

HR 1686

Trash Reduction Act of 2013

Congress: 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Taxation

Introduced: Apr 23, 2013

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation. (May 1, 2013)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Moran, James P. [D-VA-8]

Party: Democratic • State: VA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Apr 23, 2013
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Apr 23, 2013
Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-3]	D · CA		Apr 23, 2013
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jun 4, 2013
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Jun 4, 2013
Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Jul 19, 2013
Rep. Ellison, Keith [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Jan 8, 2014

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	May 1, 2013
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 23, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Trash Reduction Act of 2013 - Amends the Internal Revenue Code to require retailers to pay a \$0.05 excise tax on each disposable carryout bag provided to a consumer. Defines "disposable carryout bag" to mean a bag of any material, commonly plastic or kraft paper, which is provided to a consumer at the point of sale to carry or cover purchases, merchandise, or items. Exempts reusable bags and certain other bags used for specified purposes from such tax. Allows a refund of such tax for retailers who establish a disposable carryout bag recycling program.

Establishes in the Treasury the Disposable carryout bag Trust Fund to hold tax revenues generated by this Act. Directs the Secretary of the Treasury to make payments from such Trust Fund for the disposable carryout bag recycling program and for the land and water conservation fund established by the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965.

Directs the Comptroller General to report to Congress on the effectiveness of this Act in reducing the use of disposable carryout bags and encouraging recycling of such bags.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **May 1, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation.
- **Apr 23, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 23, 2013:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E511)
- **Apr 23, 2013:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.