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Measure: SB543

Dear Senators Sollman, Dembrow and Representative Dexter, and other sponsors,

Thank you for sponsoring this bill. I personally try to keep the amount of waste I produce to a minimum, but this can be hard to do if I don't plan ahead. I like to bring my own containers for leftovers when eating out but often forget to do so. During the pandemic, when everything was take-out, I was appalled by the amount of plastic waste produced for a single meal at a sushi or bento restaurant. Many restaurants will use cardboard containers, so I'm always a little shocked when I see some restaurants still using styrofoam.

I fully support this bill, and I hope you will do more to decrease/eliminate all singleuse styrofoam and plastic containers. This is a good bill, but it does not go far enough.