



American Legion Auxiliary New Mexico Girls State

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INTRODUCED BY

AN ACT

Enacting A Tax On Plastic Bags at Retail Stores

RELATING TO ENACTING A TAX ON PLASTIC BAGS AT RETAIL STORES; THOSE INCLUDING PHARMACIES, FOOD MARKETS, AND LIQUOR STORES. ADDING AN EXTRA FEE TO THOSE WHO ASK FOR IT. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NEW MEXICO GIRLS STATE.

SECTION 1 DEFINITIONS.

A. “Tax” is a fee

B. “NMED” is New Mexico’s Environment Department

C. “NMDH” is New Mexico’s Department of Health

SECTION 2 PROVISIONS.

A tax fee shall be added to each plastic back. This fee shall be ten cents. Consumers will not be able to receive a plastic bag, unless he or she is charged accordingly. Many benefits shall come from enforcing this tax. In such ways as the city receiving seven cents from each purchased plastic bag. The money received will be used to upkeep the community such as libraries, parks, schools, clubs, etc. The remaining three cents from the tax on each purchased plastic bag will stay with the retailer. This tax will promise a more healthy safe-living environment. NMED and NMDH, along with other environmental projects shall be in full support of this tax. More benefits include a decrease in litter, ocean contamination, landfill blockages, and the harming of Marine and wildlife animals (due to toxic chemicals released from the plastic bag). This tax act shall be the start to our planets recovery.

All laws, acts, provisions, or parts of laws contained in the CJ situation of the state of New Mexico in conflict with any provision of this act are hereby repealed. This act shall become effective 90 days after its passage and approval by the American Legion Auxiliary New Mexico Girls State Governor or its otherwise becoming a law.

