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I oppose LD 1679 / SP 550 "An Act To Establish the Maine Climate Change Council To Assist Maine To Mitigate, Prepare for and Adapt to Climate Change".

Good afternoon,

This bill was studied extensively by Maine People Before Politics. A quote by Julie Rabinowitz, Director of Policy and Communication is as follows: "Maine contributes only .3 percent of our nation's carbon dioxide emissions. Putting greenhouse gas reduction targets in statute will not mitigate any environmental changes in the Gulf of Maine in the short term. Rather than creating this slush fund to study every possible facet of climate change, the priority should be on protecting or mitigating documented, imminent threats to our economy, coastal communities and environment. The Governor's proposal is not about priorities or balance or putting Mainers first, it's about giving control over to special interests."

This administration is developing a solution to a problem that Maine does not have, or really even contribute to. It looks to be a waste of our taxpayer money based on partisan politics.

Once again, I oppose LD 1679 / SP 550 "An Act To Establish the Maine Climate Change Council To Assist Maine To Mitigate, Prepare for and Adapt to Climate Change".