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To whom this may concern,

My name is Jessica Chadwell, a student of the Sharon Academy and a resident of Stockbridge, Vermont. Particularly as a student I feel constantly bombarded with the issues past generations have created, perhaps unknowingly at first. Climate change is number one of the list of the most pressing problems of today, and ironically, it is also number one on the list of problems that we as inhabitants can prevent. It is unfortunate but true that many of us need incentive to do the right thing, the Bottle Bill gave an incentive for tens of thousands of residents to recycle, and in turn it has protected the beautiful state that we are a part of. By eradicating the Bottle Bill we are willingly allowing ourselves to relapse back into old habits, and I am absolutely appalled that this is considered a viable option. We have already committed what might be irreparable damage to our home, and we are also responsible for becoming part of the solution. We cannot afford to be selfish anymore.

Jessica Chadwell