

TOTAL STATE BILLS: 75	Taxes: 23	Bans: 25	Recycling: 14	Misc.: 13
TOTAL LOCAL BILLS: 7	Taxes: 2	Bans: 2	Recycling: 2	
FEDERAL: 1	Taxes: 1			
STATUS: Total Defeated: 49 S	(16)	(14)	(11)	(8)
Total Enactments 3 S				(3)
Total Enacted: 2 L		(1)	(1)	L=Local S=State

## PLASTIC BAGS 2009 STATE/LOCAL LEGISLATIVE TRACKING REPORT

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***Updated 6-05-2009***

Bill Type	Bill	Bill Summary	Status
TAX (FEDERAL)	<a href="#"><u>US HR 2091</u></a>	Would impose a retail tax of .05 cents, increasing to .25 cent in 2015, on single-use carryout bags.	<a href="#"><u>Introduced 4/23/09 and referred to House Natural Resources Committee – Assigned to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands on 4/29/09</u></a>
TAX	<a href="#"><u>AK SB 22</u></a>	An Act establishing a fee for disposable plastic bags distributed by retail sellers of goods or services to purchasers to carry away or protect goods; establishing the Alaska litter and marine debris reduction and recycling fund; and providing for an effective date.	<a href="#"><u>DEAD – Remained in Senate Resources Committee at adjournment</u></a>
RECYCLING MANDATE	<a href="#"><u>Tucson, AZ 10642</u></a>	This ordinance codifies an existing a plastic bag recycling program (“Bag Central Station”) supported by the grocers and expands this program to retailers over 10,000 square feet.	<a href="#"><u>Adopted by the mayor and city council on March 24, 2009</u></a>
RECYCLING MANDATE	<a href="#"><u>AZ HB 2416</u></a>	Amending title 49, chapter 4, Arizona Revised Statutes, by required retailers to establish at-store recycling programs for plastic bags.	<a href="#"><u>DEAD—Defeated by House Environment Committee - 02/24/2009</u></a>
TAX	<a href="#"><u>CA AB 68</u></a>	An act to add Chapter 5.3 (commencing with Section 42280) to Part 3 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, by imposing a .25 cent tax on single-use carryout bags.	<a href="#"><u>PLACED ON HOLD for two years Assembly Appropriations Committee 05/28/2009</u></a>

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TAX	<a href="#">CA AB 87</a>	Would amend existing law to impose a .25 cent tax on single-use carryout bags.	<b><u>PLACED ON HOLD for two years by Assembly Committee Appropriations Committee 05/28/2009</u></b>
RECYCLED CONTENT	<a href="#">CA AB 1141</a>	Among other requirements, provides for recycled-content in plastic carryout bags.	<b><u>HELD WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION by Assembly Com. on NAT. RES. – 04/27/2009</u></b>
COMPOST-TABLE/DE-GRADABLE	<a href="#">CA SB 228</a>	Would require a manufacturer of a marine degradable or compostable plastic bag meeting certain standards ensure that these bags are readily and easily identifiable from other plastic bags.	<b><u>HELD IN Senate Appropriations Committee – 05/28/2009</u></b>
EPR FEE	<a href="#">CA SB 531</a>	AMENDED to establish requirements for bag manufacturers to develop educational materials for at-store recycling programs that encourage the reducing, reusing and recycling of plastic bags.	<b><u>APPROVED BY THE SENATE and referred to the Assembly for further consideration – 06/01/09</u></b>
BAN	<a href="#">Palo Alto (CA) Bag Ban Ordinance</a>	Would ban the use of plastic carryout bags, effective September 2009.	Approved by the city council March 16, 2009.

