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LD 2007

Dear Honorable Members of the Judiciary Committee,

My name is Barbara Kates. I live in Bangor in Penobscot territory. I am writing in support of LD 2007 and in support of the ability of Wabanaki tribes to act on their inherent sovereignty here in their homeland. It is time for our state to remove the obstacles to self-determination, created so that the state can control the tribes. We can see in other parts of the country how everyone benefits from tribal self determination. We cannot fully correct the wrongs of the past, but we can stop the continuing harm now and work towards a better future.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
Barbara Kates