

**SENATE  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
NINETY-THIRD SESSION**

**S.F. No. 3541**

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02/12/2024	11555	Introduction and first reading Referred to State and Local Government and Veterans

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to local government; removing prohibition on banning merchant bags;
- 1.3 repealing Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 471.9998.
- 1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.5 Section 1. **REPEALER.**
- 1.6 Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 471.9998, is repealed.

**471.9998 MERCHANT BAGS.**

Subdivision 1. **Merchant option.** All merchants, itinerant vendors, and peddlers doing business in this state shall have the option to provide customers a paper, plastic, or reusable bag for the packaging of any item or good purchased, provided such purchase is of a size and manner commensurate with the use of paper, plastic, or reusable bags.

Subd. 2. **Prohibition; bag ban.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no political subdivision shall impose any ban upon the use of paper, plastic, or reusable bags for packaging of any item or good purchased from a merchant, itinerant vendor, or peddler.