

HB 2509

Bag ban support from the Oregon Coast.

I support the single use plastic bag ban. I urge you to do the same.

I live and vote in Seaside Oregon. What makes us and the entire Oregon Coast special is the environment. Tourists and locals can only eat so much salt water taffy and take so many carousel rides. It is the Pacific Ocean that is the real draw to the region. Both for us residents, and our visitors.

Plastic bags are the scourge of the Oregon coastline. Visitors come, they buy something, they are handed a plastic bag. MILLIONS OF THEM! Those bags escape and end up in our seagrass, in our ocean, in our trees, in our sewer system, and in our streets. The wildlife think the bags are food and eat them.

Ban the bags.

Don't make any exemptions.

A plastic bag is a plastic bag no matter what kind of retail store hands it to a customer. Ban grocery store plastic bags, restaurant take out plastic bags, restaurant "doggy bags", hardware store plastic bags, general store plastic bags, and yes, salt water taffy plastic bags.

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