



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 6011**

LCO No. 1951



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by:

REP. RYAN, 139<sup>th</sup> Dist.

REP. MUSHINSKY, 85<sup>th</sup> Dist.

REP. PALM, 36<sup>th</sup> Dist.

***AN ACT REGULATING THE TRANSITION FROM PLASTIC, SINGLE-USE CARRYOUT BAGS TO REUSABLE BAGS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to establish a three-year
- 2 period during which the distribution of single-use plastic carryout
- 3 bags is reduced by eighty per cent and retail establishments offer
- 4 reusable bags to consumers for a fee of not less than fifteen cents, the
- 5 proceeds of which are retained by the retailer. Additionally, after such
- 6 three-year period, no retailer may provide a customer with a plastic,
- 7 single-use carryout bag and any reusable bag offered by such retailer
- 8 to such customer shall be for a fee of not less than twenty-five cents.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To keep plastic bags from polluting the state's environment.