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To: The Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology

Re: Testimony of ReWild Renewables on LD 1710 - An Act To Require Prompt and Effective Use of the Renewable Energy Resources of Northern Maine

ReWild is a local developer, owner, and operator of community solar and energy storage projects. We support the Act To Require Prompt and Effective Use of the Renewable Energy Resources of Northern Maine (LD 1710). We believe LD 1710 will bring numerous positive impacts to the state of Maine. To name just a few;

1. The bill will create economic development opportunities in northern Maine through the construction of transmission lines and renewable generating facilities.
2. The bill will electrically connect the northern Maine electrical system to the ISO-NE system.
3. The bill will support the state of Maine's renewable energy goals by creating a new opportunity for developers to deploy renewable generating facilities.
4. The electrical generation will be procured through a competitive process, meaning it will benefit Maine ratepayers through low cost energy.

We hope that the Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology agrees that LD 1710 can create numerous beneficial outcomes to Maine ratepayers and citizens, and to the state's renewable energy goals, and we hope that you will strongly consider passing LD 1710 through committee this session.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide comments and welcome any follow up questions.

Sincerely,

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