IN SUPPORT OF THE HB 7294

My name is Ron Calabro of Manchester, CT. I have been a long time supporter of the bottle bill. I can’t imagine what our streets, state parks, and beaches would be like if there was not an incentive to recycle. The deposit system provides that incentive.

The redemption centers work very hard to make their fair share. They must sort and count each and every bottle by different brands. I have been going to the redemption center in South Windsor for over a decade now. They are great family and work very hard six days a week. Seven days a week during peak summer months.

Especially now with the recycling rates going up for towns… the bottle bill is the way to go!

I think all redemption centers are long over due the increase of their handling fee. Also, I am all in for the expansion. Why don’t we have a deposit on the Gatorade, Powerade, juices, etc? What differentiates them from water and other deposit containers?

Thanks,

Ron Calabro