.

Thank You
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