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RE: INQUIRY INTO RECYCLING AND WASTE MANAGEMENT

There are a lot, quite a lot of questions from electors regarding the matter of landfill, runoff, waste, processing our own waste in Australia, the incredible mess with industry regulatory mismanagement and the shocking dire straits this industry is in now. Right now.

The lack of appropriate investment from taxpayer funding (not private public partnerships) and general neglect has resulted in the mess Victoria is now in. This must change.

Was it Einstein who said: you cannot solve a problem with the same thinking that created it. Thinking behind this current waste crisis needs to change.

Global economists can back off because we need to rely on Australian industries in Australia to partake the new paradigm.
And so it's said- clean up your own backyard first mate.

So with this wasteland problem scenario in mind the following areas can begin.

Prevent recyclables going to landfill which will help protect the environment for us now and future Victorian generations.

Invest big time in a sustainable and innovative Victorian recycling industry. Big time \$

Put a value on recyclables. A 10c refund on bottles and cans is the start with further recyclable items added over a 5 year plan to monetise the returning of a myriad of recyclables.

AND

Ban single-use plastics.

And I really would have to insist that the current governing body in this state ACT ACT ACT on the outcome of this Inquiry and not let the electors down because many of us too many are wearing thin. Do not sweep this "rubbish" under the mat any longer.

Thanks 🐾

-- Christina Caleo

I'm happy for my submission and details to be made public.