



August 27, 2018

The Honorable Steve Glazer  
California State Senate, 7<sup>th</sup> District  
State Capitol, Room 4072  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: SB 452 (Glazer) The California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act. – REMOVES OPPOSITION as amended August 24, 2018**

Dear Senator Glazer,

On behalf of the California Chapters of the Solid Waste Association of North America's (SWANA) Legislative Task Force (LTF), I respectfully write to let you know that we have officially dropped our opposition to your **SB 452 (Glazer)**.

SWANA is the world's largest association of solid waste professionals (10,000 members). SWANA's three California chapters represent more than 900 of those members. SWANA represents much of the publicly-owned and –operated solid waste management infrastructure in the state and the local governments responsible for implementing waste diversion and recycling programs. The LTF is responsible for representing the California Chapters on legislative and regulatory issues. SWANA is committed to advancing the practice of environmentally- and economically-sound management of municipal solid waste.

**SB 452 (Glazer)** aims to make revisions to the Bottle Bill to address the challenges faced by grocers and retailers in light of recycling center closures throughout the state. As previously stated, we think CalRecycle should have discretionary authority to withhold payments to cities and counties that impose local siting restrictions on supermarket sites, as there is a range of instances in which limited siting restrictions are necessary and appropriate. Cities and counties need flexibility to manage uncontrolled litter, environmental hazards, and permitting issues, among other factors. Our previous concerns have now been addressed, ensuring that CalRecycle has discretionary authority to determine whether restrictions go too far and warrant withholding payments, rather than being automatically requiring the department to do so with no consideration of context.

We appreciate that you have amended your bill to ensure localities have appropriate local control and CalRecycle has oversight and enforcement authority as needed. We appreciate both your and the sponsor's willingness to work with us. With the recent amendments, the SWANA LTF has removed its opposition to **SB 452 (Glazer)**. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Melissa Immel', is written in black ink.

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Cc: Honorable Members, California State Assembly

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