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**Subject:** ACF - LD 199, 620, 723 Public Hearings Week of 2.25.19 - Testimonies

Dylan Sinclair: Can you please distribute this to the Joint Standing Committee members? Thank you.

Senators and Representatives of the ACF:

Please consider the following bills:

**(NO) LD 199 An Act To Create the Water Resources Planning Committee** - This has already been done many times, and it has failed every time at the expense of Maine the its citizenry. Any board, committee, commission, or cabinet created by the state through statutes often are permitted to appoint subcommittee members and consultants appointments as well as solicit and collect funds from the very entities that induced the necessity for these types of bills to be written. We currently have two water bottling managers of the largest company on the planet (*who has monopolized this state, pays 1/10th what they should for Maine's resource, spreads propaganda, forces its start-up costs and negative externalities onto the backs of small rural towns, and basks in subsidies and dangerous tax schemes offered by the state*) consuming two government positions (MDWP/BEP) on this proposed committee with a space still allotted for a 3rd corporate agent under section 2c. If the entities who cause the damage, cause the risk, exploit our citizenry, and embarrass this state with inequitable one-sided relationships (*industrial synthetic food, industrial synthetic drugs, industrial resource mining, etc.*) are allowed to influence the outcome of legislative policy to meet their profit and risk models and to reinforce market domination, then these types of initiatives have no integrity or worth.

**(YES) LD 620 An Act Regarding Licensing of Land-based Aquaculture Facilities** is a competent and reasonable structural reform that begins to acknowledge that the State of Maine has long failed to establish any prudent or responsible parameters of scale that assure health and equity for Maine and its citizenry, and that this failure in defining a scale tolerance for this state has subjected Maine and its citizenry to an increased frequency of abuse and exploitation by foreign corporate consumption and resource predators.

**(YES) LD 723 An Act To Enhance Resource Management of Submerged Lands beneath Impounded Waters** is a competent and reasonable structural reform that begins to acknowledge that the State of Maine has long failed to establish any prudent or responsible parameters of scale that assure health and equity for Maine and its citizenry, and that this failure in defining a scale tolerance for this state has subjected Maine and its citizenry to an increased frequency of abuse and exploitation by foreign corporate consumption and resource predators.

Please **OPPOSE** LD 199 and **SUPPORT LD 620 and LD 723**. I respectfully ask that you to evaluate and vote on the risks as well as the merits of these bills, not in response to coercion by respective political party hierarchies. When decisions are based on political threats from one's own party handlers rather than on merit, the value of legal public hearings and of the legislative purpose afforded by our state constitution are undermined.

Thank you,