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California Senate - SB270

Legislative Bill Text - http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201320140SB270

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<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation-now/2014/08/29/california-plastic-bag-ban-state-legislature/14785047/>

[California passes plastic bag ban, would be first such law in US](#)

Reuters

SACRAMENTO, Calif. Aug 30 (Reuters) - The California state legislature enacted a ban on plastic grocery bags on Friday near the end of its two-year session, a measure that if signed into law would become the first of its kind in America. A number of cities ...

[California lawmakers pass first US plastic bag ban](#)

Fort Worth Star Telegram

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — California lawmakers have approved a measure that would make the state the first to impose a statewide ban on single-use plastic bags. SB270 cleared the Senate on a 22-15 vote Friday and sent to Gov. Jerry Brown. It was approved...



Plastic Bags To Be Banned Statewide In California

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California plastic bag ban passes Assembly; Senate approval expected

San Jose Mercury News - Aug 29, 2014

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Plastic bag ban approved by Assembly

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Friday Must Reads: Assembly Okays Plastic Bag Ban

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California bag ban heads to Senate

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The California State Assembly voted yes on Thursday to move ahead with SB270, which would call for a statewide ban on single-use plastic bags. If passed by the Senate, California would be the first state in the nation to pass such legislation. The Senate has ...

On second try, California plastic bag ban passes Assembly

Fresno Bee - Aug 28, 2014

Then-Assemblywoman Julia Brownley on Tuesday, June 1, 2010 near a photo of a turtle that was displayed to illustrate the dangers of plastic bags, part of a recurring annual effort to ban the items.

Plastic Bag Ban Coming?

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Sonora, CA — The California Assembly passed legislation that would ban grocery stores from giving out plastic bags. The bill now moves onto the Senate for a vote. It would need to be approved by this weekend, as the legislative session comes to a close on ... \

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SACRAMENTO - The California Assembly has approved legislation that would impose the nation's first statewide ban on single-use plastic bags. SB270 passed on a 44-29 vote Thursday after failing to advance earlier in the week. It now heads to the Senate ...

Bagged: Democrats Vote to Ban Plastic Bags After Union Shift

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Democrats in Sacramento finally passed the plastic bag ban introduced by State Sen. Alex Padilla (D-Pacoima), after a similar vote in the State Assembly failed earlier this week ...



California Assembly approves plastic bags ban bill

Uncover California - Aug 29, 2014

Just days after rejecting the plastic bags ban bill, the California Assembly on Thursday approved the measure to impose a statewide ban on use of single-use plastic bags at grocery and other stores. The state Assembly yesterday passed the Senate Bill 270 ...

California Bag Ban Bill Passes Assembly

waste360 - Aug 29, 2014

A bill to ban plastic shopping bags in California passed the state Assembly Aug. 28 and will advance to the Senate, which is expected to consider the legislation before it adjourns Aug. 31. Senate Bill 270 passed the Assembly ...

California moves closer to banning plastic grocery bags

Reuters - Aug 28, 2014

SACRAMENTO Calif. (Reuters) - Prospects grew for a proposed California ban on plastic grocery bags on Thursday as the state Assembly broadly approved the prohibition after an earlier vote failed to garner enough support in the face of opposition from bag ...

Assembly approves statewide plastic bag ban, Senate to consider amended bill

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Plastic single-use bags are carried past the State Capitol in Sacramento on Aug. 12. The state Assembly approved a statewide single-use plastic bag ban on a 44-29 vote after rejecting the bill earlier in the week. « 1; ». California lawmakers passed a key ...

California Plastic Bag Ban Heads to Senate... Who Will Be Next?

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The California Assembly voted on Thursday, August 28th, to move forward with a statewide ban on single-use plastic bags in California. Just days ago on Monday, August 25th, only 38 of 41 necessary votes were received for this to pass, however seven ...

Assembly approves statewide ban on plastic bags

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California lawmakers passed a key hurdle Thursday in imposing the nation's first statewide ban on single-use plastic bags. Tweet · Pin It.

Plastic Bag Ban Clears Assembly - This Time

Capital Public Radio News - Aug 28, 2014

The second time was the charm for backers of a statewide plastic bag ban in California. The bill passed the Assembly Thursday 44-29 – three days after it fell three votes short on its first try. A grocery workers union's flip in position appears to have been the ...

