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To whom it concerns!

I am writing in support of the Deposit Refund Scheme.

Currently, there is almost no recycling infrastructure for on-the-go waste in Ireland. Every plastic bottle and aluminium can that goes into a public street bin is going to landfill or incineration. Perfectly good recyclable materials are going to waste! Investing in recycling infrastructure like the DRS is a vital step towards changing this. We need to return, not burn our plastic bottles and aluminium cans.

“Deposit Return Schemes mean less plastic litter on our streets, it rewards people for recycling and it keeps plastic and other recyclable materials so they can be repurposed. It works in other countries so we can do it in Ireland - but only if the government lead the way.” - Claudia Tormey, from Sick of Plastic

Deposit Return Schemes are successful in countries across Europe and states across the US. The simplicity of the method makes it easy and appealing to the public and engages us in thinking about materials In a circular way and rewarding people for greener behaviour, while also making sure we meet our EU recycling commitments.

All the best,
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