



General Assembly

Amendment

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LCO No. 9861



Offered by:
REP. HARDING, 107th Dist.

To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 1037 File No. 562 Cal. No. 577

(As Amended)

"AN ACT CONCERNING SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT."

1 Strike section 2 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

2 "Sec. 2. Section 22a-244 of the general statutes is repealed and the
3 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2024*):

4 (a) (1) Every beverage container containing a carbonated beverage
5 sold or offered for sale in this state, except for any such beverage
6 containers sold or offered for sale for consumption on an interstate
7 passenger carrier, shall have a refund value. Such refund value shall not
8 be less than five cents and shall be a uniform amount throughout the
9 distribution process in this state. (2) Every beverage container
10 containing a noncarbonated beverage sold or offered for sale in this state
11 shall have a refund value, except for beverage containers containing a
12 noncarbonated beverage that are (A) sold or offered for sale for
13 consumption on an interstate passenger carrier, or (B) that comprise any
14 dealer's existing inventory as of March 31, 2009. Such refund value shall

15 not be less than five cents and shall be a uniform amount throughout
16 the distribution process in this state.

17 (b) Every beverage container sold or offered for sale in this state, that
18 has a refund value pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, shall clearly
19 indicate by embossing or by a stamp or by a label or other method
20 securely affixed to the beverage container (1) either the refund value of
21 the container or the words "return for deposit" or "return for refund" or
22 other words as approved by the Department of Energy and
23 Environmental Protection, and (2) either the word "Connecticut" or the
24 abbreviation "Ct.", provided this subdivision shall not apply to glass
25 beverage containers permanently marked or embossed with a brand
26 name.

27 (c) No person shall sell or offer for sale in this state any metal
28 beverage container (1) a part of which is designed to be detached in
29 order to open such container, or (2) that is connected to another
30 beverage container by a device constructed of a material which does not
31 decompose by photodegradation, chemical degradation or
32 biodegradation within a reasonable time after exposure to the elements.

33 (d) On and after January 1, 2024, each beverage container sold or
34 offered for sale in this state that has a refund value pursuant to
35 subsection (a) of this section, shall include a Universal Product Code
36 and barcode. Each deposit initiator shall provide such Universal
37 Product Code and barcode, with packaging information, to the reverse
38 vending machine system administrators and other system operators,
39 not less than thirty days prior to placement of any such beverage
40 container on the market."