

FOR THE MEMBER FOR BRIGHTON

Environment Legislation Amendment (Circular Economy and Other Matters) Bill 2023 — reasoned amendment

I move —

That all the words after ‘That’ be omitted and replaced with the words

‘this House refuses to read this Bill a second time until the government commits to:

- (1) Publicly release an update on the progress of the roll-out of the Container Deposit Scheme, which commences on 1 November 2023, noting that:
 - (a) only half of the estimated 600 consumer collection point sites have been publicly confirmed, with no sites announced in Melbourne’s Central Business District;
 - (b) no meaningful communication has occurred with businesses on their disposal of containers, nor commercial agreements put in place, to enable business who generate the bulk of container waste to dispose of containers in an environmentally friendly way;
- (2) Publicly state what the Government intends to do with the additional charges collected from industry and the community that are not dispensed through the scheme; and
- (3) Consider the cost of living impact on consumers of a scheme that is designed to impose operational costs on the beverage industry, who will in turn pass those costs onto consumers.’.