Plastic bag ban avoids roadblock

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A funny thing happened to the plastic bag ban on its way to the governor's desk ... the California Assembly had second thoughts. Those thoughts were prompted by, no surprise, a change of heart by a union. Specifically, the United Food and Commercial ...

California Assembly Passes Statewide Plastic Bag Ban

Environment News Service - Aug 28, 2014

SACRAMENTO, California, August 28, 2014 (ENS) – The California State Assembly today voted 44-29 to phase out plastic shopping bags across the state. The legislation ...

Plastic Bag Ban Would Phase Out Single-Use Plastic Bags in California ...

California Newswire - Aug 28, 2014

SACRAMENTO, Calif. /California Newswire/ — Today, the Calif. State Assembly approved SB 270 by Senator Alex Padilla (D-Pacoima), Senator Kevin de Leon (D-Los Angeles) and Senator Ricardo Lara (D-Huntington Park/Long Beach). The bill would ...

California State Assembly Approves Plastic Bag Ban

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California could become the first state in the nation to ban single-use plastic bags. (Photo by Keng Susumpow, via Flickr). California looks poised to become the first state in the nation to pass a plastic bag ban. Senate Bill 270, which passed out of the ...

California Assembly OKs statewide ban on plastic bags

The Desert Sun - Aug 28, 2014

California lawmakers passed a key hurdle Thursday in imposing the nation's first statewide ban on single-use plastic bags. Loading... Post to Facebook. California Assembly OKs statewide ban on plastic bags California lawmakers passed a key hurdle ...

California Assembly passes plastic bag ban

European Plastics News - Aug 29, 2014

In its second attempt of the week, the California Assembly approved a bill that would ban single-use plastic bags statewide, the first such ban in the United States. The 44-29 vote in favour of the ban on 28 August came three days after an initial 37-33 vote fell ...

What you need to know about the plastic bag debate

Sacramento Business Journal - Aug 28, 2014

Californians use an estimated 14 billion single-use plastic bags a year, and half of them are never recycled. Environmentalists say that the rest crowd landfills or end up in rivers where they endanger wildlife. Allen Young: Staff Writer- Sacramento Business ...

Plastic bag ban finally passes California Assembly on new vote today

Examiner.com - Aug 28, 2014

SB-270 passed today after being defeated earlier in the week. Supporters see it as a way to prevent harm to wildlife exposed to discarded bags, such as those shown in this picture.

California Assembly OKs statewide single-use plastic bag ban

Supermarket News - Aug 28, 2014

The California Assembly approved a bill Thursday that would ban single-use plastic carryout bags statewide. It is expected to be voted on by the state Senate Friday — the day the legislative sessions ends — and then be sent to Gov. Jerry Brown, who will ...



Union's Blessing Paves Way For Passage of Plastic Bag Ban

KQED (blog) - Aug 29, 2014

An understanding between Safeway and a key union helped pave the way for plastic bag ban. (Justin Sullivan/Getty Images)...

California bag bill secures the vote

Plastics in Packaging - Aug 29, 2014

The California Assembly has approved legislation that would impose a statewide ban on single-use plastics bags, having fallen short earlier in the week of the 41 votes required. The bill was passed on a 44-29 vote yesterday and now heads to the Senate ...

Assembly approves statewide ban on single-use plastic bans

Ventura County Star - Aug 28, 2014

Copyright 2014 Scripps Media, Inc. All rights reserved. This material may not be published, broadcast, rewritten, or redistributed. In this photo taken Tuesday, plastic single-use bags are carried past the State Capitol in Sacramento. The state Assembly ...

California plastic bag ban finally passes the Assembly.

Monterey County Weekly (blog) - Aug 28, 2014

In the course of about 800 cleanups throughout Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Mateo counties from 2007-2010, Save Our Shores volunteers counted 41,000 littered plastic bags. Posted: Thursday, August 28, 2014 1:34 pm. California plastic bag ban finally ...

Plastic bag ban passes state Assembly vote on second try

Daily Democrat - Aug 28, 2014

SACRAMENTO -- A bill that would ban single-use plastic grocery bags statewide — something California lawmakers have tried and failed to do more than a dozen times before — won approval from the state Assembly on Thursday ...



“Stronger regulation at Local level”

The [surge of local plastic bag bans that swept Monterey County this summer](#). Monterey and Carmel already had bans on the books; eight more cities plus [the unincorporated county](#) have followed suit since June.

