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-----Original Message----- From: ent: Thursday, 16 August 2018 5:28 p.m. To: Wastefree Subject: Submission on the proposed mandatory phase out of single-use plastic shopping bags Dear Hon. Eugenie Sage While I agree with the basic argument to ban single use plastic bags I believe there should be exemptions. It is not practical to wrap meat and fish in anything but plastic. I grow thousands of native plants and herbs and sell at markets. Wet dirty plants are not suitable for transporting in paper or material bags. I believe the emphasis should be on responsible use of plastic bags and you in Government should be Putting your efforts into education and recycling plastic bags instead a waving a big stick. That is not good Government. Yours sincerely, Ralph Allen