

To whom it may concern,

My name is Ahna and I am a Hamden resident who is very excited that my town is on the cusp of becoming an environmental leader by taking action to ban the use of unnecessary plastics whose production requires energy and resources and whose disposal often means extra pollution of our environment.

HB 1003 is a very important step to ban the use of single-use plastic bags. The bags are a huge polluter and entirely unnecessary. It's time we put an end to offering them. On top of the good steps that will be taken with this bill, I would also like to see it include a mandatory charge on paper bags as well to further push people to bring their own reusable bags when shopping.

I also support HB 5384, HB 5385, and HB 7294. Please pass all of these in the name of a better future for our state and our nation.

Thank you,

Ahna