

I visited California last week and when making purchases at two stores (Marshall's and a gift shop) and was told I would have to pay \$.10 for a plastic bag or I could bring my own shopping bag. Other shops offered only paper bags. This certainly got my attention.

By the way, I also noticed there were no plastic bags floating around streets or stuck in trees.

Why can't we get this going in Connecticut?

As a kickoff, offer a one time payment of \$.05 per plastic bag retrieved and recycled at designated locations. This might be funded by paper bag companies who will certainly benefit from a ban on plastic bags. One time only for a one week period. Our streets and sidewalks will be much cleaner as a result.

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