

## Shore, Lynne L. (formerly Duda)

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**Subject:** Hi Lynn, [Scanned][Spam score:9%]

Hi Lynn,

I have mixed emotions hearing about the possible implementation of the bill banning polystyrene containers and trays from SNP. It is a wonderful idea, and one I would have implemented myself in our school district, had I the resources to afford compost able alternatives. They are at least 4 times the price of the foam trays that we currently use. We can't afford them.

We held out for years washing our own trays, but were finally not able to afford the labor needed to do this. We reluctantly chose to use disposable foam trays instead of paying for extra hours of labor spent washing the plastic trays. Even with a large commercial dishwasher, the time to do this was costing too much money. We had to cut labor hours because we didn't have the funding like in years past.

One of our district's budget reductions was to go to a four day school week, to save on labor costs. Most of that was absorbed by my kitchen staff who only work 4 days also now. Custodians, Maintenance dept, teaching staff, administration, and the Transportation dept. all still work 5 days, or parts of the 5th day.

If this law is to be implemented in an "emergency" measure, they need to also provide a way to augment our budgets to afford another alternative.

Thank you,  
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