

# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE



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## Sectional Analysis

*HB 264 - "An Act relating to a fee for disposable shopping bags; relating to the sale of reusable shopping bags; relating to the recycling of disposable shopping bags; and providing for an effective date."*

**Section 1:** Adds a new section to AS 43.98—Article 5: Disposable Shopping Bag Fees.

AS.43.98.080(a) imposes a fee on single-use plastic bags.

AS.43.98.080(b) outlines plastic bags that do not fall under (a) of this section and so are permitted for use.

AS.43.98.080(c) modifies the state regulations to account for when a city or borough has implemented their own single-use plastic bag regulations.

AS.43.98.080(d-f) outlines the responsibilities of the retailer.

AS.43.98.080(g) imposes a penalty for non-compliance.

AS.43.98.080(h) outlines the dissemination and use of collected fees.

AS.43.98.080(i) applies a carve-out for unincorporated communities and/or communities with populations of less than 5,500 people.

AS.43.98.080(j) defines terms used in this section.

**Section 2:** Adds a new section to AS 46.06.

AS 46.06.145 explains to retailers recycling program requirements for single-use plastic bags and outlines penalties for non-compliance.

**Section 3:** Adds an effective date of January 1, 2019.