

# SENATE . . . . . No. 1691

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Stanley C. Rosenberg, (BY REQUEST)***

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to the redemption of beverage containers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Stanley C. Rosenberg*  
*Michael Ruggeri*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

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By Mr. Rosenberg (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1691) of Stanley C. Rosenberg for legislation relative to the redemption of beverage containers.  
Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1532 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven  
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An Act relative to the redemption of beverage containers.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1                   SECTION 1. Section 323 of Chapter 94 of the General Laws is hereby  
2   amended by striking out subsection (c) in its entirety and replacing it with the following:-   (c)  
3   Except as provided in paragraph (f), a distributor must accept from any licensed or registered  
4   redemption center any empty beverage container of the type, size, and brand sold by the  
5   distributor within the past sixty days and must pay the redemption center the refund value of the  
6   beverage container plus a handling fee of at least 3.75 cents per container; said handling fee shall  
7   be reviewed annually by the appropriate agency which oversees the Bottle Bill law and shall be  
8   adjusted accordingly with the consumer price index.