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Dear Committee Members,

It is clear we are in a climate crisis, one due in significant part to fossil fuel use. The myth of "natural" gas being clean has been debunked. It is contributing to flooding, drought, heat waves, storm surges, loss of snow, invasive species, loss of crops, and adverse health effects here in Maine. Globally it is creating economic and political instability, causing mass migration and conflicts.

Mainers cannot afford to pay for the development of infrastructure which is fast becoming obsolete. No one should be forced to pay for bringing the carcinogen benzene into their home and kitchen. As I physician I see this as a public health issue. Please support Maine's climate initiatives and lead us into the rapidly approaching future by voting "ought to pass" on LD 2077