**Subject:** National container deposit scheme

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| I wish to add my support to the **CDS.**  I am dismayed by the rubbish on our roadsides, particularly plastic bottles, which have the cap replaced and discarded.  These bottles end up in rivers and oceans, roadsides and beaches, and if put into landfill, **cannot be compacted** and therefore take up huge areas of landfill and the resultant costs to ratepayers  and the environment.    I am also dismayed by the lobbying by soft drink merchants who oppose CDS on the grounds that it will impact negatively on their profits. By my reckoning, their opposition negatively impacts on their responsibilities and therefore their credibility, therefore their sales and profits.    I would gladly pay the extra, knowing that I could reclaim my costs or at least, knowing that someone will claim a benefit  that helps our environment **as South Australia has done for over 30 years!**  I was astonished at the cleanliness of the roadsides and suburbs when I was there last in 1986. We left our empty bottles on the nature strip and they were gone the next morning.    Please introduce the National scheme ASAP.    Stuart Dean |