The reason for the rush: local control. If the governor signs a statewide ban, jurisdictions without existing bans will have to adhere to its language. Local governments are acting fast to get stronger standards grandfathered in.

Those stronger standards boil down to three elements: the \$0.25 (as opposed to \$0.10) paper-bag fee adopted by Gonzales, Greenfield and Monterey; the application of bag bans to smaller stores; and a thicker definition for a “reusable” plastic bag.

Bag thickness is measured by mils, or thousandths of an inch. A typical plastic grocery bag is 0.5 mils. The California Grocers Association supports SB 270’s definition of a reusable bag at 2.25 mils, about the thickness of an Apple Store bag, and opposes Monterey County’s 4-mil standard, like the \$0.99 polypropylene totes sold at Trader Joe’s.

Santa Cruz-based nonprofit Save Our Shores is pushing Monterey and Carmel to amend their local ordinances to the thicker standard, as Santa Cruz County officials recently did. The other local jurisdictions with bans have adopted 4-mil definitions.

“It’s a big deal Monterey [County] is doing this,” SOS Executive Director Laura Kasa says. “We care so much about our [national marine] sanctuary, we’re going a step beyond what our state bill would do.”

http://www.montereycountyweekly.com/news/local_news/monterey-bay-region-becomes-a-stronghold-for-strictest-plastic-bag/article_c88d378e-2e2f-11e4-8ae6-0017a43b2370.html

The *Sacramento Bee* reported separately that plastic bag companies were running television ads in a continuing effort to stop SB 270, the statewide plastic bag restriction bill. See <http://www.sacbee.com/2014/08/04/6604874/plastic-industry-hitting-tv-aga...> Local governments were still moving to pass their own bans in anticipation of a grandfathering provision in SB 270. Monterey County granted initial approval for a plastic bag ban in its unincorporated areas, with the final approval vote set for August 26, per the *Monterey County Weekly* at <http://bit.ly/1qLbHus>. See <http://www.cp-dr.com/node/3481> for details on the grandfathering provision and prior legal and legislative history.

SB270

<http://sd22.senate.ca.gov/news/2014-08-29-release-legislature-votes-ban-single-use-plastic-bags-sb-270-heads-governor>

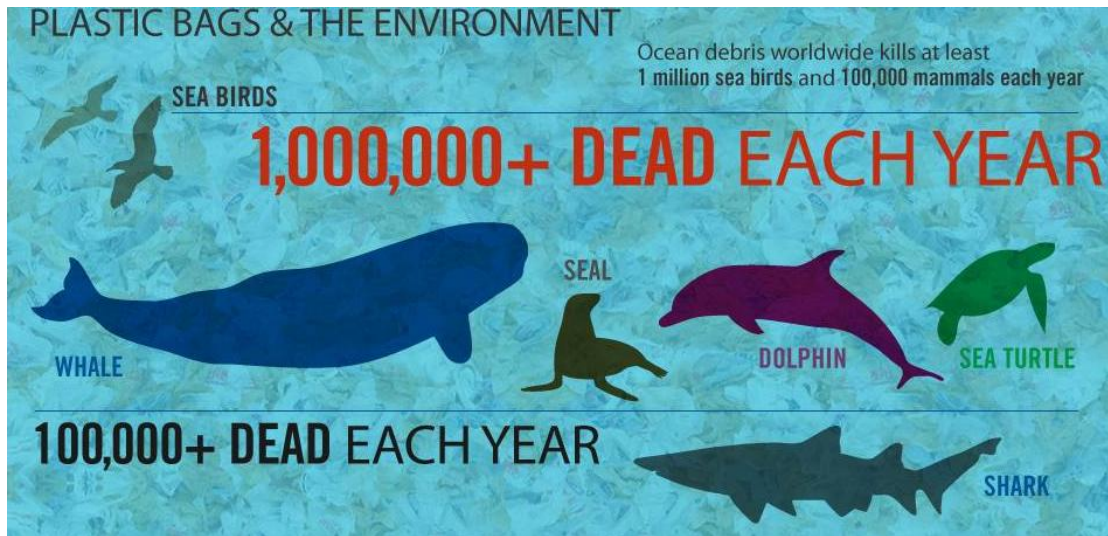
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