

**To:** Sen. Carney, Rep. Moonen, and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary

**From:** Lucy Quimby, 1230 Kenduskeag Ave, Bangor, 04401 concerned citizen

**Re:** Support for LD 2007, An Act to Advance Self-determination for Wabanaki Nations

Sen. Carney, Rep. Moonen and members of the Judiciary Committee, my name is Lucy Quimby and I live in Bangor. I am here to testify in support of LD 2007.

**Testimony:** (Make your case for LD 2007 here. See above for tips for effective testimony.)

**Closing:** Thank the committee members and succinctly summarize your take-home message.

## Writing your testimony

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- **Make it personal.** Testimony is most effective when it's personal. Why is restoring tribal self-governance important to you? We know that when the Wabanaki thrive, all Mainers thrive. How might you, your family, and your community benefit from LD 2007? Use specific examples.
- **Be specific.** You don't need to address everything in the bill, but you should highlight a few key elements about what the legislation would accomplish and why it's needed. Need a little background? Find it in our [LD 2007 FAQ](#).
- **Keep it brief.** Your testimony should be brief, about a page long, and to the point. Select an issue you feel most strongly about and show the committee why it matters to you. Speak from your heart.
- **Still not sure where to start?** Take a look at our [LD 2007 Talking Points](#) for ideas.
- **Go the distance.** After you've submitted your testimony, email a copy to your legislators. Find them and their contact information in the [Maine Voter Lookup](#). Share your testimony with Gov. Janet Mills. [Find her contact info here](#). You can also rework your testimony as a letter to the editor. Find out how to do that in our [LTE Guide](#).
- **Use our template.** Find [a template below](#) for information to include at the beginning and end of your written testimony

