Stephen Patriquen PORTLAND LD 511 Dear legislators

I live in Portland's North Deering, off Allen Avenue and near the Falmouth border. There are many places I would like to cycle to, but the traffic is too busy, the roads too narrow, there are no cycle lanes and there are no quiet alternative routes.

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."