

## **BILL/ RESOLUTION REQUEST**

**1. Title:** Amend Chapter 48 (Solid Waste) of the Revised Municipal 6 Code to add an Article IX (Disposable Bag Fees).

**2. Requesting Agency:** City Council

**3. Contact Person *with actual knowledge of proposed ordinance***

**Name:**Ortega/Bartleson

**Phone:**

**Email:**

**4. Contact Person *with actual knowledge of proposed ordinance who will present the item at Mayor Council and who will be available for first and second reading, if necessary***

**Name:**

**Phone:**

**Email:**

**5. Describe the proposed ordinance, including what the proposed ordinance is intended to accomplish, who's involved**

**a. Scope of Work**

Amend Chapter 48 (Solid Waste) of the Revised Municipal 6 Code to add an Article IX (Disposable Bag Fees). Ordinance proposes that at retail locations greater than 1,500 square feet in size where greater than 2% of total sales are grocery items; shoppers will be subject to a \$0.05 fee for each plastic and/or paper point of sale bag they carry out the door. A portion of this fee will then be returned to the city to fund an education and outreach program administered by Denver Environmental Health targeted at mitigating the effects of trash associated with single-use bags. This program will also purchase and distribute reusable bags to low-income folks as well as educate Denver shoppers about the environmental impacts of single-use bags, the benefits of reusable bags, and the importance of washing your reusable bags.

**b. Duration**

**c. Location**

**d. Affected Council District**

**e. Benefits**

**f. Costs**

**6. Is there any controversy surrounding this ordinance, groups or individuals who may have concerns about it? Please explain.**

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**Date: 7/18/2013**