

Contact Your Legislators Directly!

Let them know how you feel!

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Find out who your legislators are!

If you need help finding your legislators visit leg.wa.gov or follow these steps:

1. Visit <https://app.leg.wa.gov/DistrictFinder/>
2. Input your information
3. Click on the name of a legislator
4. Call the number listed or
5. You can also click on “email” to send a letter to your legislator. See below for more information.
6. You can also mail your legislator a hand-written letter!

How To Call Your Legislators

The best way to contact your legislators is to call the legislative hotline: **1-800-562-6000**, **which operates from 8 am to 7 pm M-F**. The operator will ask for your zip code and the message you would like to leave for your legislator.

Sample Calling Script

My name is **XXXX XXXX** and I live in **[town]**. I’m calling to ask for your support in establishing a producer responsibility program in Washington to reduce the growing amount of plastic and other hard-to-manage packaging and improve recycling here in Washington. Thank you!

Write to your legislators (Sample email or letter)

Hello [NAME] my name is [NAME]

I am writing to express my support of establishing producer responsibility for packaging as a way to reduce single-use waste in Washington.

[Insert statements/stories about the problem, and why it's important to you. Sample talking points:]

- Tired of pollution. Plastic, single-use, and other hard-to-recycle packaging has increased dramatically over the years and continues to increase.
- Washington's recycling systems have not been able to keep up with the influx of plastic and paper packaging flooding into our homes and environment.
- Recycling is confusing, and costly.
 - There is a different list in every city of what you can and can't recycle.
 - Rates have increased for some Washingtonians up to 30% and some Washingtonians don't even have access to recycling services.

Washington should **establish a producer responsibility program for packaging**, similar to the programs established for a decade in Canada and recently passed in Maine, Colorado, and California. Companies should be held responsible for the waste their products create and should fund the collection and processing of recycled materials, taking the cost burden off residents and municipalities.

Please support the policies to reduce plastic and single-use waste. We need to address the growing amount of packaging and fix Washington's inefficient recycling systems.

Thank you.

From,

Sample postcard/letter language:

Dear [[legislators name]],

Single-use plastics are nearly impossible to avoid, and it's residents like me who foot the bill for managing the waste.

I urge you to make companies and manufacturers responsible for the trash their products create by supporting producer responsibility legislation for packaging.

Producer-funded recycling systems shift the costs of recycling from ratepayers onto companies that make packaging decisions in the first place. This will expand recycling services across the state at no cost to residents, while also incentivizing more sustainable packaging design and reducing plastic waste and pollution in the environment.

Thank you,
[[Your Name]]