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BAN	<a href="#">CO SB 156</a>	Creates the "Plastic Bag Reduction Act" (act), which prohibits a store that meets certain criteria from providing plastic bags to customers on and after July 1, 2012.EA	<a href="#">DEAD – Defeated by the Senate - 02/24/2009</a>
BAN	<a href="#">CT HB 5005</a>	To encourage the use of reusable checkout bags and to prohibit retailers from providing plastic bags to carry purchased goods.	<a href="#">DEAD – Remained in Joint Committee on Environment at adjournment</a>
TAX	<a href="#">CT HB 5107</a>	To mandate that stores levy a .05 cent tax on plastic bags and that the proceeds be used for a renewable energy fund.	<a href="#">DEAD – Remained in Joint Committee on Environment at adjournment</a>
TAX	<a href="#">CT HB 5207</a>	To amend the general statutes to require grocery stores and retailers to collect a .05 cent tax on each paper and plastic bag dispensed to consumers.	<a href="#">DEAD – Remained in Joint Committee on Environment at adjournment</a>
TAX	<a href="#">CT HB 5215</a>	To reduce plastic waste and encourage the use of reusable bags in retail stores by imposing a five-cent fee on plastic shopping bags.	<a href="#">DEAD – Remained in the</a>
BAN	<a href="#">CT HB 5273</a>	To ban the retail use of non-biodegradable bags on and after January 1, 2011.	<a href="#">DEAD – Remained in Joint Committee on Environment at adjournment</a>

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RECYCLING MANDATE	<a href="#">CT HB 5466</a>	To require retail establishments providing plastic shopping bags to accept the return of such bags and to recycle such bags.	<b>DEAD</b> – Remained in the Joint Committee on Environment at adjournment
TAX	<a href="#">CT HB 5479</a>	To reduce plastic waste and encourage the use of reusable bags in retail stores by imposing a five-cent fee on plastic shopping bags.	<b>DEAD</b> – Remained in the Joint Committee on Environment at adjournment
TAX/ RECYCLING MANDATE	<a href="#">CT HB 5492</a>	To require the recycling of plastic shopping bags and to impose a fee on each plastic or paper shopping bag provided to reduce the amount of solid waste produced in the state.	<b>DEAD</b> – Remained in the Joint Committee on Environment at adjournment
TAX	<a href="#">CT HB 6314</a>	To impose a fee of .05 cents for each bag provided by grocery stores to lessen landfill waste.	<b>DEAD</b> – Remained in the Joint Committee on Environment at adjournment
MANDATORY RECYCLING	<a href="#">DE HB 15</a>	Would require stores of at least 7,000 square feet to establish by 2010 an at-store recycling program that provides an opportunity for customers to return clean plastic carry-out bag for recycling.	<a href="#">Passed by House of Representatives (39-1) 03/26/2009</a>

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TAX	<a href="#">DC B18-0150</a>	Would impose a .05 cent fee on plastic or paper bags at liquor stores, grocery stores, drug stores and other businesses. The fee would be split between businesses and the city, with the District using its share to help clean the Anacostia River and offer free reusable bags to elderly and low-income residents.	<b><a href="#">APPROVED on first reading by the City Council on June 2.</a></b>
BAN	<a href="#">HI HB 1357 (same as HB 1292)</a>	Prohibits non-biodegradable plastic checkout bags; would retailers in the State to distribute only recyclable paper, reusable or compostable checkout bags.	<b><a href="#">DEAD – Remained in House Energy and Environment Committee at adjournment</a></b>
BIO-DEGRADABLE STANDARDS	<a href="#">HI HCR 43</a>	Among other things, requests the Department of Health to form a task force to establish minimum statewide standards for biodegradability for plastic grocery bags and food containers.	<b><a href="#">DEAD –Remained in Senate Committee on Health at adjournment</a></b>
BAN	<a href="#">HI HCR 61</a>	Provides for non-compostable plastic bag reduction.	<b><a href="#">DEAD – Remained in House Energy and Environment Committee at adjournment</a></b>
BAN	<a href="#">HI HR 49</a>	Provides for non-compostable plastic bag reduction.	<b><a href="#">DEAD – Remained in House Energy and Environment Committee at adjournment</a></b>

