Petition Calling for Container Deposit Legislation in NSW

To the Honourable Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled. This Petition of the people of New South Wales brings to the attention of the House:

Around one third of waste collected on Clean Up Australia Day comes from plastic drink bottles and aluminium drink cans. Australia recycles only 36 per cent of glass and only 31 per cent of plastic containers.

South Australia has had a successful container deposit levy in place since 1975, and has achieved up to 90 per cent return rates on plastic, glass and aluminium cans.

A 2002 NSW Government commissioned independent report concluded that a container deposit levy would reduce beverage litter in NSW by 70 to 90 per cent and overall litter by half.

A container deposit levy in NSW would help us meet our target of increasing packaging recycling rates to 65 per cent.

The undersigned petitioners therefore ask that the NSW Government introduce a container deposit levy in NSW to reduce litter and increase recycling rates of drink containers.

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