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LD 511

My name is Aitana Blevins and I live in Auburn, Maine. I moved here from NC after graduating from college to start my first job. I love living in Maine and all the outdoor opportunities it provides. I love to run, bike, and walk and would love to have more safe places to do so, away from motor vehicles. I frequently use the off-road portions of the Eastern Trail. I love how I can park in different areas of Maine, go for a run, and then enjoy different towns each time I use the trail. I imagine a brighter future where more towns in Maine can have a trail system like the Eastern Trail. I would love to use this system to bike and run in all towns between Portland and Auburn.

I urge the Transportation Committee to vote in support of LD 511. An interim trail from Portland to Auburn would improve public health, protect the environment, connect to public transit, and provide options for people who don't drive, or simply want to drive less. Please vote "ought to pass."