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BAN	<a href="#">HI SB 244</a>	Provides a refund or store credit to retail customers who do not use plastic shopping bags offered by the retailer at no additional charge.	<a href="#">DEAD – Remained in Senate Energy and Environment Committee at adjournment</a>
RECYCLING MANDATE/BAN	<a href="#">HI SB 245</a>	Establishes a statewide at-store plastic carryout bag recycling program, requiring certain retailers to collect and recycle plastic bags in their stores. Creates a ban on plastic bags effective January 1, 2011.	<a href="#">DEAD – Remained in Senate Energy and Environment Committee at adjournment</a>
BAN	<a href="#">HI SB 584</a>	Prohibits distribution of plastic shopping bags by retail stores and supermarkets in the State.	<a href="#">DEAD – Remained in Senate Judiciary and Govt. Operations Committee at adjournment</a>
TAX	<a href="#">HI SB 1163</a>	Requires distributors that sell and distribute plastic shopping bags to stores for use by consumers to pay to the department of health a fee of .05 cents per shopping bag.	<a href="#">DEAD – Remained in Senate Human Services Committee at adjournment</a>
BAN	<a href="#">HI SB 1292 (same as HB 1357)</a>	Requires retailers in the State to distribute only recyclable paper, reusable, or compostable checkout bags.	<a href="#">DEAD – Remained in Senate Energy and Environment Committee at adjournment</a>

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RECYCLING MANDATE	<a href="#"><u>IL HB 334</u></a>	Creates the Grocers' Mandatory Plastic Bag Recycling Act. Mandates the owner of each grocery store in Illinois to implement a plastic bag recycling program within 90 days after the effective date of this Act and provides various related requirements.	<a href="#"><u>DEAD – Failed to be reported by Environmental Health Committee before deadline.</u></a>
VOLUNTARY RECYCLING LAW CORRECTION	<a href="#"><u>IL HB 1862</u></a>	Amends the Plastic Bag Recycling Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the short title.	<a href="#"><u>DEAD – Remained in House Rules Committee at adjournment</u></a>
VOLUNTARY RECYCLING LAW CORRECTION	<a href="#"><u>IL SB 859</u></a>	Amends the Plastic Bag Recycling Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the short title.	<a href="#"><u>DEAD – Remained on Senate calendar at adjournment</u></a>
BAG WASTE REDUCTION	<a href="#"><u>ME LD 367</u></a>	REVISED from requiring retailers to charge .10 cents for plastic bags distributed to customers to instead create a work group to develop a comprehensive plan to reduce plastic bag waste. The group, which includes grocer, retailer and other industry reps., must design a regional pilot program including a current assessment of Maine's law governing waste reduction, and future goals for reductions. The work group must report its finding by	<a href="#"><u>SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR (Chapter 54) on 5/19/2009</u></a>

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		Jan. 15, 2010. The bill also provides for legislation to be introduced next January to implement a comprehensive waste reduction plan.	
REUSABLE MANDATE	<a href="#">ME LD 622</a>	Requires retailers with 30,000 square feet or more of space to provide bags made out of cloth or other durable fabric to a customer upon request, and at no charge to the customer, at least twice a year.	<a href="#">DEAD – Died in Senate Committee on BUSINESS, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT on 3/26/09</a>
TAX	<a href="#">MD HB 1210</a>	Requires all retail stores to charge and collect .05 cents for each paper or plastic carryout bag it provides to a customer and also authorizes stores to retain a specified amount of the fee under specified circumstances.	<a href="#">DEAD – Failed to be reported from House Environmental Matters Committee before deadline.</a>
BAN	<a href="#">MA HB 719</a>	Prohibits supermarkets or pharmacies, as defined, from providing a checkout bag to a consumer unless the bag is either a compostable plastic bag, a recyclable paper bag, or a reusable bag.	<a href="#">Pending Joint Environment &amp; Natural Resources Committee – public hearing held 5/14/09</a>
BAN	<a href="#">MA HB 798</a>	Prohibits retailers with annual sales exceeding \$500,000 from providing plastic carryout bags.	<a href="#">Pending Joint Environment &amp; Natural Resources Committee – public hearing held 5/14/09</a>



