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**Maine Indoor Air Quality Council Testimony in Support of LD 100: An Act to Increase the Expenditure Limit for the Informal Bidding Process for the Selection of Professional, Architect and Engineer Service**

*The Maine Indoor Air Quality Council (“MIAQC” or the “Council”) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to creating healthy, productive, and environmentally sustainable indoor environments in Maine through education, communications, and advocacy. We are a membership organization of diverse professionals who design, construct, operate, maintain, investigate and remediate buildings of all types, including public health and environmental health professionals and practitioners.*

Senator Baldacci, Representative Salisbury and members of the State and Local Government Committee:

The Maine Indoor Air Quality Council is pleased to offer our support of LD 100. Raising the expenditure limit for the informal bidding process means facilities can promptly access professional support to address issues that impact the healthfulness of an indoor environment. This is necessary to address issues that require more immediate attention than the formal bidding process allows, such as repairs to critical HVAC systems, or resolving mold and moisture problems before occupant health is impacted.

The Maine Indoor Air Quality Council can be available for the work session to answer any questions or provide further comment.

Respectfully submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Christine G. Crocker'.

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