

# Vote YES on Senate Bill 551

Plastic pollution is a pressing environmental issue, with ever-increasing production of disposable plastic products outpacing our ability to deal with them. As a result, plastic is ending up in our environment where it can harm wildlife, damage ecosystems and threaten public health.



Senate Bill 551 prioritizes reducing the use and waste of plastic items that are intended for one use, are not accepted in curbside recycling in Oregon and are destined to be trash after just moments of use.

| Senate Bill 551 would  | Senate Bill 551 would not  |
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| Eliminate all plastic film bags at checkout at grocery stores and restaurants starting on January 1, 2027  | Prohibit people from bringing a reusable bag from home, using a paper bag for a five cent fee at grocery and retail stores, or a paper bag for no fee at a restaurant  |
| Phase out single-use plastic toiletries at lodging establishments with more than 50 rooms starting on January 1, 2027 and for all lodging establishments starting on January 1, 2028 | Require lodging establishments to use refillable toiletry containers, require refillable containers to be a particular material type, prohibit lodging establishments from having single-use plastic toiletries available upon request of the customer |
| Require restaurants to provide single-use plastic utensils and condiments only upon request of the customer starting on July 1, 2026   | Ban single-use plastic utensils and condiments   |

**Help reduce plastic pollution and vote YES on Senate Bill 551.**

From the desk of Representative Courtney Neron