

Submission
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**INQUIRY INTO WASTE AVOIDANCE AND RESOURCE
RECOVERY AMENDMENT (PLASTICS REDUCTION)
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Dear sirs, madams

this is a submission for Plastic Dome Shaped Lids to be put on the list of banned plastics. I am writing this submission not only on behalf of myself, but also on behalf of all wildlife that has suffered and perished so far, due to the existence of Plastic Dome Shaped Lids.

I am also writing this submission on behalf of many, many Australians whom do not know that they can write a submission for this, or do not know how, but whom also want this product and all other single use plastics banned!

Completely unnecessarily, so many of our wildlife species have died: caught and/or trapped in these lids, wounded, starving and bleeding to death. And for what reason? Apart from Australians being so lazy that they can't bear to bring their garbage home to dispose of (thoughtfully), and ignorant to their surroundings and our unique and precious flora and fauna, we used to not have these lids and we survived as a human race, and therefore they are completely unnecessary. Flat lids still exist, and other non-lethal options as well.

It's just another of many, many problems the fast food industry has put upon us! A problem that doesn't deteriorate for 450 years before completely broken down to microplastics, another problem for our wildlife and flora and even for us as well, as microplastics end up in our food and drinking water, then ending up in our bodies and then creating illnesses and diseases! It is happening already, as humans have been throwing their garbage away on roads, streets, in parks and forests and beaches for decades!! Plastics don't belong in human and animal bodies, yet it is costing us unnecessary amounts in healthcare!!!

The fast food industry NEVER thinks of the environment and flora and fauna when they invent and introduce their products. All they think of is money! Now, if they were to use part of that money and have teams walking along streets, roads (rural and suburbial) and in parks and forests and on beaches, tidying up all that gets discarded instead of taken home, then that would be great. Unfortunately, this does not happen!

Garbage bins on streets, in parks, forests and on beaches aren't big enough, there aren't enough of them or are not there, period! And for some reason, we have failed to teach and educate three of the most simple things to the past (two) generations: about tidying up behind themselves and what is right and wrong!!

As you will be introducing a bill on the ban for single use plastics, Plastic Dome Shape Lids belong on it as well. Queensland failed to add them on their first round, but you have the power and possibility to be a leader, giving the right example and to introduce this ban right, in one go. Not then having to waste money, time and energy for a second round!

Australians want this, for our unique wildlife, and flora, and for future generations. Well, at least those who have raised and will raise their children, grandchildren etc., the right way.

Governments must represent the majority of citizens and lead by example!

Please check out the following:

<http://chnng.it/w82TGW9TDp> and <https://www.aws.org.au/snip-rings-for-wildlife/>

to understand what Australians want and think. I'm sure you can think of that yourselves, but these organisations don't exist for nothing!

Please do the right thing, please lead by example and please show you care for our unique wildlife and flora, both of whom are doing it so tough due to past governments who didn't care, but whom we all both need to survive on this endangered planet!