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**Testimony of Meghan Russo
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Before the 131th Legislature, Joint Standing Committee on Transportation**

Neither For Nor Against

LD 1122

Resolve, to Rename Bridges in the Town of Cornish

Senator Chipman, Representative Williams and distinguished members of the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation, I am Meghan Russo, Legislative Liaison for the Maine Department of Transportation. MaineDOT is neither for nor against LD 1122, *Resolve, to Rename Bridges in the Town of Cornish*.

MaineDOT considers the naming of bridges, roadways, and other state transportation infrastructure to be within the purview of the Legislature. Simply put, we build them and you name them. Accordingly, we generally do not take positions on so-called “naming bills.” However, we do submit written testimony regarding whether the particular infrastructure under consideration has been named before, and if so what those name(s) are. In this case, we are not aware of any previous legislatively-sanctioned names for these bridges. MaineDOT’s current inventory numbers for these structures are 3859, 3024, and 3025.

We hope this information is helpful. Thank you.

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