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Testimony of the Maine Municipal Association (MMA)

*LD 138, An Act to Exempt Airports from Certain State
Endangered and Threatened Speis Habitat Protections*

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Senator Tepler, Representative Doudera and distinguished members of the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, my name is Amanda Campbell and I am submitting placeholder testimony for LD 138 on behalf of the Maine Municipal Association.

MMA's 70-member Legislative Policy Committee (LPC) is tasked with debating and voting on positions for bills with a municipal impact. Since the LPC meets for the first time on January 30th, I will provide additional testimony after an official position has been established.

As drafted, LD 138 would certainly impact municipal airport operations. I anticipate that municipal airport officials, with lived experience in this area, will provide community-specific testimony.

Thank you for your patience and consideration of the municipal perspective.