

House Bill 5618

AN ACT CONCERNING AN INCREASE IN THE HANDLING FEE FOR BOTTLE
REDEMPTION CENTERS

To: Senator Kennedy, Senator Miner, Representative Demicco, and Members of the
Environment Committee

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony

I support HB 5618

This bill will give recycling redemption centers the help they need to maintain their
centers. Currently they are hampered by the lack of revenue which has been
unchanged for many years.

Higher deposits on recyclable bottles have realized higher recycling rates in other states
where such deposits have been instituted.

I would also support expansion of this bill to include deposits on sports drinks, teas, and
juice containers.

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