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**Cc:** Sen\_Bell; Rep. Morales, David  
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Clerk: Lou Mansolillo

To All it may concern,

My family strongly supports the bottle bill, H6207. Every day we pick up bottles and cans on the street in front of our building. This bill will preserve resources, encourage clean streets, keep plastic and other waste out of the oceans, save wildlife, and slow environmental destruction.

Ever since Providence banned plastic shopping bags, the streets, and trees, have been cleaner. Creating incentives for people to pick up and return bottles will be even more powerful for encouraging environmental stewardship. Yes, it's a big change but, in this day of cynicism and destruction, we need big changes to show that we stand for community and will continue, as a state, to be better, more caring people.

Massachusetts has had a bottle bill for years, and their economy thrives. There is no reason to think that, with this improvement to our waste disposal process, we can't thrive, as well. The bill pays for itself. It discourages negative behaviors, and it will make our streets cleaner. Let's not allow industry to kill something so powerful and good. Please support H6207.

Sincerely,  
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