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TAX	<a href="#">MA HB 2686</a>	Requires supermarkets with annual sales in excess of \$1M to impose a .05 cent tax on every plastic carryout bag provided to their customers.	<a href="#">Joint Committee on Revenue conducted a public hearing 04/12/09</a> – ACC testified in opposition.
BAN	<a href="#">MA SB 395</a>	Prohibits stores from provide plastic carryout our bags to consumers.	<a href="#">Pending Joint Environment &amp; Natural Resources Committee – public hearing held 5/14/09</a>
TAX	<a href="#">MA SB 1284</a>	Requires stores with annual sales in excess of \$1M to impose a .02 cent tax on every plastic carryout bag provided to their customers.	<a href="#">Joint Committee on Revenue conductd public hearing on 04/12/09</a> – ACC testified in opposition.
RECYCLING MANDATE	<a href="#">MN HF 41</a>	Provides for establishment of in-store recycling program for plastic bag and film collection and recycling.	<a href="#">DEAD - House Environment Policy and Oversight Committee took no action before deadline.</a>
BIO- AND DEGRADABLE BAG LABELING STANDARDS	<a href="#">MN HF 403</a>	Among other requirements, provides for the establishment of labeling standards for compostable, biodegradable and degradable plastic bags and containers,	<a href="#">DEAD – Remained in House Environment and Natural Resources Committee at adjournment</a>
RECYCLING MANDATE	<a href="#">MN HF 576 (same as SF 267)</a>	Provides for establishment of in-store recycling program for plastic bag and film collection and recycling.	<a href="#">DEAD - House Environment Policy and Oversight Committee took no action before deadline.</a>

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RECYCLING MANDATE	<a href="#">MN SF 267</a> ( <a href="#">same as HF 576</a> )	Provides for plastic bag recycling by requiring retailers to establish in-store recycling programs and specifying program and reporting requirements; requiring manufacturers to make collection and recycling arrangements with retailers upon request.	<a href="#">DEAD - Senate Environment and Natural Resources took no action before deadline.</a>
BIO- AND DEGRADABLE BAG LABELING STANDARDS	<a href="#">MN SF 383</a>	Among other requirements, provides for the establishment of labeling standards for compostable, biodegradable and degradable plastic bags and containers.	<a href="#">AMENDED INTO HR 2123 (an omnibus environment bill) – Signed by the governor 05/11/09</a>
BAN	<a href="#">MO SB 340</a>	Creates the Plastic Bag Reduction Act to require supermarkets and pharmacies to exclusively provide recyclable paper bags, compostable bags, or reusable cloth bags beginning January 28, 2010.	<a href="#">DEAD – Remained in Senate Commerce, Consumer Protection, Energy and the Environment Committee at adjournment</a>
BAN	<a href="#">NY SB 544</a>	Requires retail businesses to restrict the use of non-compostable plastic bags.	<a href="#">Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Consumer Protection - 01/07/2009</a>

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MANDATORY RECYCLING	<a href="#">NY SB 4595</a>	Would exempt the City of New York's local plastic bag recycling law from preemption by the statewide law. Without the amendment, fewer retail stores in New York City would be required to recycle plastic bags because the State law applies to retail stores 10,000 sq. ft. or larger, while the City's law applies to retail stores 5,000 sq. ft. in size.	<a href="#">Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Environmental Conservation - 04/24/2009</a>
TAX	<a href="#">NY SB 4866</a>	Would impose a .05 cent 'fee' on plastic shopping bags only in cities with a population of one million or more. Because of this legal distinction, the fee would apply only in the City of New York, which has been seeking the authority to impose a plastic bag tax.	<a href="#">Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Cities - 04/27/2009</a>
TAX	<a href="#">NY SB 5067</a>	Would impose a .05 cents surcharge on plastic shopping bags used to transport consumer goods at point of sale in shops, supermarkets, service stations and all sales outlets.	<a href="#">Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Investigations &amp; Government Operations - 04/27/2009</a>
BAN	<a href="#">NY AB 6070</a>	Would prohibit plastic carryout bags by requiring all large retail supermarkets with \$2M or more in annual sales to provide only paper bags, compostable plastic bags, or reusable bags to their customers.	<a href="#">Introduced and referred to committee on Assembly Environmental Conservation - 02/24/2009</a>

