pamela bosco south portland LD 2077

Dear Senator Lawrence, Representative Zeigler, and members of the Energy, Utilities, and Technology Committee,

My name is Pamela Frances Bosco, and I am a resident of South Portland. I am testifying in favor of LD 2077 because Maine's fracked gas distribution system poses risks to ratepayers, public health, and our climate. LD 2077 would address these risks by prohibiting expansion of gas services into municipalities outside current gas utility service areas by January 2025 and prohibiting utility cost recovery from ratepayers for new gas service lines. The bill also directs the state to investigate the costs to gas customers of gas system expansion; impacts to health and indoor air quality of fossil fuel combustion; and opportunities to redeploy Maine's existing gas infrastructure and workforce into geothermal heat districts.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please vote 'ought to pass' on LD 2077. Sincerely,

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