



General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:

REP. HENNESSY, 127th Dist.

AN ACT IMPOSING A TAX ON PAPER AND PLASTIC BAGS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

To amend the general statutes to require grocery stores and retailers to collect a five cent tax on each paper and plastic bag dispensed to consumers and that proceeds from such tax be used to create jobs that benefit the environment.

Statement of Purpose:

To decrease the use of paper and plastic bags that wind up in landfills and waterways, to decrease dependency on foreign oil and to create a more sustainable and environmentally responsible economy.