

**House File 234 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the reimbursement amount paid to dealers  
2 or persons operating redemption centers who redeem empty  
3 beverage containers.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 455C.2, subsection 2, Code 2015, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. In addition to the refund value provided in subsection  
4 ~~1 of this section~~, a dealer, or person operating a redemption  
5 center who redeems empty beverage containers or a dealer agent  
6 shall be reimbursed by the distributor required to accept the  
7 empty beverage containers an amount which is ~~one-cent~~ two cents  
8 per container. A dealer, dealer agent, or person operating a  
9 redemption center may compact empty metal beverage containers  
10 with the approval of the distributor required to accept the  
11 containers.

12 EXPLANATION

13 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
14 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

15 This bill increases the reimbursement amount received by  
16 a dealer or person operating a redemption center who redeems  
17 empty beverage containers from 1 cent per container to 2 cents  
18 per container. The reimbursement amount, commonly referred  
19 to as a handling fee, is paid by the distributor who collects  
20 the beverage containers from the dealer or person operating a  
21 redemption center.