



PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA
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Community input invited on plastic bag bill

Public submissions are being invited on legislation to restrict the supply and sale of plastic bags in Victoria.

The Victorian Parliament's Environment and Planning Committee is conducting an inquiry into the Environment Protection Amendment (Banning Plastic Bags, Packaging and Microbeads) Bill 2016.

The Committee is seeking community views on the detail of the Bill.

The Bill seeks to restrict the supply and sale of plastic bags and plastic and polystyrene packaging, and would prohibit the supply and sale of plastic microbeads.

"While the inquiry is limited to the Bill rather than seeking to canvas in detail all elements of the issue of plastic bag usage, it is important that the Parliament has a detailed understanding of the implications of the Bill when it is considered early next year," said Committee Chair, the Hon David Davis.

"The Bill, if passed, will have a significant impact on the community and therefore the Committee considers it important that the community has input into the inquiry," he said.

Submissions can be made until 21 October 2016.

The Bill is available from the Victorian Parliament's Bills [webpage](#).

More details on the inquiry are available from the Committee's [website](#).

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