

**A-Engrossed**  
**Senate Bill 545**

Ordered by the Senate March 10  
Including Senate Amendments dated March 10

Sponsored by Senators SOLLMAN, DEMBROW, Representative DEXTER; Senator TAYLOR (Presession filed.)

**SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor’s brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

*[Directs State Department of Agriculture and Oregon Health Authority to adopt rules allowing consumers to use own containers for refilling with food at food establishment. Directs department and authority to adopt rules allowing food establishments to reuse take-home food containers returned to restaurant by consumer.]*

*[Requires department and authority to adopt rules that take effect no later than December 31, 2023.]*

**Directs Oregon Health Authority to adopt rules allowing restaurants to allow consumers to fill consumer-owned container with food.**

**Requires authority to adopt rules that take effect no later than June 30, 2024.**

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

Relating to reuse of containers; and declaring an emergency.

**Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

**SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

**(a) “Beverage” means a liquid for drinking, including water.**

**(b) “Food” means a raw, cooked or processed edible substance, ice, beverage or ingredient used or intended for use or for sale in whole or in part for human consumption, or chewing gum.**

**(c) “Restaurant” has the meaning given that term in ORS 624.010.**

**(2) The Oregon Health Authority shall adopt rules allowing for a restaurant to allow a consumer to fill a consumer-owned container with food.**

**SECTION 2. The Oregon Health Authority shall adopt rules under section 1 of this 2023 Act that take effect no later than June 30, 2024.**

**SECTION 3. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect on its passage.**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.