



Meeting Date: February 12, 2025
Subject: SB 1046 – Pre-Checkout Bags
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Background

[SB 1046](#) (Eggman, Chapter 991, Statutes of 2022) restricts the types of bags that many retail establishments can offer customers at checkout. Affected businesses include most grocery stores, retail stores with pharmacies, convenience stores, food marts, and liquor stores.

Pre-checkout bags are provided to a customer before checkout to:

- Contain unwrapped items like bulk foods or loose produce
- Protect a purchased item from damage or contamination

As of January 1, 2025, stores may only provide customers with pre-checkout bags that are:

- Recycled paper bags or
- Compostable bags

Compostable pre-checkout bags must comply with specific requirements

Discussion

Should our local ordinance mirror the state law, or are there specific areas where we should implement stricter or more tailored regulations (e.g., recycled paper bags only)?