

Please accept the following in opposition to SB 222:

--It goes against foundational American principles to restrict home rule. Municipalities should be able to legislate for themselves.

--It's impractical to take this action now. Ohio will run out of landfill space in 36 years.

--Kroger is moving toward the elimination of plastic bags nationwide. If one of our largest companies and employers is moving away from plastic bags, why would the state government choose to swim against the tide?

--Ohio's demographics don't bode well for our health as a state in the immediate future. We have an aging population. Young people aren't staying. Please don't take action that makes us seem like we're looking toward the past rather than the future. I want this to be a place where my children want to live as adults.