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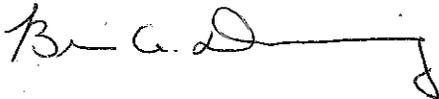
Dear Representative Davis:

The purpose of this letter to express my dissatisfaction with the current bottle deposit law. Although I personally think it's more of a nuisance to return bottles, I understand that the unreturned bottle deposits are sent into the state's general fund. With that said, here is my current issue that I think needs to be looked at immediately.

Recently, I went to a local grocery store to redeem bottles and cans. As I was placing bottles and cans into that gross dirty machine, many were being spit back because "The store does not accept this brand." When I asked the courtesy desk, they told me, "If our store does not sell that brand of beverage, you cannot redeem your five-cents here." As a result, I have to travel to various locations to redeem my bottles and cans for my money back. I find this ridiculous that have to jump through hoops to get my money back.

As far as I am concerned, if ANY store collects a five-cent deposit from me for a bottle and can deposit, I should have NO issues getting it back whether they sell that brand or not. I think something needs to be done regarding this (i.e. programming the machines to accept all bottles and cans that require a five-cent deposit). Thank you very much for your time looking into this matter.

Sincerely,



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