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1 Introduced by Mr. LeDuc of Pittsford

2 Mr. Bunting of Brandon

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Subject: Natural resources; sale of glass containers, restriction on

5 Sponsor's statement of purpose: It is the purpose of this bill to

6 prohibit the sale of beverages in non-returnable bottles.

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16 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE SALE OF BEER, ALE AND CARBONATED BEVERAGES IN

17 DISPOSABLE GLASS CONTAINERS

18 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

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1 Sec. 1. Sale of beverages in redeemable containers

2 No person acting as a wholesaler or distributor shall distribute,
3 sell or offer for sale beer, ale, carbonated beverages or soft drinks
4 in a glass, plastic or metal container for consumption or use off the
5 premises on which they are to be sold or offered for sale unless the
6 person acting as a wholesaler or distributor undertakes to refund to
7 the person in possession thereof at least the sum of five cents for
8 each container on delivery of the same to the wholesaler or distributor.

9 Sec. 2. Redemption depots

10 A person acting as a wholesaler or distributor distributing, selling
11 or offering for sale beverages as specified in section 1 of this act
12 shall, for the purpose of complying with section 1 of this act, provide
13 a depot or depots, at least one depot in each town or municipality, for
14 the acceptance of containers and payment of refunds as required under
15 section 1. However, nothing in this section shall require a distributor
16 to repurchase empty containers of a brand or brands not distributed
17 by him.

18 Sec. 3. Penalty

19 A person who violates this act shall be fined not more than \$500.00.

20 Sec. 4. 7 V.S.A. § 227a is added to read:

21 § 227a. WHOLESALE DEALERS IN CARBONATED BEVERAGES

22 The liquor control board shall grant a license to a wholesale dealer
23 to sell carbonated beverages and soft drinks at wholesale. No person
24 shall sell or distribute such beverages at wholesale without such a
25 license. The board may revoke the license of any person issued under

1 this section for violation of any provision of law relating to the
2 manner of sale of such beverages, or the repurchase or redemption or
3 repurchase of containers in which the same are sold, or the providing
4 of facilities for the redemption thereof as required by law.

5 Sec. 5. This act shall take effect October 1, 1972.

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