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ALOA Waste Levy Position

- 1.** Waste levies should only be introduced when they are part of a clearly articulated waste 'strategy' and should be put in place for at least five years.
- 2.** Waste levies should only be varied as part of a waste 'strategy' review and not without at least six months notice.
- 3.** Waste levies should not be differentiated by waste type (other than for hazardous waste where identification can be supported by accompanying documentation) or waste origin.
- 4.** Waste levies should be 'state' wide (in order to avoid boundary disputes).
- 5.** Waste levies should be reduced in direct proportion (by weight) for all waste genuinely recycled (for clarity this also means producing a product for sale or use in the landfill - e.g. daily cover - and includes creation of electricity or a heat supply landfill gas to a power station or brickworks.)
- 6.** Waste levies should not be due on waste subject to a 'bad debt'.
- 7.** Waste levies should be noted on invoices (in order to convey the extent of the levy to the waste generator)
- 8.** Waste levies should not be utilised to fund landfill infrastructure (in order that early initiators are not disadvantaged).