



*December 15th, 2025*

The Honorable Isaac Bryan, Chair  
Assembly Natural Resources Committee  
1021 O Street, Suite 5630  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**AB 333 (Alanis) – Market Development Payments – Non-Container Glass End Users --  
Oppose**

Dear Chair Bryan,

The Glass Packaging Institute (GPI) respectfully opposes AB 333 by Assemblymember Alanis. This bill would utilize Beverage Container Recycling Fund (BCRF) revenues to make market development payments to entities utilizing residual glass for non-container glass end users. t

GPI understands that the goal of the bill is to is to incentivize the use of processed glass, that would otherwise be sent to landfill, as a component in making pozzolan. Unfortunately, that goal is not compatible with promoting the circularity of glass as a recycled material. Properly handled and processed, glass containers from the bottle bill program will become glass containers again as a glass container is infinitely recyclable.

GPI has no issue with pozzolan as end-market for glass fines and other quality levels that cannot be used to make new glass containers in California, however we do not believe it is appropriate to use the BCRF revenues to support those non-packaging end markets for cullet. The BCRF should be prioritized to increase redemption access, expand recovery of higher quality material and improve the infrastructure for circular packaging markets for container glass.

Rather than incentivizing the proper management of glass containers to be used again in glass container manufacturing, this bill will incentivize continued poor management and processing of glass containers by the commingled curbside recycling system. There are already too many incentives that limit the quality of recycled glass in the state , and those need to be reduced rather than expanded.

The glass container industry financially supports the BCRF in the form of processing fees that are utilized to make processing payments to recyclers and the waste industry.

Processing payments combined with CRV, grants, and other payments support the whole recycling program and incentivize the circularity of glass containers. This is the appropriate and expected use of glass processing fees and BCRF revenues. Using glass processing fees and BCRF revenues to subsidize an industry that does not pay into, and is not part of, the Beverage Container Recycling Program runs completely counter to the intent and goal of the Program.

On behalf of GPI, I respectfully request a No Vote on AB 333 when it is heard in committee. We would be more than happy to discuss these views in greater detail as our goal is to improve glass recycling in the state.

Sincerely,



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President

cc: Members, Assembly Natural Resources Committee  
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