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Republic Services is headquartered in Arizona, a state without a bottle and can beverage deposit system. Bills were introduced in Arizona Legislature in 2008, 2013 and January 2025 to create a statewide container deposit program. Those efforts failed due to pressures against it by Republic Services.

Susan Collins, president of the Container Recycling Institute said the public and environmental organizations "won't be able to overcome the opposition from the more powerful industries: the beverage companies and the state's (Arizona) waste haulers." Benton County residents should not be subject to the same adverse opposition to environmental concerns demonstrated by Republic Services, a Fortune 500 company ranking 266th with \$16 billion in revenue for fiscal year 2025.

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