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I'm writing to voice my support of the upholding Maine's passage of EPR for Packaging law

EPR for Packaging laws have proven to work all over the world for decades, including the European Union and most of the Canadian provinces. In 2021, Maine was the first State in the United States to pass a similar law.

Large corporations and manufacturers should pay for the cost of recycling their wasteful packaging, much of it plastic. Maine has long been on the forefront of product stewardship laws to safely and effectively dispose of difficult-to-dispose or dangerous products.

Maine has had a goal of recycling 50% of our waste since 1989, but we have never reached it. In fact, we are going backwards. Maine has also set a per-capita disposal rate reduction goal, and that, unfortunately, is increasing. There are many different types of product stewardship policy solutions we can pursue to help reach our goals including the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) laws that hold companies accountable and financially responsible for the waste created by their businesses.