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Public money should be used for genuine recycling and recovery, not supermarket subsidies. Since the levy comes from all of us, it must deliver real environmental outcomes rather than private profit. Communities are already paying their share, so supermarkets should not receive special treatment. To succeed, the scheme needs innovation; without it, we risk repeating past failures. Governance also has to change, as the SPSA board is dominated by the same companies responsible for creating the problem. Independent voices must be given real influence. Without these changes, the scheme risks becoming greenwash — more about PR than progress.