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REUSABLE REBATE	<a href="#">NY AB 6144</a>	Provides a rebate incentive for reusable bags by requiring store operators to pay customers at least 2 cents for each bag brought in to carry out purchased goods.	<a href="#">Introduced and referred to committee on Assembly Environmental Conservation - 02/26/2009</a>
TAX	<a href="#">NY AB 6537</a>	Imposes a .15 cent tax on plastic shopping bags used to transport every sale of tangible personal property by consumers.	<a href="#">Introduced and referred to Assembly Ways and Means Committee - 03/06/2009</a>
BAG REDUCTION COMMISSION	<a href="#">NY AB 6937</a>	Would establish a temporary state commission on disposable merchandise bags to examine and assess means to reduce the adverse impact of such bags on the environment.	<a href="#">Introduced and referred to Assembly committee on Environmental Conservation - 03/17/2009</a>
TAX	<a href="#">NY AB 7844</a>	Would impose a .05 cent 'fee' on plastic shopping bags only in cities with a population of one million or more. Because of this legal distinction, the fee would apply only in the City of New York, which has been seeking the authority to impose a plastic bag tax.	<a href="#">Introduced and referred to committee on Assembly Cities - 04/27/2009</a>
TAX	<a href="#">Ulster County, NY Local Law #3</a>	Would impose a .10 cent fee on all disposable plastic bags intended for customer use in carrying food or merchandise from retail establishment/stores within Ulster County.	<a href="#">Pending Laws &amp; Rules Committee – 4/06/09</a> Public hearing held May 6.

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TAX	<a href="#">NV SB 397</a>	Would require retailers to impose a .10 cent fee on non-biodegradable and non-compostable plastic bags provided to customers between October 1, 2009, and June 30, 2011, and would outright ban such bags after July 1, 2011; also provides penalties.	<a href="#">DEAD – Remained in the Senate Commerce and Labor Committee upon adjournment</a>
BAN	<a href="#">NC HB 810</a> (same as SB 1018)	Prohibits retailers that have more than 5,000 sq. ft. of space or part of a retail chain from providing plastic bags to customers unless the bag is a reusable bag or a compostable plastic bag.	<a href="#">Introduced and referred to the House Environment and Natural Resources - 03/26/2009</a>
MANDATORY RECYCLING	<a href="#">NC HB 1288</a>	Would require retailers who offer plastic checkout bags to provide in-store recycling with clearly marked receptacles for the bags, and arrange for collection of the material and sets a state goal to recycle 75% of plastic checkout bags consumed.	<a href="#">House Committee on Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurships - 04/09/2009</a>
BAN	<a href="#">NC SB 1018</a>	AMENDED to establish a plastic bag ban for three coastal counties in Outer Banks of the state.	<a href="#">Senate approved 5/13/09 – bill has been referred to the House Environment and Natural Resources Committee for further consideration; public hearing scheduled 6/9/09</a>

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BAN	<a href="#">Philadelphia (PA) 090074</a>	Requires all supermarkets and pharmacies to provide only recyclable paper bags, reusable bags, or compostable plastic bags.	<a href="#">Committee on Environment held bill from further consideration</a>
TAX	<a href="#">Philadelphia (PA) 090075</a>	Would require all grocery stores, drug stores, and convenient stores to charge a .25 cent fee on disposable paper or plastic disposable shopping bags.	<b><a href="#">Re-referred to the Environment Committee</a> — public hearing scheduled 6/10/09</b>
BAN	<a href="#">PA SB 609</a>	Act prohibiting grocery stores from providing to purchasers paper and plastic bags for goods purchased at grocery stores.	<a href="#">Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Environmental Resources and Energy - 03/19/2009</a>
BAN	<a href="#">PA SB 864</a>	This bill would impose a .02 cent tax would on each plastic bag supplied at any retail establishment with .01 cent going to the state for recycling programs and the other .01 cent going back to the vendors.	<a href="#">Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance - 05/12/2009</a>
TAX	<a href="#">RI SB 804</a>	This act would require every retail establishment to provide an instant rebate of five cents for every reusable bag provided to customers and to charge a \$0.15 cent fee for every plastic bag provided to customers.	<a href="#">Introduced and referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture - 03/24/2009</a>

