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Dear members of the Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Committee,
Both of my adult children and I teach outdoor science, nature and ecology with students. My daughter in Freeport takes her 2 year old preschoolers outside almost daily year round. My son teaches young children outside in his village in Ladakh, India. He and his partner also recently shared outdoor teaching methods with teachers of all ages students in the large city of Kargil, Ladakh. I volunteer doing outdoor science activities at Woodside Elementary School in Topsham. At Cathance River Educational Alliance summer camp, I am a volunteer naturalist helping excited kids identify mammal droppings, minerals, salamanders, frogs and turtles by species. The huge variety of living things, and weather, while using ones' bodies helps kids focus, develop their curiosity and enjoy learning.