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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LITTER

Introduced By: Senators Ruggerio, Doyle, Perry, Felag, and Connors

Date Introduced: February 13, 2008

Referred To: Senate Environment & Agriculture

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1           SECTION 1. Chapter 23-18.11 of the General Laws entitled "Promotion of Paper Bag  
2 Usage" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:  
3           **23-18.11-3.2. Reusable bag discount.** – Every retail establishment shall provide an  
4 instant rebate of five cents (\$.05) per bag for every reusable bag each customer provides for the  
5 goods that they have purchased in that retail establishment. Each retail establishment shall post  
6 notice of this credit in appropriate visible locations within the business.  
7           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
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1           This act would mandate that retail establishments give their customers who provide their  
2 own reusable bags a five cent (\$.05) per bag instant rebate and to post written notice of the credit  
3 to their customers.

4           This act would take effect upon passage.

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