

*Metroland Letters to the Editor*

## **How does reduced garbage pickup create less garbage**

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To the editor:

Can somebody explain to me how restricting how much garbage will be picked up can reduce the amount of garbage created

First, there is a limit to the number of bags a household can put out on Tuesday morning and now there is a plan to collect garbage only every second week.

I can only do so much to control the amount of garbage imposed on me. Manufacturers and retailers continue to fill our garbage cans with their non-recyclable over-packaging.

With reduced garbage collection, am I to accumulate it in my garage, sneak out in the middle of the night and dump it illegally Should I take it to work or put it out at my neighbour's curb

One way or another, it still ends up in the landfill or the incinerator. I already compost, recycle and refuse bags from retailers. Perhaps we need to begin to undo the packaging at the store and leave it on their counter. That way the message will get back to the manufacturers.

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