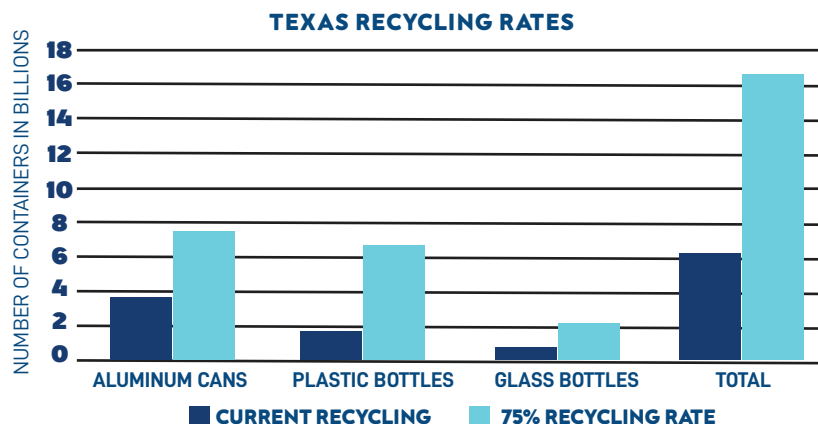


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This policy is intended to provide flexibility for Producers of beverages (i.e., brands) to form a 501c3 and implement a system by which a 75% recycling rate for beverage containers is achieved and maintained.



TEXAS	ALUMINUM	PET	HDPE	GLASS	TOTAL
LOST SCRAP VALUE	\$165,132,213	\$122,606,812	\$67,292,232	\$17,515,824	\$372,425,437

* These scrap values represent the amount of money that could have been made by recycling the wasted beverage containers in 2021. (Container Recycling Institute)

FAST FACTS

- 23,700,406,691 beverage containers were sold in the state in 2021, only 5,251,228,192 of those containers were recycled.
- 50,545,695 beverage containers are wasted in the state every day.
- 878,580,516 plastic water bottles are recycled every year of the 4,627,031,768 sold.

PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY ORGANIZATION RESPONSIBILITIES

Create a 501c3 organization to achieve and maintain a 75% recycling rate (including curbside collection) through convenient redemption modalities and an appropriate refund value. *No state funds are utilized, and no system funds are allocated to the state for non-system functions.*

Set standards and define the process for providing refunds to whoever collects and returns bottles including the public, non-profit organizations, curbside collection programs, etc.

No mandates for retail take-back or distributor participation.

RECYCLING REFUND TRUST FUND

Intended to limit the use of system funds only to the benefit of the system and operational cost of the PRO, including:

1. Funding collection modalities and the processes necessary to site convenient locations for public return of beverages containers.
2. Providing refund value to consumers and entities outside of the PRO that collect and return beverages.
3. Reimbursing entities that provide beverages to the public during disaster declarations.
4. Educating the public about the refund program.

IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE

SEPTEMBER 1, 2026
Commission will adopt rules.

SEPTEMBER 1, 2028
System implementation/
compliance goes into effect.

JANUARY 1, 2035
System meets and maintains
75% recycling rate.

SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONS