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RECYCLING MANDATE	<a href="#">TX HB 1867</a> (same as <a href="#">SB 338</a> )	Committee substitute would establish a plastic bag recycle-reuse credit trading program to provide incentives to reduce bag consumption and to recycle bags.	<a href="#">DEAD – Committee substitute left pending in the House Environmental Regulation Committee – 4/08/2009</a>
MANDATORY RECYCLING	<a href="#">TX HB 3427</a>	Requires businesses or shopping malls that offer plastic checkout bags to customers to provide for in-store recycling programs.	<a href="#">DEAD – bill let in House Environmental Regulation Committee 4/08/2009</a>
TAX	<a href="#">TX HB 1361</a>	Would impose a .07 fee on plastic bags provided to customers by retailers.	<a href="#">DEAD – Committee substitute left in House Way &amp; Mean Committee – 4/22/2009</a>
RECYCLING MANDATE	<a href="#">TX SB 338</a>	Requires businesses that offer plastic checkout bags to customers to provides for establishment of in-store recycling programs.	<a href="#">DEAD – Committee substitute remained in House Environmental Regulation Committee – 5/19/2009</a>
BAN	<a href="#">VA HB 1814</a>	Bans the use of plastic carryout bags by retailers at the point of sale unless such bags are (i) durable plastic bags with handles; (ii) at least 2.25 mils thick; and (iii) specifically designed and manufactured for multiple reuse.	<a href="#">DEAD--Left in House Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources - 02/10/2009</a>

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TAX	<a href="#">VA HB 2010</a>	Imposes a fee of .05 cents on paper and plastic bags used by purchasers to carry tangible personal property from the place of purchase.	<a href="#">DEAD--Left in House Finance - 02/10/2009</a>
BAN	<a href="#">VA SB 873</a>	Bans the use of plastic carryout bags by retailers at the point of sale unless such bags are (i) durable plastic bags with handles; (ii) at least 2.25 mils thick; and (iii) specifically designed and manufactured for multiple reuse.	<a href="#">DEAD--Left in Senate Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources - 02/11/2009</a>
RECYCLING MANDATE	<a href="#">VA SB 971</a>	Requires certain stores to provide on-premises recycling for plastic bags. Stores that are part of a chain or more than 5,000 square feet must provide reusable bags for sale and take back and recycle used plastic bags.	<a href="#">DEAD—Senate: Stricken at request of Patron in Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources (14-Y 0-N) - 01/19/2009</a>
BAG REDUCTION	<a href="#">VA SJ 445</a>	A joint resolution commending Farm Fresh Food/Pharmacy for its efforts to reduce plastic bag use by encouraging customers to switch to reusable bags.	<a href="#">House: Agreed to by House by voice vote - 02/23/2009</a>
TAX	<a href="#">VT SB 33</a>	Would impose a .03 cent tax on plastic carryout bags.	<a href="#">DEAD – Remained in Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Energy at adjournment</a>



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TAX	<a href="#">VT HB 262</a>	Would impose a tax of .17 cents on every non-compostable plastic bag "purchased or received" in a retail transaction. Plastic bags used for produce would be exempted, but the tax would apply to plastic bags sold to consumers for trash collection.	<a href="#">DEAD – Remained in House Ways and Means Committee at adjournment</a>
BAN	<a href="#">WA HB 1189</a>	Prohibits a retailer from providing a carryout bag for free or for charge to a consumer unless the carryout bag is either a compostable plastic carryout bag, a recyclable paper carryout bag, or a reusable carryout bag.	<a href="#">DEAD –Failed to receive action by the House Committee on Environmental Health at final public hearing 02/04/2009</a>
BAN	<a href="#">WI AB 170</a>	This bill prohibits a person who is engaged in the retail sale of goods from providing a bag for a customer's purchases unless the bag is one of the following: 1) a compostable plastic bag; 2) a cloth or plastic bag intended for multiple reuses; or 3) a recyclable paper bag.	<a href="#">Introduced and referred to Committee on Jobs, the Economy and Small Business - 03/24/2009</a>
RECYCLING/ CLEAN BAG LANDFILL BAN	<a href="#">Madison, WI, LD File # 14564</a>	Amending Section 10.18(7)(b)2., creating Sec. 10.18(7)(f), and amending Sec. 1.08(3)(a) to ban the disposal of non-contaminated recyclable plastic bags.	<b>APPROVED</b> by the Solid Waste Advisory Committee – <a href="#">06/04/2009</a>

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BAN	<a href="#">WV HB 3058</a>	This bill would phase out the use of plastic bags from retail establishments and make available reusable bags.	<b><a href="#">DEAD – Remained in House Energy, Industry and Labor, Economic Development and Small Business Committee at adjournment</a></b>