

## VERMONT

Vermont is the smallest of the states considered in the current research. Its existing bottle bill already sees high redemption rates at 76%, although this number is outdated and may be an overestimate. Still, the system does not include bottled water and has a low deposit fee of only \$0.05 for most included containers. More than 200 million beverage containers are wasted in the state every year. Concerns of fraud exist, but a lack of supporting data makes it tough to determine the scope.

A bill has been proposed that would expand coverage of the system to include non-carbonated beverages, but advocates indicate a veto-proof majority will be needed to override a likely veto from the governor should the bill pass.

### Beverage Containers included in DRS: Current vs Modernized

